



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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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

Zephaniah 3:14-18

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud!
Rejoice, exult with all your heart, daughter of Jerusalem!
The Lord has repealed your sentence; he has driven your enemies away.
The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst; you have no more evil to fear.
When that day comes, word will come to Jerusalem: Zion, have no fear, do not let your hands fall limp.
The Lord your God is in your midst, a victorious warrior.
He will exult with joy over you, he will renew you by his love; he will dance with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Isa 12:2-6

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:4-7

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord is very near.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Isa 61:1

*Alleluia, alleluia!
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Luke 3:10-18

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share with the man who has none, and the one with something to eat must do the same.' There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them, 'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked him in their turn, 'What must we do?' He said to them, 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!'

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.' As well as this, there were many other things he said to exhort the people and to announce the Good News to them.

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PARISH MASSES WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon No Masses - Willunga
Parish 9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue 9.15am - Aldinga
Wed 9.00am - Willunga
12noon - Normanville (*not the week with a 1st Friday*)
Thur 9.00am - Willunga
Fri 9.00am - Willunga
1st Fri 9.00am - Willunga
11.30am - Normanville

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.

RESPONSE

(During lighting of the Advent candle)

Wait for the Lord
whose day is near.
Wait for the Lord,
be strong, take heart.

COVID-19

Masks are mandatory indoors. Please read the most up-to-date information on page 4 of this bulletin.

'BEHOLD, OUR GOD WILL SAVE US' - ADVENT BOOKLET

Advent reflection booklets are available (free of charge) in the Church foyer today. These are suitable for personal reflection, or you might like to meet with others for group reflection.

Christmas

MASSES

• Christmas Eve (Fri 24 Dec) •

4.00pm St Peter's, Normanville
6.30pm Mary of Galilee, Aldinga
7.00pm St Joseph's, Willunga (family)
12.00am St Joseph's, Willunga

• Christmas Day (Sat 25 Dec) •

9.00am St Joseph's, Willunga
9.00am St Peter's, Normanville

(NB: The usual 5.30pm Saturday evening Mass will not be held at Mary of Galilee, Aldinga on Christmas Day)

• Holy Family Mass (Sun 26 Dec) •

8.30am St Peter's, Normanville
10.30am St Joseph's, Willunga

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREES

If you have food or toys you would like to contribute to the St Vincent de Paul Christmas hampers, please leave them at Galilee, St Joseph's or Aldinga Central Supermarket this weekend (11/12 December) so that Christmas hampers can be distributed next weekend.



SALE OF CHRISTMAS CARDS

St. Vincent de Paul produced Christmas Card packs will be on sale at the three Mass Centres from this weekend (27/28 Nov) until sold out. They are excellent value at \$5 for a pack of ten cards. All proceeds from the sales will go to St Vincent de Paul Willunga Conference. *Mario Bacchin*

CREATIVE CORNER

The last Creative Corner for 2021 will be held in the Community Room at Mary of Galilee, Aldinga on 14 Dec from 11am until 2pm. For further information contact Trish Dundon (0421 867 669) or Vivi Boucher (0490 331 935).

COVID VACCINATION

We have received a letter from the Archbishop regarding vaccination.

"I am writing to strongly recommend that all Clergy, Staff and Volunteers engaged with Parishes and Communities ensure they are vaccinated.

This is particularly important, and now legislated, for those who regularly enter Schools, Private Hospitals, Aged Care Facilities and Nursing Homes to work, and for anyone who is a Member of a School



College Board. It is likely this will soon extend to Public Hospitals. Anyone carrying out public ministry - Clergy, Chaplains, Holy Communion Ministers, those visiting the sick etc. - are expected to have the vaccine. It would be my preference to move to this by agreement rather than having to make it a mandated requirement.

The Church's position is clear both on a global and national level that the common good must prevail.

We continue to welcome all in our premises for the celebration of Mass and I do not expect that we would move to mandatory vaccination for those entering our Churches. This would only occur in relation to a legislative requirement.

