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# Welcome to Willunga Catholic Parish

Mary of Galilee, Aldinga; St Peter's, Normanville; St Joseph's, Willunga (Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)

#### **SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A**

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# WILLUNGA CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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#### **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

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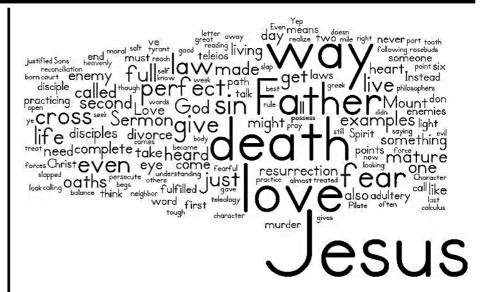
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#### **MASS CENTRES**

- Mary of Galilee, cnr Quinliven and How Roads, ALDINGA - Galilee
- St Peter's, Cape Jervis Road, NORMANVILLE
- St Joseph's, St Judes St, WILLUNGA

#### **MASS TIMES**

- SATURDAY EVENING 5.30pm Aldinga Beach (Mary of Galilee)
- FIRST, THIRD, FIFTH SUNDAYS 8.30am Willunga (St Joseph's) 10.30am Normanville (St Peter's)
- SECOND, FOURTH SUNDAYS 8.30am Normanville (St Peter's 10.30am Willunga (St Joseph's)



#### **FIRST READING**

Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: 'Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy.

"You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord."

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** *Ps 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13*

The Lord is kind and merciful.

#### **SECOND READING**

1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it: if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because

the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are; or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 1 Jn 2:5

Alleluia, alleluia! Whoever keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of God. Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

Matthew 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

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#### **BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES**

Please contact the Parish Office

#### RECONCILIATION

- Aldinga: Saturday 5.00 5.20pm
- Normanville: Second and fourth Sundays at 8.10am
- Willunga: to be organised Reconciliation always available at St Luke's, Noarlunga every Saturday at 9.00am.

#### **ROSARY**

10.00am before 10.30am Masses at Normanville. 9.30am on Fridays in the Chapel at Galilee, Aldinga.

#### **QUIET PRAYER**

Each day at Willunga for 30 minutes at 7.00am and 5.00pm. All welcome.

#### **CEMETERY CURATORS**

- St Joseph's, Willunga Martin Morgan (0417 851 902)
- St Peter's, Normanville -Peter Bohnsack (0400 525 690)

#### **FIRST FRIDAY MASSES**

St Joseph's, Willunga - 9.00am St Peter's, Normanville - 12.00noon

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

Galilee Learning Centre	8557 9000
St John the Apostle	8382 2064
All Saints Primary	8327 0020
Cardijn College	8392 9500
Marcellin Tech College	8186 9700

#### **PLAYGROUP**

Monday mornings 9.00am - 10.30am in Shared Space, Stage 1, Galilee School, Aldinga. Co-ordinator - Melanie Wilson (8557 9000)

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Meetings held twice monthly - every second Monday of month and the Monday, two weeks later, both at 9.30am. Meetings: Aldinga Community Centre, Stewart Road, Aldinga. Contact: Vinnies-Willunga@svdpsa.org.au

#### MARY OF GALILEE HOUSEKEEPING TEAM

Feel free to contact any member of the committee about issues in the Aldinga community - Fr Josy (8382 1717), David Manders (8556 5667), Francoise and Ken Creevey (8557 6287), Mario Bacchin (8323 9909), Judi Driscoll (0428 310 548).

#### **GALILEE OP SHOP**

How Road, Aldinga. Open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9.30am - 3.00pm Phone: 0474 107 694



# REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES (or COMMUNION SERVICES)

Mon No Masses in Willunga Parish

9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue 9.15am - Aldinga
Wed 9.00am - Willunga
Thur 9.00am - Willunga
Fri 9.00am - Willunga
1st Fri Normanville: 11.50am

Adoration; 12noon - Mass (followed by shared lunch)

# ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES 26 February, 2020



9.15am Mar 6.00pm St P 7.00pm St Jo

Mary of Galilee, Aldinga St Peter's, Normanville St Joseph's, Willunga

#### **LENT**

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Season of Lent, is a day of fast and abstinence that is meant to free us from all that binds, leading us to a conscious solidarity with the poor of the world, as we begin our Lenten journey.

#### What is Fasting and Abstaining?

Fasting is recommended for Catholics between the ages of 18 and 60 years, unless they have particular health requirements or are sick. Fasting is about being more alert, through limiting sensibly our intake of daily food. It helps us to heighten our senses and consciousness (as the monks in the desert discovered centuries ago), to aid our prayer, to enable us to recognise the deeper desires of our mind and heart, so that we can listen to God's action more readily in our lives.

Abstinence from meat is for Catholics between the ages of 14 and 60, unless they have particular health requirements or are sick. We are to abstain from meat only on ASH WEDNESDAY and on GOOD FRIDAY. However, you could choose to do this every Friday of Lent as a penitential practice to be in solidarity with the poor – but this is not required by the Church.

