

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)

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## WILLUNGA CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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## OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 10.00am - 12.00noon  
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## NOARLUNGA DOWNS CATHOLIC PRESBYTERY

Phone: 8382 1717

## PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

Fr Charles Gauci (Parish Priest - involved in another ministry in 2017)  
Fr Tony Telford-Sharp (Parish Administrator - 8382 1717)  
Fr Peter Zwaans (Associate Priest)  
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Fr Tom Gleeson (Resident Priest)  
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## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

David Manders (phone 8556 5667)

## PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY

Southern Vales Catholic Youth Support  
Shanna Maennel (phone 0400 038 709, [smaennel@cardijn.catholic.edu.au](mailto:smaennel@cardijn.catholic.edu.au))

## 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

*Acts 1:1-11*

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom of Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were

standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 46:2-3, 6-9*

*God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.*

## SECOND READING

*Ephesians 1:17-23*

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation. (Continued page 4)

## 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 midday.

## 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.

## REFLECTION GROUPS

*Willunga Thursday Group* meets weekly to reflect on Gospel for the following Sunday. Parish House, 7.00pm. Fr Tom (8557 1072)

## FIRST FRIDAY MASSES

First Friday Mass: Willunga at 9.00am; Normanville at 6.00pm

## FAMILY MASSES

Aldinga: 2nd Saturday - 5.30pm

## 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 10am. Meetings are held at the Galilee Community Room, How Rd, Aldinga. Contact: svdp.aldinga@gmail.com

## GALILEE

### HOUSEKEEPING TEAM

Feel free to contact any member of the committee about issues in the Aldinga community - Fr Tony (8382 1717), David Manders (8556 5667), Françoise or Ken Creevey (8557 6287), Mario Bacchin (8323 9909), Judy Driscoll (8557 7068).

## GALILEE OP SHOP

How Road, Aldinga. Open Mon, Wed, Thur, Fri 9.00am - 3.00pm  
Phone: 0451 830 929



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## WEEKDAY MASSES (or COMMUNION SERVICES)

|         |  |
|---------|--|
| Mon     | No Masses in Willunga Parish<br>9.00am - Noarlunga       |
| Tue     | 9.15am - Aldinga   |
| Wed     | 9.00am - Willunga  |
| Thur    | 9.00am - Willunga  |
| Fri     | 9.00am - Willunga  |
| 1st Fri | 6.00pm - Normanville<br><i>(followed by shared meal)</i> |

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

There will be a Special Collection at all Mass Centres next weekend - the Propagation of Faith Appeal.

## WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2017

Weather permitting, Galilee Catholic School community will acknowledge World Environment Day on Wednesday June 7. This year we aim to plant and restore the Sheoak forest and nature play area North of stage 1 by the Galilee Hill. We will be planting shrubs, grasses and ground covers to create habitats for butterflies, birds and small creatures and enhance our nature play in this area. We decided the Sheoak forest (one of our very first ground's projects) was a fitting focus in our 10th Anniversary year. In the words of current five year olds we would:

- *"Like to see the plants feel better"*
- *"All the plants and trees and flowers coming back"*
- *"More berries because their food for people"*
- *"Berries are food for birds too. We could have birds come."*

If would like to contribute to World Environment Day planting you are invited to contact the school office (8557 9000) or join parents/family members at 2.45pm on Wednesday, June 7 by the Galilee hill near stage 1 building. *Kerri Gould*

## 2017 NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK *"Let's take the next steps"*

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) runs annually from 27 May – 3 June. These dates mark two milestones in Australia's reconciliation journey: the 1967

referendum and the historic Mabo decision, respectively. In 2017, we reflect on two significant anniversaries in Australia's reconciliation journey – 50 years since the 1967 referendum, and 25 years since the historic Mabo decision.

The week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and to explore how each of us can join the national reconciliation effort.

## CONGRATULATIONS ANN

Congratulations to Ann Henriksen from Normanville who was recently presented with an award for 15 years of volunteering at the Visitors Information Centre. Her dedication, cheerfulness and professionalism was acclaimed.

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

An ecumenical service will be held at Mary of Galilee Church, Aldinga, on Tuesday, 30 May at 7.30pm, with the theme of "Reconciliation – the love of Christ compels us".

