



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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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

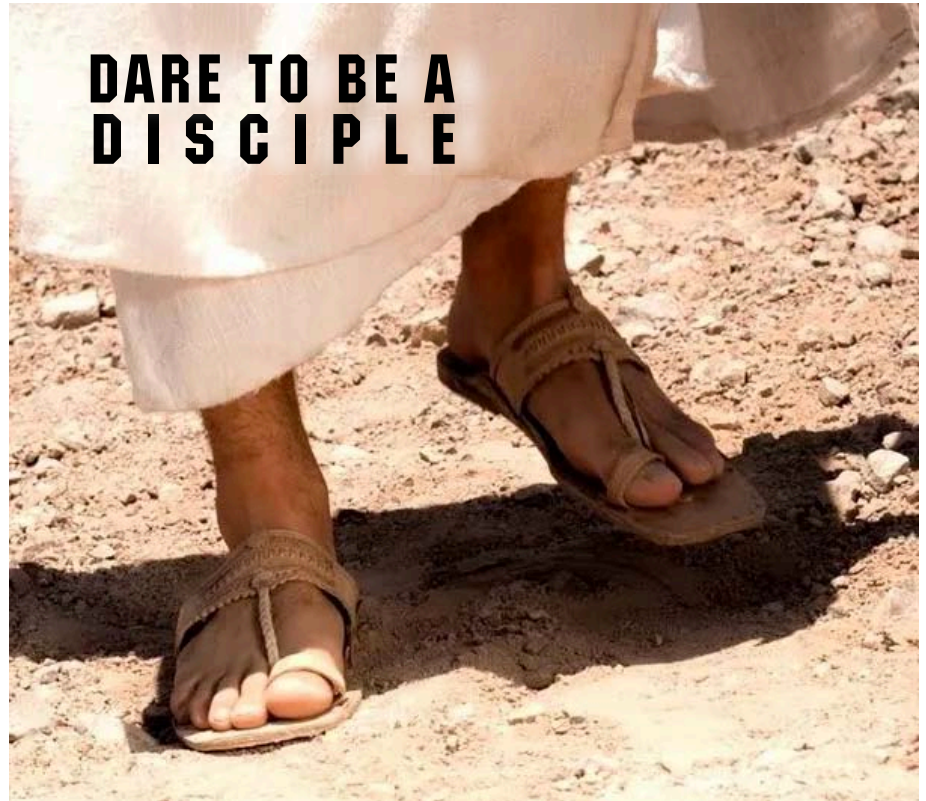
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MASS CENTRES

- 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

Jeremiah 17:5-8

The Lord says this:
'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.

'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 1:1-4

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not

been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor:
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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 (<i>not the week with a 1st Friday</i>)
Thur	9.00am - Willunga
Fri	9.00am - Willunga
1 st Fri	9.00am - Willunga 11.30am - Normanville

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

For the latest restrictions please see page 4 of this bulletin.

RAPID RESPONSE

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS (110)

www.cofa.org.au

From the funds raised at the 2021 Quiz Afternoon, hand creams, toys and other donated items, have given a holiday happiness boost to six adults, ten children and three young adults, all of whom are refugees or asylum-seekers.

A family of six spent four days over Christmas in a holiday cottage in Normanville, thanks to the Fleurieu Refugee Support Team and the generosity of the cottage owners.

Father Christmas visited with food, toys, \$50 each for the young adults, body creams and silk scarves for the women and socks for Dad. It was explained this was a kind of Aussie family tradition. Later there was \$50 cash to help with school supplies.

At a pre-Christmas catch-up in the city office of Red Cross, a single mum, with two primary school children and third child about to start TAFE, was thrilled to be handed \$150 cash plus a bag of gifts for her and the children to take home on the bus to Elizabeth. *Tricia Dundon*

CREATIVE CORNER

Creative workshops - 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 11am - 2pm. Galilee Community Room. Please BYO lunch. Contact: Trish (0421 867 669), Vivi (0490 331 935) for further info.

SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF TONGA



Tonga is coated in a thick blanket of ash after the eruption of undersea volcano Hunga-Tonga-Hunga-Ha'apai on January 15, which triggered tsunamis across the region, destroyed telecommunications and contaminated water supplies in the small Pacific Island nation. Coastal communities in Fiji, Samoa and Vanuatu have been impacted by tsunami waves, along with communities as far afield as Australia, Japan and the Americas. The Tongan government has said that "immediate assistance" is needed to deal with the fallout of the massive volcanic eruption. Caritas Australia is currently raising funds to support communities impacted by the eruption and tsunami in Tonga.

Visit www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific/ or call 1800 024 413 toll free to provide much-needed support by donating to our Pacific Emergency Appeal.