#### **PROJECT COMPASSION**

is a practical means of enabling us to reach out in generosity to those in need, while demanding of us some personal sacrifice. Boxes or Envelopes are available in the Church Foyer.

#### LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKS

Lenten Reflection books are available (free-of-charge) from the Church Foyer today. They are ideal for personal reflection or for group discussion.

#### PICNIC AND CELEBRATION

All parishioners are invited to a shared picnic lunch in Kelly Grove at St Joseph's, Willunga to help celebrate Fr Tom's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday this weekend, (after 10.30am Mass at Willunga). BYO drinks. Tea and coffee will be provided. For more details please contact Sr Margaret Ann or Gael Maloney.

#### STATIONAL MASS

In the Adelaide Archdiocese, the tradition of celebrating Lenten Stational Masses provides an opportunity for the faithful in parishes in each Deanery cluster to come together with Archdiocesan leaders and local clergy to share the Lenten journey. Conscious of walking in the footsteps of Jesus, communities have a chance to meet, to pray, to celebrate the Eucharist and to be mindful of the needs of the wider community as we prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of Easter.

The tradition of celebrating Stational Masses echoes a practice in the early Church where the Pope, as Bishop of Rome, would walk in pilgrimage to all the stational churches of the city to mark the season of Lent with his people.

The Stational Mass is also an opportunity to present candidates, already baptised, who are seeking full communion with the Catholic Church. If there are any candidates for full communion to be presented, the Commentator briefly informs the Assembly that some people from the deanery who are preparing to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church will be presented to Fr Philip Marshall after the homily.

This year the Stational Mass for the Southern Deanery will be celebrated at St Luke's Church, Noarlunga Downs on Thursday, 5 March at 7pm. All parishioners of the Deanery are invited to attend.

#### **CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMUNITY**

Christian Life Community explores how God is moving in our daily lives, where we are being called to serve, and how we can grow in closeness to Jesus in prayer. It is based on the spirituality of St Ignatius. Everyone is welcome.

# **Bulletin Board**



We meet on the second and fourth Monday each month at 3.30pm in Galilee Chapel, Aldinga. For further information - Peter Laffan (8556 3915 or impe@internode.on.net).

Peter Laffan

## LENTEN CONTEMPLATIVE STUDY GROUP

The Parish as a School of Discipleship

This group will explore the First of the Eight Gospel Pathways - "The Parish is a prayerful community in which each member is called to a personal relationship with Jesus."

• Mary of Galilee Community Room • cnr Quinliven and How Roads, Aldinga 7.00pm Tuesdays

(3, 10, 17, 24, 31 March, 7 April) To register please contact Peter Laffan (impe@internode.on.net or 8556 3915). Peter Laffan

#### THE KEY TO PEACE

A truck driver, in a hurry, pulled into a parking spot without much care, jumped out of his car, and ran into a shop. A moment later another driver came out of the shop, and when she got to her car, she saw that she couldn't open the driver door because the truck had parked too close to her car. Furious at the inconsiderateness of the truck driver, the woman climbed into her car

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from the passenger side, and when she got behind the wheel, she opened her window and ran her key along the truck's door and created a deep, footlong scratch. Satisfied with her revenge, she started her car and drove away. Serves the truck driver right, some might say. He should have been more considerate. Drivers are just so darned selfish these days.

Yes, drivers can be selfish. Some may have good reasons for being distracted and rushed, but others may be just plain rude. But the question for Christians is: Is that for us to judge? "I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you". That is Jesus' advice to us in matters like this.

The woman who sought revenge may have felt a moment's satisfaction that somehow her act set things right, but she will soon find that she made her world smaller and more hostile. Those who choose revenge over mercy will never be at peace. Blessed are the peacemakers.

GPBS eNews



**Clean up Australia Day** is on Sunday 1 March. For more information go to: https://www.cleanup.org.au

ALDINGA Saturday 22 February Saturday 29 February

Welcome Ros Shoumack Christina Tiedge
Commentator Tricia Dundon Tricia Dundon
Readers Heidi Davidson David Manders
Peter Laffan Michelle Cormack
Eucharistic Ministers Judy Seward Christine Jones
Francoise Creevey Denis Jones

NORMANVILLE Sunday, 23 February Sunday, 01 March

Welcome Tim Fleming Peter Lloyd
Commentator/Prayers
Reader Patricia Litvensky
Eucharistic Minister
Church Cleaning Patricia, Walter Litvensky
Park Fogarty
Barbara Kingham
Patricia, Walter Litvensky
Joan and Park Fogarty

**WILLUNGA** Sunday, 23 February Sunday, 01 March Welcome Laurie Cester Marie Andrews Commentary John Hounslow Anna Rogers First Reader John Bruschi Pauleen Hounslow Second Reader Vanda Farrall Ian La Ronde Eucharistic Ministers Steve Maglieri Norman Lee Andrew Beach Andrew Beach Church Cleaning Rebecca Pace Michael Hynes Church Linen Margaret Guley Pauleen Hounslow

