



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)

26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

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## PARISH OFFICE

If you need to contact the Office, please ring 0447 421 948 or 0488 287 552 if there is no-one in the Office to take your call.

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## PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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- Bob Daly (Parish Finance Officer - 0416 156 213, [dalybc@inet.net.au](mailto:dalybc@inet.net.au))

## MASS CENTRES

- Mary of Galilee, cnr Quinliven and How Roads, ALDINGA - Galilee
- St Peter's, Cape Jervis Rd, 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

*Ezekiel 18:25-28*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust?'

When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 24:4-9*

*Remember your mercies, O Lord.*

## SECOND READING

*Philippians 2:1-11*

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to

be better than yourself, So that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Jn 10:27*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 21:28-32*

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your  
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September is Catholic Charities month

## PARISH MASSES

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon No Masses - Willunga Parish  
9.00am - Noarlunga  
Tue 9.15am - Aldinga  
Wed 9.00am - Willunga  
12.00noon - Normanville  
Thur 9.00am - Willunga  
Fri 9.00am - Willunga

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There is no need to book for Galilee or St Joseph's. BOOKINGS are STILL REQUIRED for St Peter's - please phone Dolek Thiele after 2.00pm (0419 844 693).

## COVID MARSHALS

COVID Marshals are required at all our Mass Centres for all events and ceremonies. They count the number of people on site to ensure the Church capacity limit is not exceeded, ensure that parishioners sign on as they enter the Church and that hand sanitiser is readily available. They will also remind people, if necessary, to maintain the 1.5 metres physical distance.

## WILLUNGA PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The Parish Finance Council met yesterday. The new Council was installed and the members are: Fr Josy (Parish Priest), Dolek Thiele (Chair), John McPhail (Treasurer), Bob Daly (Finance Officer), Tony Harding (Land Sales Liaison), Martin Morgan (Cemetery) and Thia Van Kuyk.

### Parish purchases

No purchases are to be made without the approval of a member of the Finance Council, who can only give approval after clearing it with the Parish Priest.

## CARERS WEEK (11 - 17 October)

During this week we acknowledge and celebrate carers in our community.

# CATHOLIC CHARITIES

*Putting Compassion Into Action*

Please support the Catholic Charities 2020 Appeal by making a donation. You may donate online at [www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au) or via Catholic Charities Appeal, Reply Paid 912, Adelaide SA 5001.

Donations of more than \$2 are tax deductible.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a Special Collection this weekend for the Catholic Charities Appeal. We know that many of our parishioners have already contributed to this appeal on-line, by phone or by snail mail, but if you would like to donate with cash or cheque, it's not too late. For this weekend there will be an extra collection bowl near those for the First and Second Collections, for donations towards this very worthy appeal.

## CATHOLIC MISSION 2020 APPEAL

*(October is World Mission Month)*

The theme of the October Catholic Mission Appeal is inspired by Nehemiah 8:10, "for the joy of the Lord is your strength".

This year our appeal focuses on the work of the Church in Cambodia, reaching out to those who have been affected by disability, whilst supporting work in over 1100 dioceses worldwide and 14 parishes within Australia.

Please support Catholic Mission online [www.catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia](http://www.catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia) via envelopes, or Text GIVE to 0488 854 436 (include your parish name in the notes). For more information contact Tony Johnston – Diocesan Director Adelaide Archdiocese (0407 168 002).

## ORDINATION OF BISHOP OF PORT PIRIE

Bishop-elect Karol Kulczycki SDS will be ordained in Poland on Monday September 29, prior to his installation as Bishop of Port Pirie Diocese on October 28. The Ordination Ceremony will be live streamed on the following website: <https://www.sdsau.com/bishop/>

## TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF CANONISATION OF ST MARY MACKILLOP

The Archdiocese will be hosting a number of events on Saturday, October 17 to mark the 10-year anniversary of St Mary MacKillop's sainthood. Archbishop O'Regan will unveil and bless a new statue of Mary MacKillop in the Cathedral at 10am, a local bus tour led by Sr Patricia Keane RSJ will leave the Cathedral at 11am to visit places of significance to St Mary, and an overnight pilgrimage to Penola will depart Adelaide on Saturday early morning, staying in Mt Gambier and returning on Sunday evening. For more information regarding any of the above events or to book a place on either tour, please contact (8210 8220 or [events@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:events@adelaide.catholic.org.au))

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER VIRTUAL WEEKEND

*'A Beautiful Relationship is a journey from me to we.'*

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Australia invites couples for Australian Worldwide Marriage Encounter Virtual Weekend – Friday October 9 from 6.30pm to Sunday October 11 3.30pm. For more info please visit [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au) or 0409 183 676) Begin or renew your couple/pastoral "ME to WE" journey from the comfort of your home.

