



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

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.'

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 4:2, 4, 7, 9

Lord, let your face shine on us.

SECOND READING

1 John 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the

whole world's.

We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his

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Bulletin Board

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

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 65:1-2

*Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
alleluia.*

POPE FRANCIS' LETTER

*on the 150th anniversary of the
proclamation of St Joseph as
Patron of the Universal Church*

(Part 4 - continued from last week)

2. A tender and loving father

Joseph saw Jesus grow daily "in wisdom and in years and in divine and human favour". As the Lord had done with Israel, so Joseph did with Jesus: he taught him to walk, taking him by the hand; he was for him like a father who raises an infant to his cheeks, bending down to him and feeding him.

In Joseph, Jesus saw the tender love of God: "As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him".

In the synagogue, during the praying of the Psalms, Joseph would surely have heard again and again that the God of Israel is a God of tender love, who is good to all, whose "compassion is over all that he has made".

The history of salvation is worked out "in hope against hope", through our weaknesses. All too often, we think that God works only through our better parts, yet most of his plans are realized in and despite our frailty. Thus Saint Paul could say: "To keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me: 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness'".

Since this is part of the entire economy of salvation, we must learn to look upon our weaknesses with tender mercy.

The evil one makes us see and condemn our frailty, whereas the Spirit brings it to light with tender love. Tenderness is the best way to touch the frailty within us. Pointing fingers and judging others are frequently signs of an inability to accept our own weaknesses, our own frailty. Only tender love will save us from the snares of the accuser. That is why it is so important to encounter God's mercy, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, where we experience his truth and tenderness. Paradoxically, the evil one can also speak the truth to us, yet he does so only to condemn us. We know that God's truth does not condemn, but instead welcomes, embraces, sustains and forgives us. That truth always presents itself to us like the merciful father in Jesus' parable. It comes out to meet us, restores our dignity, sets us back on our feet and rejoices for us, for, as the father says: "This my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found".

Even through Joseph's fears, God's will, his history and his plan were at work. Joseph, then, teaches us that faith in God includes believing that he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses. He also teaches us that amid the tempests of life, we must never be afraid to let the Lord steer our course. At times, we want to be in complete control, yet God always sees the bigger picture.

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WILLUNGA NATIONAL TRUST HERITAGE WALKS

The South Australian History Festival 2021 will be held in May this year. This is particularly exciting as the Festival was cancelled last year. This year the Willunga National Trust's History Walks program consists of:

St Joseph's Catholic Precinct

8 May at 2.00pm to 4.00pm
Bookings open on 8 April at <https://www.trybooking.com/BHYSW>

St Stephen's Anglican Cemetery

Saturday 15 May, 2.00pm to 4.00pm
Bookings open on 8 April at <https://www.trybooking.com/BHYTI>

Michelle Cormack

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Coffee, cereals and pasta sauces are in short supply in the local Vinnies store. Any donations of these goods to the baskets in the Church foyers, would be much appreciated.

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE

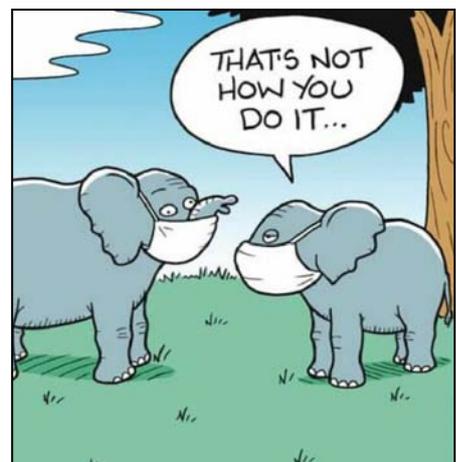
A Dawn Service, to be held at Sellicks Hill, Riviera Road on Sunday, 25 April is being organised by the Friends of Sellicks.

For more information contact Paul (info@friendsofsellicks.com or phone 0408 537 305)

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING



Special thanks to all our keen singers for your support, patience and understanding over the past twelve months. We are now permitted to recommence singing at Mass, but only if wearing a mask. Many people carry a mask with them now-days, but there are single-use ones available from your Covid Marshals if needed.



SCAM EMAIL

Be aware of a scam e-mail supposedly from Fr Josy requesting money to help out one of his friends. Please ignore the request and delete the message.

TOUCH ME AND SEE

I saw Jesus earlier this morning. At Mass, a colourfully dressed man with a very challenging smell sat next to me in the pew. I've seen him in our parish before. He seems to be mentally challenged, and though he's not disruptive to the service, he exhibits his oddity in his appearance and by virtue of the colouring book he studies while the Mass is going on. At the sign of peace today, I extended my hand to him in Christian charity, at the same time he reached out to me with both arms outstretched. For a split second we hovered in the air around each other, wavering between a handshake and an embrace. In that same second, I had to make all kinds of decisions about hygiene and ritual and personal boundaries and kissing lepers - the same choices St Francis had to make when a leper met him on the road one day.

When I finally took him in my arms, I was braced for something wretched to happen. It didn't. He touched me with such reverence and gentleness as one might take up a small child. And when we parted, he gave me a tiny, shy smile of thanks. It was as good as communion.

Consider the gift of touch and how the church uses it in blessing. Look for ways to bring the blessing of human touch to those most in need of it.

"You're the first to hear and see it. You're the witnesses".