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#### PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Val Gater, Bernie Wilkie, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Beth Thomas, Jeff Gray, Tony and Judy Hore

Anniversary: Céline Parkinson



#### WHAT'S ON

Feb 25 Fr Josy returns from leave

Feb 26 Ash Wednesday

Mar 1 First Sunday of Lent

Mar 5 7pm Stational Mass, St Lukes

Mar 8 Second Sunday of Lent

Mar 8 Walk for Life

Mar 9 Adelaide Cup Day

Mar 15 Third Sunday of Lent Mar 22 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Mar 29 Fifth Sunday of Lent

Apr 9 Holy Thursday

Apr 10 School holidays begin

Apr 10 Good Friday

Apr 11 Holy Saturday

Apr 12 Easter Sunday

Apr 25 ANZAC Day

Apr 26 First day School term 2



## COLLECTIONS 15/16 February 2020

First collection \$635.00 Envelopes \$540.00 Unpledged \$244.00

Thanks you for your support. It is much appreciated.



#### **ONE-LINERS**

- A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than the men who mention it.
- My dad died when we couldn't remember his blood type. As he died, he kept insisting for us to "be positive," but it's hard without him.
- The dinner I was cooking for my family was going to be a surprise, but the fire trucks ruined it.
- I just found out I'm colorblind. The diagnosis came completely out of the purple.
- I hope when I inevitably choke to death on gummy bears, people just say I was killed by bears and leave it at that.
- A priest, a minister and a rabbit walk into a bar. The rabbit says, "I think I might be a typo."

Pauleen Hounslow

#### REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple cnr Quinliven and How Roads Saturday 5.30pm Tuesday 9.15am

#### **GOOLWA**

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St Sunday 9.00am Wednesday 9.30am

#### **KINGSCOTE**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, cnr Todd and Giles Streets Sunday 9.30am

#### **NOARLUNGA**

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am

1st Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.15am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
Friday 10.00am

#### **NORMANVILLE**

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am 2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am 1st Friday 11.50am Adoration, 12.00 noon Mass

#### **PENNESHAW**

St Columba, North Terrace (shared with Anglicans) 1st Sunday 3.15pm

#### **SEAFORD**

Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd Sunday 10.45am Wednesday 9.15am

#### VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am
1st Friday Benediction following Mass

#### **WILLUNGA**

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am 2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am Wednesday 9.00am Thursday 9.00am Friday 9.00am (Continued from page 1)

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

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# FIRST COMMUNITY DAY 2020



Grief, the Environment and Jesus

You are invited to a Day of Reflection

Date: Sunday, March 1

Place: St Joseph's Parish Hall, St

George's Street, Willunga

Time: 9.30am - 3.00pm

(You may wish to join in the Parish Mass in St Joseph's at 8.30am)

Please bring something to share for lunch and morning tea. Tea and coffee provided. All are welcome.

Any queries, please contact:

Clare - clarealiceh@gmail.com or

Fr Tom - tegleeson@bigpond.com

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#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

• 'An eye for an eye; a tooth for a tooth.' This notion of justice and retribution from the Old Testament is often misunderstood. Rather than a dire punishment aimed at vengeance, it is in fact a way of limiting retribution. In effect, Old Testament law on this point says that you may not extract more punishment than was inflicted.

- In Jesus' time, a Roman soldier had the right to command any man to carry his kit one mile but no further.
- Tax collectors were reviled by the Jews because they cooperated with the Romans and collected Roman taxes on their behalf. Because of their association with Gentiles, they were considered unclean.

#### **EXPLORING THE WORD**

This gospel continues the theme of going beyond what is required by law, but here Jesus takes the teaching much further. More than honouring the spirit of the law over the letter of the law, Jesus advocates what must have sounded like the ravings of a mad man to his hearers: don't just allow a person to strike you once; offer him the other cheek as well. If asked, don't just give away your tunic; give your cloak as well! Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you. What was Jesus thinking?

It is the final verse of this text that gives us the clue to the meaning of this demanding passage. In essence, what Jesus is saying is that believers must emulate God's own actions. God is a God of total self-giving. God is a God of unbounded generosity, even to those who may not seem to deserve such magnanimity. God is a God whose love and self-giving embrace all, both the honest and the dishonest. The offer of the kingdom of heaven is open to all who seek to be God-like in their dealings with others.

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### THIS WEEK'S READINGS (24 February - 01 March)

- *Monday, 24:* Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29)
- *Tuesday, 25:* Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37)
- *Wednesday, 26*: Ash Wednesday (Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)
- *Thursday*, *27*: Thursday, after Ash Wed (Deut 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25)
- *Friday, 28:* Friday, after Ash Wed (Is 58:1-9; Mt 9:14-15)
- *Saturday, 29:* Saturday, after Ash Wed (Is 58:9-14; Lk 5:27-32)
- *Sunday 30:* FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11)

#### **PASTORAL CARE**

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know. Contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).