## WOMAN AT THE WELL

Val DeBrenni will be facilitating a day of reflection entitled *Woman at the Well* on Saturday, October 10. This is suitable for ALL adults. Registration is essential. For full details: [www.marymackillopadelaide.org.au/event/woman-at-the-well-reflection-day/](http://www.marymackillopadelaide.org.au/event/woman-at-the-well-reflection-day/)

It's got a wooden frame, wooden engine, wooden wheels, and a wooden gas tank. Did he ride it? No, wooden start...



**IS GOD FAIR?**

I have an employee who drives me really crazy. He does nothing I ask him to do; is always late, leaves early, takes endless breaks, follows my directions only when it suits him. Most of the time he does just what he wants to do and is completely ungovernable.

Why don't I just fire this guy? Because, although he does nothing that I ask him to do, he does everything well. He does what needs to be done, and sometimes more than I would every expect of anyone. Though I tear my hair out about his blatant disrespect for my wishes, I have to admit he's the best I've ever seen. He's like the first son in the parable: he says *No* but does *Yes*.

Lots of people say *No* but do *Yes* in the reign of God. They don't go to church, baptise their babies, or live by the Book in the way we would like. They don't seem to worship the same God we do, or any God at all. Yet God has a very different abacus than ours, and the tally may come out better for them than for faithful churchgoers who live by the Book but have no love in their hearts. Is this fair? Not while we are pushing the beads, perhaps. But God doesn't stoop so low as fairness, and all kinds of unlikely people are making their way toward the Kingdom.

Are you more like the first or second son in the parable? Can you forgive the other son?

Conquer judgmentalism! Whenever the little judge pops up in your mind and condemns a fellow traveller, retire it promptly. Watch out for the way the little judge accuses YOU. Show mercy to all, including yourself. "Don't be obsessed with getting your own advantage. Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand".

*GPBS eNews*

**FAIR GAME**

When I taught high school, I spent a number of years coaching a soccer team. Then I became a soccer referee. That was back when I could still run up and down a field for an hour blowing a whistle.

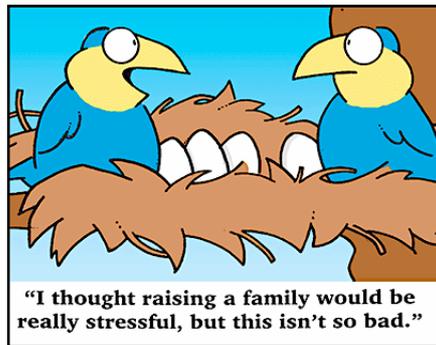
What I liked about the game of soccer and especially about "refing" was that no arguing with the referee was tolerated. If you tried it, the ref would give you a "yellow card," holding it up to your face without speaking a word. It was your only warning. Do it again and he would "red card" you, kicking you out of the game if you were a player or off the field if you were the coach. It was the ref's way only. It taught players patience. It taught them to concentrate on the game and not to blame those officiating for their problems. It taught us all to keep our mouths shut. Consequently, when I became a referee, I took the responsibility to be fair and accurate seriously.

Scripture reminds us that God is just and forgiving. But our actions and our choices make a difference. We can argue all that we want and say what we think needs to be said as we compare ourselves with others. But it is to no avail. God judges us by God's standards and not by our perceptions.

*GPBS eNews*

*The worst time to have a heart attack is during a game of charades.*

*Demetri Martin*



**PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Sick:** Val and George Gater, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Judy Hore, Vence Sulda, Kate Hall, Tilly Kirtland, Arthur Jones, Leonie Zeven, Amy Jasper, Violet Gilli, Colin and Roma Whitford