**WORLD DAY OF
PRAYER**
(England, Wales,
Northern
Ireland)

**7.00pm Friday,
March 4**

Church of St Stephen
10 St Andrews Tce, Willunga

Contact: sanderwt@bigpond.com or
text 0410 548 040. Due to Covid
restrictions, please RSVP.



Palms Australia
*60+ years of Intercultural
Partnerships*

Now that restrictions on international travel are starting to ease, Palms Global Mission is redoubling its efforts to respond to overseas communities' requests to assist them

through skills exchange. Those considering a Global Mission placement can be advised of the following support:

- The Archdiocese will support the preparation costs of participants at Palms' Orientation Courses and a re-entry weekend on their return from mission placement.
- Catholic Bishops support a Lay Missionary Gratuity Fund that provides a payment of \$2500 for each year one is on this mission.
- Palms negotiations with Catholic schools assures great support and benefits for teachers giving up to two years for this mission. Teachers should talk with Palms about the details.

For more information, visit www.palms.org.au/current-opportunities/

SPECIAL COLLECTION

A special collection will be taken up next weekend in support of the work undertaken by Birthline Pregnancy Support, Mothers without Medicare & Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc. The Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion.

We thank you in anticipation for your generous support of those who work tirelessly with individuals and families who require these important resources and services.

AUSTRALASIAN CATHOLIC COALITION FOR CHURCH REFORM

Webinar: Our Voices - Wed Feb 16
7.30 – 8.30pm (AEDT)

Introduction: Bishop Vincent Long
Van Nguyen OFM Conv

Presentation: Dr Elissa Roper *'It's not too late: Synodality and Change'* Australian theologian specialising in synodality and the work of Pope Francis

Moderator: Dr Eleanor Flynn, Women's Wisdom in the Church. Eleanor will then lead a conversation with Elissa, Andrea Dean (Women and the Australian

Church) and Kevin Liston (SA Catholics for an Evolving Church). The

Chat Box will be open for comments and questions during the conversation.

To register: Click [Free Registration](#). You will receive the Zoom link on Tuesday, February 15 by email. If unavailable on the evening, register to receive the video later.

For more information: visit www.acccr.com.au or 0411 197 829 Please refer to attachment: [Our voices webinar](#)

SYNOD OF BISHOPS LOCAL CONSULTATION

Hundreds of groups and individuals across the country have shared their stories about how all members of the Catholic Church can walk together to carry out our mission as Christians. Have you?

The local consultation process for the global Synod on Synodality is open for two more weeks – until Sunday February 27. Join with family, friends, parishioners or participate yourself.

Find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch

STANDING ON LEVEL GROUND

The Sermon on the Mount is the most recognised passage of the gospel. Matthew's gospel pictures Jesus on a hillside preaching. Luke tells us Jesus delivered this famous sermon on a plain. Does it matter whether this is the Sermon on the Mount or the Plain? Scholars have speculated that Luke didn't know any better. As a Greek convert to the faith, he may have never been close enough to the

geography of Israel to know the difference.

But in the context of Luke's whole story, it's a shrewd move to have Jesus preaching on level ground. Jesus literally levels the playing field by blessing the poor with the advantages of the rich, promising satisfaction to the hungry, and laughter to those who grieve. He likewise assures those who've made it that "it's trouble ahead". If Jesus stands on a par with the crowds and doesn't enjoy a privileged place, we can be sure the justice of the kingdom will make no exceptions.

How are you, at this time in life, poor, hungry, sorrowing, or excluded? How are you rich, satisfied, celebrating, and admired?

Commit yourself to levelling the playing field. Share your surplus: money, time, love, joy, faith, talent, attention, respect. "There's trouble ahead when you live only for the approval of others, saying what flatters them, doing what indulges them. Popularity contests are not truth contests – look how many scoundrel preachers were approved by your ancestors! Your task is to be true, not popular".

GPBS eNews



ROSTERS

ALDINGA
Commentator
Readers

Saturday 12 February
Christine Tiedge
Vivi Boucher
Rod Boucher

Saturday 19 February
Bob Daly
Christina Tiedge
Brian Younie

NORMANVILLE
Welcomer
Commentator
Reader
Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 13 February
Leo Montgomery
Thia Van Kuyk
Michael Steller
Mary Kennedy, Pam Kelly

Sunday, 20 February
John Smith
Antoinette Fleming
Ann Henriksen
Judy Hore, Ann Henriksen

WILLUNGA
Commentator
Reader
Flowers
Church Linen

Sunday, 13 February
Vanda Farrall
Marie Cester
Tony Harding
Margaret Guley

Sunday, 20 February
Anna Rogers
Michael Hynes
Rebecca Pace
Marie Cester

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, Mary Fitzpatrick, Ann Henriksen