GPBS eNews

Visit local Community Gardens /
Grow Free / Share Tables
7th - 16th May

OFSC Open Week



- **Community gardens/Share Tables - various openings.**
Drop in to local community gardens. Chat to co-ordinators and volunteers about how to get involved. Times and map at <http://onkaparingafoodsecurity.org.au>
- **Q&A session with City of Onkaparinga - 10 May, 1.00pm.**
Find out how to set up a community garden, verge garden or forage for wild food. From 1-3pm at Onkaparinga Civic Centre, Hannah Road, Noarlunga. This session is also available on Zoom. Registration is required for the session or Zoom link.
- **Community Picnic - Sunday 16 May, 1.00 - 3.00pm**
Join the Food Embassy and supporters for a food platter, juice smoothies, activities and seed planting in the garden. Find out how to eat sustainably. BYO rug, chairs, food and drink. Symonds Reserve, enter from Butterworth Road, Aldinga. Registration is required.

Entry is free to all events. Everyone is welcome.

Text 0414 537 305 to register or get more information. Information is also available at:

<http://onkaparingafoodsecurity.org.au>
or <https://www.the.foodembassy.org>

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: George Gater, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Judy Hore, Arthur Jones, Violet Gilli, Colin and Roma Whitford, Deanne Bostock, Vence Sulda, Anne and Michael Fox, Rita Trimboli

Recently deceased: Denis Pym, Val Gater (*Val's funeral was held at St Peter's on Thursday 15 April; Denis' funeral will be held at St Joseph's on Tuesday 20 April at 12.00noon*)

Anniversary: Marco Pettinau

Please pray for all our faithful departed and may all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ through our actions and His healing presence.

DATES

- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 26 Apr ANZAC Day public holiday
- 27 Apr First day School Term 2
- 8 May St Joseph's Church, Willunga - Heritage Walk 2pm - 4pm
- 14 Jun Queen's birthday holiday
- 15 May St Stephen's Cemetery, Willunga - Heritage Walk 2pm
- 4 Oct Labour Day holiday

Every Generation Onkaparinga presents:

THE BORDERERS

Friday, 23 April, 10.30am
Hopgood Theatre

FREE event
Entertainment from The Borderers
Light lunch and refreshments provided

Bookings essential
Contact Hopgood Theatre Box Office
7009 4400 or to book online go to
www.hopgoodtheatre.com.au

ROSTERS

ALDINGA
Commentator
Readers

Saturday 17 April
Christina Tiedge
Ken Creevey
Brianna McIver

Saturday 24 April
Chris McWilliams
Peter Laffan
Angela Trembath

NORMANVILLE
Welcomer
Commentator
Reader
Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 18 April
Leo Montgomery
Jan Plum
Judy Millington
N Pile, L Montgomery

Sunday, 25 April
Rachel Palin
Antoinette Fleming
Ann Henriksen
N Pile, L Montgomery

WILLUNGA
Commentator
Reader (s)
Church Cleaning
Church Linen

Sunday, 18 April
Anna Rogers
Norman Lee
Michael Hynes
Marie Cester

Sunday, 25 April
Vanda Farrall
Chris Dzamko
Michael Hynes
Wayne Best



COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(April, 2021)

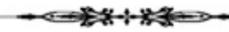
Different rules apply for Churches with fixed or non-fixed seating. Please check with your Church for details on how seating will be handled.

- For fixed seating 100% of available seats may be used, provided 100% of attendees wear masks. If 75% of seats are used, masks are not necessary.
- The non-fixed seating capacity is worked on 3:4sqm. No masks are required for this density. Masks are essential for anything more than the capped density.
- Singing as a congregation may recommence, provided masks are worn.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Social distancing is still recommended.
- 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 to be 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 but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- 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.
- Care should be taken 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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hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'



DID YOU KNOW?

- The disciples referred to in this Gospel are the two who had been fleeing from Jerusalem towards Emmaus when they encountered Jesus on the road. They returned to be witnesses of their encounter with the risen Christ.
- Luke also wrote the Acts of the Apostles. His gospel is the story of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem to the cross and resurrection. Acts is the story of the gospel spreading from Jerusalem to 'all the nations'. A unifying theme in Luke is that of 'journey'.

EXPLORING THE WORD

In the Gospel of Luke all the events of Easter run into one another and the whole of Chapter 24 should be read as a continuous narrative. Beginning with the discovery of the empty tomb, the resurrection narrative follows the disciples as they move away from what had happened in Jerusalem towards Emmaus, but they encounter the

risen Christ in the breaking of the bread. In witnessing to this, Christ is present among them again until he finally returns to the Father.

Jesus goes to great lengths to reassure them that he is the same Jesus who was with them during his ministry. Something in his nature has changed but he is still 'flesh and bone'. There is continuity with the Jesus they knew but now also something 'other-worldly' which they cannot quite comprehend. Jesus is the same but somehow transformed.

Jesus' journey is about to be completed with his return to the Father, but their journey is only just beginning. Now the disciples must journey from Jerusalem to all the nations, witnessing to what they have seen and heard, preaching the good news of repentance and the forgiveness of sin.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(19 - 25 April)

- **Monday, 19:** Monday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29)
- **Tuesday, 20:** Tuesday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 7:51-8:1; Jn 6:30-35)
- **Wednesday, 21:** Wednesday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 8:1-8; | Jn 6:35-40)
- **Thursday, 22:** Thursday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51)
- **Friday, 23:** Friday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59)
- **Saturday, 24:** Saturday of the 3rd week of Easter (Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69)
- **Sunday 25:** FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER (Acts 4:8-12; 1Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18)

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).