I ask for your continued cooperation on this important matter.

*In Domino,
+Patrick O'Regan
Archbishop of Adelaide"*

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

December issue

The December/Christmas edition of The Southern Cross will appear as an insert in The Advertiser on Saturday and will also be delivered to parishes this week for distribution at weekend Masses. The paper includes Christmas Mass times around the State and all the latest news relating to Church, faith, education and community services. Copies provided to parishes are FREE.

CHRISTMAS MASS

Christmas Day Mass will be available from St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on Channel 44 on Saturday, December 25 at 5pm.



ST PETER'S, NORMANVILLE CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Held on Sunday 5th December in the Annie O'Connor Centre



BBQ chefs - Jim Fitzpatrick, Nigel Pile, Fr Josy & Peter Leonella

St Peter's community at Normanville held a very successful Christmas lunch in the Annie O'Connor Centre last Sunday. Congratulations and thanks to all those who helped make it such an enjoyable occasion.



Barb Sr Margaret Ann Gael Dolek

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH REFLECTION

Please find [attached](#) the December reflection for the series of Year of St Joseph articles. This month's contribution is from Sr Maria Casey, a Sister of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart and a former president of the Canon Law Society of Australia and New Zealand. The title of the reflection is "St Joseph – a Man of Law".

The reflection has also been uploaded to the Conference's Year of St Joseph web page: <https://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>, which is where you can find earlier reflections and other resources for the Year of St Joseph. With the Year of St

Joseph set to conclude on December 8, this will be the final reflection in the series.

GAUDETTE SUNDAY

The tradition for the third Sunday of Advent includes lighting a third sometimes pink candle that is a symbol of joy. This third Sunday of Advent we read, pray, and reflect on the joy that God's plan gives us and we meditate on the promise of Christ's coming glory-filled return.

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin word for rejoice, and this Sunday is the time for us to rejoice because Jesus came and died so that we may live forever with him!

ROSTERS

ALDINGA
 Commentator
 Readers

Saturday 11 December
 David Manders
 Brian Younie
 Leon Dundon

Saturday 18 December
 Bob Daly
 Christina Tiedge
 David Manders

NORMANVILLE
 Welcomer
 Commentator
 Reader
 Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 12 December
 Trish Bohnsack
 Antoinette Fleming
 Pam Kelly
 Mary Kennedy, Pam Kelly

Sunday, 19 December
 Ena Harvey
 Jan Plumb
 Ann Henriksen
 Judy Hore, Ann Henriksen

WILLUNGA
 Commentator
 Reader
 Flowers
 Church Linen

Sunday, 12 December
 Anna Rogers
 Izak Bruschi
 Rebecca Pace
 Marie Cester

Sunday, 19 December
 Wayne Best
 Margaret Guley
 Rebecca Pace
 Wayne Best

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Colin and Roma Whitford, Fr Peter Milburn, Janet Burbidge, Arthur and Carol Jones, Bill and Janet McIver, Judy Hore, Rainer Maack

Recently deceased: Giovanni Frada (*Giovanni's funeral - at St Joseph's on Friday 10th*), Joseph Wallace (*Joseph's funeral will be held at St Joseph's on Thursday 16th*), Michael Miller, Jeff Gray (*Jeff's funeral will be held at St Joseph's on Tuesday 21st*)

Anniversary: Ryan Trembath

DATES

- 12 Dec Third Sunday of Advent
- 14 Dec Creative Corner - Aldinga
- 17 Dec Fourth Sunday of Advent
- 25 Dec Christmas Day
- 25 Dec Appeal - Caritas Australia and Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
- 31 Jan School resumes for 2022
- 14 Apr Last day School Term 1

UNITING ART EXHIBITION

(from 28 November - 31 January)



Bethany Hall, Willunga Uniting Church
 (cnr St Andrew's & St Jude's Streets)
 Sundays 10.00am - 12.00noon
 Thursdays 9.30am - 12.30pm
 and by appointment at any time, by phoning Marian Floyd (0417 589 657) or Jenny Esots (0447 839 040)
 Sales enquiries - Marian Floyd (0417 589 657)