Anniversaries: Terry Fitzpatrick, May Lovelock

DATES

- 20 Feb Unborn Child Appeal
- 2 Mar Ash Wednesday
- 2 Mar - 16 Apr Project Compassion
- 4 Mar World Day of Prayer
- 14 Mar Adelaide Cup Day
- 14 Apr Last day School Term 1
- 14 Apr Holy Thursday
- 15 Apr Good Friday
- 15 Apr Good Friday Appeal
- 16 Apr Holy Saturday
- 17 Apr Easter Day
- 18 Apr Easter Monday
- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 2 May First day School Term 2
- 8 May Vinnies Winter Appeal
- 22 May Propagation of Faith Appeal
- 13 Jun Queen's birthday holiday
- 3 Jul NATSICC Appeal
- 8 Jul Last day School Term 2
- 10 Jul Apostleship of Sea Appeal
- 25 Jul First day School Term 3
- 14 Aug Appeal for Vocations
- Sep Catholic Charities Appeal
- 30 Sep Last day School Term 3
- 3 Oct Labour Day holiday
- 13 Nov Vinnies Christmas Appeal
- 25 Dec Aboriginal Cath Ministry

COLLECTIONS

(For the last fortnight)

First collection	\$664.00
Second collection	\$399.00
Envelopes	\$500.00
Direct debits	\$659.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

The Day of the Unborn Child Appeal next weekend - see page 3 of this bulletin for more details.



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 7 February, 2022)

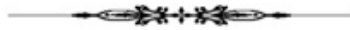
- Places of Worship are restricted to 3:4 sqm with social distancing of 1.5ms. A change in wording means that a wedding and funeral (previously viewed as a private activity) is taken to mean a defined public activity (in our circumstance a ceremony: religious/faith-based ceremony) and the 3:4sqm applies.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (An official medical certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Social distancing is mandatory - DO NOT CONGREGATE at entry/exit and outside. No communal gathering after Mass.
- 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.



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yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets. 'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. 'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'



A LOVING PARTNER

An 8-year-old child of a couple in the parish was devastated when their football team never made it to the semi-finals. He asked his father how there could be a God since no one answered his or all the other long-suffering fans' fervent prayers for the team.

Patiently, the father explained to his son that God has more important issues to deal with than the football semi-finals. The child grew quiet and then with tears in his eyes asked his father very softly, "Then how could have God allowed the Holocaust?" "Talk to your mother" was the only answer the father had left.

It's not easy to trust in God. We are consistently tempted to find facile answers and easy solutions to problems of incredible magnitude and complexity. We have the need to solve all problems, to sew up all the loose ends, to fold everything into a neat package.

Unfortunately, life isn't that predictable. Nothing reminds us of questions that lurk hidden inside us more than the reality of death, especially of a loved one for whom we have been praying. How much easier it is to believe in God and to relate to God when life is going well, when we appear to be getting all for which we pray.

In the reality that is our human

existence, God is a loving partner who struggles alongside us on life's journey, not some wish-fulfilling magician who capriciously changes what is going to be.

The Commissioning: We trust God. In the hard places of life and in life's celebrations, we trust God. In moments of despair and in moments of great joy, we trust God. When loved ones support us and when they forget us, we trust God. When we stand firmly for what is right and when we weakly compromise, we trust God. When we join with others in the work of Jesus Christ and when we go it alone, we trust God. Nothing can separate us from God or from God's love. Nothing in all creation. We trust God. *GPBS eNews*

EXPLORING THE WORD

Luke does not speak of 'the poor in spirit' or 'those who hunger and thirst for justice' as Matthew does. Luke is much more interested in the lived experience of those who are literally poor, hungry and suffering. They were the ones who were persecuted under the status quo of their day, and it was they who had an openness to the new order announced by Jesus' preaching of the kingdom. The powerful, who directed the established order of the day, could not bear such a challenge to their own position and thus they will 'drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal' for preaching the new order of God's kingdom. Such is the challenge to those who are disciples.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(14 - 20 February)

- **Monday, 14:** Sts Cyril and Methodius (James 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13)
- **Tuesday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 (James 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21)
- **Wednesday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 (James 1:19-27; Mk 8:22-26)
- **Thursday, 17:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 (James 2:1-9; Mk 8:27-33)
- **Friday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 (James 2:14-24, 26; Mk 8:34 - 9:1)
- **Saturday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 5 (James 3:1-10; 13:33-34; Mk 9:2-13)
- **Sunday, 20:** 7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a priest for anointing prior to medical treatment or if you are ill (not necessarily life-threatening) or for last rites please contact: (08) 8556 2132 or 0488 287 552.