With the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation later this year, this service will build on the important steps of healing the divisions amongst Christians that are being taken by Pope Francis, especially with the Lutheran Church. Please bring a plate for supper if you can. For further information, contact Peter Laffan (8556 3915) or [impe@intinode.on.net](mailto:impe@intinode.on.net)

*Peter Laffan*

## LAUNCH OF "FRIENDS OF FRANCIS"

Friends of Francis hopes to be a community of Catholics across the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island region, who support each other to be actively involved in working for social justice, peace through non-violence, and care for creation. Inspired by Pope Francis' witness and call to us to bring hope to the world in crisis, we will also be taking heart from the example of St Francis of Assisi, whose life has

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inspired so many to give their hearts in loving service to those in need.

To celebrate World Environment Day and Pentecost Sunday, on Sunday 4 June there will be a "Stations of Creation" in Aldinga Scrub Conservation Park, offering the opportunity to hear God speaking to us through this beautiful coastal bush.

This will be followed by a gathering in the Community Room at Mary of Galilee Church at Aldinga, to introduce people to the idea of Friends of Francis.

For the Stations of Creation please assemble at the Dover Street carpark (corner of Fraser Street), Aldinga Beach (off Aldinga Beach Road) at 1.45pm on Sunday 4 June. We will be walking for about 15 minutes on soft sand, so reasonable fitness and mobility will be necessary. Wear suitable clothing for the weather, and good walking shoes. The walk will begin at 2.00pm and be completed by 2.45pm.

The gathering at Galilee Community Room will begin at 3.00pm and conclude by 4.30pm. If you cannot participate in the Scrub walk you will be very welcome to join in at the gathering.

For further information and directions, contact Peter Laffan on 8556 3915 or impe@internode.on.net.

## BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Cancer Council's Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is a chance for Australians to get together and raise money for a great cause. Galilee Op Shop staff are hosting a "Biggest Morning Tea" at 10.30am on Tuesday, 6 June in the Galilee Community Room. Everyone is most welcome.

## GALILEE MASSES

Students from Galilee School will be attending Mass on the following Tuesdays during this school term: 6<sup>th</sup> June, 20<sup>th</sup> June and 4<sup>th</sup> July. Our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass will be held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June. *Sharon Doyle*

## PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Kerry James, Di Rickard, Dee Harvey, Anne Murphy, Anne Crosbie, Tom and Yvonne O'Brien, Tim Parkinson

**Recently deceased:** John Moore, Ray Cox, Margaret Connelly

**Anniversary:** Cath Roocke

## WHAT'S ON

Apr 24 - May 20 Retreat in Daily Life  
 Jun 4 Propagation of Faith Appeal  
 Jun 6 Biggest Morning Tea - Aldinga  
 Jun 29 St Peter's Choir rehearsal  
 Jul 9 NATSICC Appeal  
 Jul 23 Apostleship of Sea Appeal  
 Jul 27 St Peter's Choir rehearsal  
 Aug 12 Galilee Trading Table  
 Aug 13 Appeal for Vocations  
 Aug 24 St Peter's Choir rehearsal  
 Sep Catholic Charities Month  
 Sep 28 St Peter's Choir rehearsal  
 Oct 22 World Mission Day Appeal  
 Oct 26 St Peter's Choir rehearsal  
 Oct First Collection Renewal  
 Nov 11 Galilee Trading Table  
 Nov 12 St V de P Christmas Appeal  
 Nov 30 St Peter's Choir rehearsal  
 Dec 21 St Peter's Choir rehearsal  
 Dec 25 Appeal Aboriginal Catholic Ministry & Caritas Australia

## ROSTERS

(For Mass times refer to page 1)

### ALDINGA

Welcome  
 Commentator  
 Readers

### Saturday, 27 May

Christina VK  
 Peter Laffan  
 Rosemary Chamberlain  
 Brianna McIvor  
 Rose Sulda  
 Robert Daly

### Saturday, 3 June

Albin Fabijan  
 Robert Daly  
 Christina Tiedge  
 Heidi Davidson  
 Judy Driscoll  
 Francoise Creevey

### NORMANVILLE

Welcome  
 Commentator/Prayers  
 Reader  
 Eucharistic Minister  
 Church Cleaning

### Sunday, 28 May

Lyn Wyld  
 David Salkeld  
 Jacqui Salkeld  
 Pat Hardy  
 Jacqui Salkeld

### Sunday, 4 June

Mary Kennedy  
 Barba Kingham  
 Walter Litvensky  
 Patricia Litvensky  
 W & P Litvensky

### WILLUNGA

Welcome  
 Commentary  
 First Reader  
 Second Reader  
 Eucharistic Ministers  
 Church Cleaning  
 Counting  
 Church Linen

### Sunday, 28 May

Laurie Cester  
 Jim Smith  
 Vanda Farrall  
 Marie Andrews  
 Margaret Guley  
 Norman Lee  
 Christina Rasera  
 Chris McWilliams  
 Marie Cester

### Sunday, 4 June

Marie Andrews  
 Michael Hynes  
 Chris Dzamko  
 Pauleen Hounslow  
 Bev Fitzpatrick  
 Birgit Hynes  
 Christina Rasera  
 T Cahalan, R Sulda  
 Margaret Guley

## COLLECTIONS

20/21 May, 2017

|                  |          |
|------------------|----------|
| First collection | \$566.00 |
| Envelopes        | \$643.00 |
| Unpledged        | \$311.00 |

Thank you for your support it is much appreciated.