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 07 December, 2021)

- Places of Worship are restricted to 3 people per 4 square metres with social distancing of 1.5 metres. The number of people at a Private Activity has increased from 50 people to 150 people, provided density requirements are met. If more than 50 people are present, there must be an independent COVID Marshal. QR codes and/or handwritten logs are essential.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (A doctor's certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship and members of choirs or chorus groups may perform or rehearse indoors, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Social distancing is mandatory - DO NOT CONGREGATE at entry/exit and outside.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log - both located at the entrance to the Church
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- Offertory procession will be omitted. Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- The Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccination for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage. You may wish to access: [Mass for You at Home – The official website of Mass For You At Home, Australia](#) online and on Channel 10 every Sunday at 6 am.

COVIDSAFE
Let's continue to be a church

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LESSONS IN JOY

No doubt about it: John the Baptist was an amazing, impressive, charismatic figure in his generation. Yet he did everything in his power to direct the attention away from himself and toward the One yet to come. His teaching, even his baptising, was mere preparation for the Christ. John knew he was a big player in a cosmic story.

Being human, we often fail to look past the messenger to the message. How many of us have become unglued when our favourite pastor or principal is transferred, when an admired spiritual leader falls from grace, when a hero we've followed across the years dies or disappears from view. We may find we've pinned our faith to the wrong source, settling for the herald instead of the heralded. Human beings will always disappoint, but God never does.

If our joy is to be complete, we can't fasten it to anything material. Rust sets in and moths destroy, but Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. If lasting joy is what we want, we have to find it in the One whose life and love endures.

Who or what is the source of your joy? People of Gaudete share their joy in acts of kindness. Recall a kindness you may have withheld. There's still time to offer it. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns.

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FIERY TEARS

It isn't what John the Baptist meant, but the term "baptism of fire" came into military parlance to refer to a soldier's first time in battle and later to anyone who is tested in a new role.

My friend Stephen dropped the phrase in conversation recently while talking about his own war stories. He is a disabled veteran who struggles mightily with pain from injuries sustained while serving hundreds of missions in mostly Iraq and Afghanistan. He's in his 30s, a single dad raising a young daughter on his own, but despite his challenges, he manages to volunteer in the community, which is how I know him. He and I often talk about political

issues, and I asked him about his views on the fall of Afghanistan. He's usually very opinionated, but he just shook his head and his eyes welled up with tears. I wanted to hug him, but as COVID-careful as he is because of his fragile health, I didn't. "What should I do?" I thought. I don't know if it was the right thing, but I nodded and held him in spirit with my silent attention and my own watery eyes and hopes that could quench a tiny bit of what he felt.

The Commissioning: Time for a change! We will speak out when we find injustice! Time for a change! We will work carefully to nurture community! Time for a change! We will face loss with gentleness, and reality! Time for a change! We will forgive the deepest hurts gradually! Time for a change! We will prepare for the coming of Christ thoroughly!

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DID YOU KNOW?

- Tax collectors at the time of Jesus were disliked immensely for two reasons. They collaborated with the Roman oppressors and they skimmed additional monies from the people for themselves.
- The Jewish people of this time were hopeful that a Messiah would come to overthrow the tyranny of the Roman Empire and set them free.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(December 13 - 19)

- **Monday, 13:** St Lucy, (Num 24:2-7, 15-17; Mt 21:23-27)
- **Tuesday, 14:** St John of the Cross (Zeph 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32)
- **Wednesday, 16:** Wednesday, 3rd week Advent (Is 45:6-8, 18, 21-25; Lk 7:19-23)
- **Thursday, 17:** Thursday, 3rd week Advent (Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30)
- **Friday, 18:** Friday, 3rd week Advent (Gen 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17)
- **Saturday, 19:** Saturday, 3rd week Advent (Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-24)
- **Sunday 20:** FOURTH SUNDAY of ADVENT (Micah 5:1-4; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-44)

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).