**DATES**

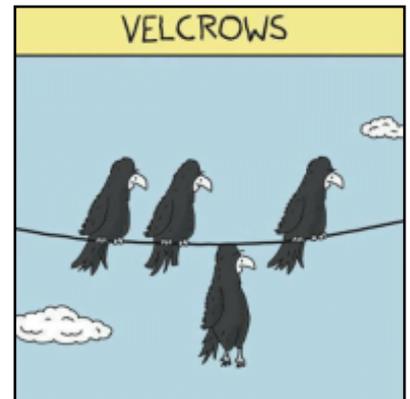
- Sep 27 Workshop - Willunga 11.30am
- Oct 5 Labour Day holiday
- Oct 12 School Term 4 begins
- Nov 1 All Saints' Day
- Nov 2 All Souls' Day
- Nov 11 Remembrance Day
- Nov 22 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
- Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent
- Dec 6 Second Sunday of Advent
- Dec 12 School holidays begin
- Dec 13 Third Sunday of Advent
- Dec 20 Fourth Sunday of Advent
- Dec 25 Christmas Day

**COLLECTIONS**

*For the last two weekends*

- First collection \$407.00
- Second collection \$892.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.



**ROSTERS**

**ALDINGA**

Commentator  
Readers

**Saturday 26 September**

Chris McWilliams  
Christine Jones  
Denis Jones

**Saturday 03 October**

Peter Laffan  
David Manders  
Lilia Parkinson

**NORMANVILLE**

**Sunday, 27 September**

To be advised

**Sunday, 04 October**

To be advised

**WILLUNGA**

Commentator  
Reader  
Church Cleaning  
Church Linen

**Sunday, 27 September**

Wayne Best  
Megan Chapman  
Christina Rasera  
Margaret Guley

**Sunday, 04 October**

Marie Andrews  
Margaret Guley  
Christina Rasera  
Anna Rogers

## COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

*(The following conditions apply for the time being)*

- Attendance for mass is dependent on the 1 in 2 sq.m rule restriction.
- This number also applies for funerals and weddings.
- Except for families and household groups, people should socially distance.
- There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details. Logs are located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- No collection plates or hymn books are to be passed around.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- All surfaces should be cleaned at least daily, with special attention given to frequently touched surfaces.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Offertory procession will be omitted.
- Care should be taking at the dismissal and on leaving the church to minimise social contact.
- The obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

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### VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

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### WILLUNGA PARISH

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opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go," but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir," but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will? 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

### DID YOU KNOW?

- The 'chief priests and elders' are the leaders of the Jewish religious community. They were the ones with training and were learned in the Scriptures. They should have known and recognised what is from God but they are like the son who says 'yes' and fails to carry out God's will.
- Prostitutes and tax collectors are often bracketed together because both were considered 'sinners': prostitutes for their sexual behaviour and tax collectors because they cooperated with the Roman authorities and cheated their own people.

### EXPLORING THE WORD

A great deal has happened since last week's gospel reading in the lectionary. Jesus is now in Jerusalem. He has entered the city (Mt 21:1-11) and has taken possession of the Temple, driving out those who corrupt his Father's house (Mt 21:12-17). The crisis point of Jesus' ministry has arrived and he will enter into conflict with the established religious authorities.

The point of this text is that it is not the 'conventionally religious', who mouth all the right words and go through the rituals, who will enter the kingdom. Instead it is the ones who, by their actions, carry out God's will and so will become the sons and

daughters of God. John the Baptist, like Jesus himself, not only preached righteousness, he lived it. Jesus describes him as 'a pattern of true righteousness' (Mt 21:32) and it was the broken people, the tax collectors and prostitutes, who accepted what he had to bring. They believed in him, repented and experienced a change of heart and life.

### LIVING THE WORD

- Words are one thing, but deeds are another. In the long run it is deeds which count more. 'Actions speak louder than words'. More importantly, this little story tells us that change is possible, even after a negative decision. We have the ability to have second thoughts and respond generously; we can decide to do the right thing. At times, it is those who are not expected to do the right thing that surprise us!
- Who are the people in your life who inspire you because of the consistency of their vision and action?
- Sometimes it is the simple people who inspire us the most. How might you emulate their approach? Are there ways you can be an inspiration for others? Are there ways you can publicly witness to saying 'yes' or acting for justice this week?

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

*(28 September - 4 October)*

- **Monday, 28:** Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50)
- **Tuesday, 29:** Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael (Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51)
- **Wednesday, 30:** St Jerome (Job 9:1-13, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62)
- **Thursday, 1:** St Therese of the Child Jesus (Job 19:21-27; Lk 10:1-12)
- **Friday, 2:** The Holy Guardian Angels (Ex 23:20-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10)
- **Saturday, 3:** Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24)
- **Sunday 4:** 27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Is 5:1-7; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43)

### PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).