## ONE LINERS

- A closed mouth gather no foot.
- Always remember you are unique, just like everyone else!
- Atheism is a non-prophet organisation.



"Time management is a myth! If I had control over time, I'd still be sixteen and weigh 45Kgs!"

## 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  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 11.00am (Spanish Mass)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)  
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm  
Monday 9.00am  
Tuesday (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> week) 9.00am  
Tuesday (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> week) 9.45am  
Wednesday 7.00am, 7.30pm  
Thursday 9.00am (St John's School)  
Friday 10.00am

### NORMANVILLE

*St Peter, Cape Jervis Road*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday 6.00pm

### PARNDANA

2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 4.00pm

### PENNESHAW

*St Columba, North Terrace  
(shared with Anglicans)*  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 2.00pm

### SEAFORD

*Seaford Ecumenical Mission,  
Grand Bvd*  
Sunday 10.45am  
Wednesday 9.00am

### VICTOR HARBOR

*St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road*  
Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 11.00am  
Tuesday 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am  
Friday (other than 1<sup>st</sup>) 9.00am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday 11.30am

### WILLUNGA

*St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
Wednesday 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am  
Friday 9.00am

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Mt 28:19,20*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

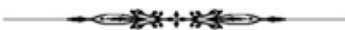
*Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the earth.*

*Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 28:16-20*

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'



## EXPLORING THE WORD

The feast of the Ascension celebrates the physical separation of Jesus from the human story, but this text promises his continual presence 'to the end of time'. After three years of living, working and praying with the disciples, Jesus commissions them to continue his work in the world. This is a difficult challenge for some of the disciples who, although prepared to go to the appointed place, still hesitate! Despite their misgivings and fragile faith, he sends them out to all nations. Jesus has been given the authority which was once the exclusive domain of the God of Israel; Jesus has become the presence of the living God and his presence will continue with his disciples through the Holy Spirit. Despite this affirmation from Jesus

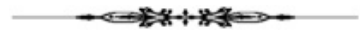
## SHARING THE TRADITION

The celebration of the Ascension as a particular feast day developed in the vicinity of Antioch around 380 AD. Chapter one of the Acts of the Apostles notes that Jesus appeared among his disciples for forty days after the resurrection (Acts 1:3). It then goes on to describe Jesus being taken up into heaven (Acts 1:9). The juxtaposition of these two verses

probably gave rise to this feast being celebrated forty days after Easter. Forty days after Easter falls on a Thursday, and in the past this feast was known as 'Ascension Thursday' and was a Holy Day of Obligation. In more recent times, the celebration has been moved to the Sunday before Pentecost.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- The Ascension of Jesus is described only in the Book of Acts (1:2-11), although there is a shorter version in Luke's Gospel. There are also allusions to the event elsewhere in the New Testament, eg Jn 6:62; Eph 4:8-10.
- In Matthew's Gospel, many of the important moments of Jesus' life are located on mountaintops – his temptation, his transfiguration, the great teaching of the 'sermon on the mount', and now this final instruction to his disciples. In this way, Matthew draws parallels with Moses the great leader and lawgiver who encountered God on the mountaintop.
- Matthew shows Jesus as fulfilling and extending the teaching of Moses. Whereas the Law had been for the people of Israel, Jesus sends his disciples to all nations; whereas the Jewish people had faith in the name of God, YHWH, Jesus sends his disciples to baptise in the name of the Father, Son and Spirit.



## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(29 May - 4 June)

- **Monday, 29:** Monday of 7<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33)
- **Tuesday, 30:** Tuesday of 7<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 12:17-27; Jn 17:1-11)
- **Wednesday, 31:** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Zeph 3:14-18; Lk 1:39-56)
- **Thursday, 1:** St Justin (Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26)
- **Friday, 2:** Friday of 7<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19)
- **Saturday, 3:** Charles Lwanga & companions (Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25)
- **Sunday 4:** Pentecost Sunday (Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23)