



Welcome to

Willunga Catholic Parish

Mary of Galilee, Aldinga; St Peter's, Normanville; St Joseph's, Willunga

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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

Genesis 18:20-32

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' the Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No,' he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find

forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 137:1-3, 6-8

Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

SECOND READING

Colossians 2:12-14

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised:

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Bulletin Board

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

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

SECOND WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Pope Francis has proclaimed the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly this weekend Sunday (24 July). In announcing this, Pope Francis has chosen the theme *"In old age they will still bear fruit."* - Psalm 92:15.

It is held on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. The Holy Father said he instituted the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly because *"grandparents are often forgotten, and we forget this wealth of preserving roots and passing on"* what the elderly have received. He emphasised the importance of grandparents and grandchildren getting to know one another, because *"as the prophet Joel says, grandparents seeing their grandchildren dream,"* while *"young people, drawing strength from their grandparents, will go forward and prophesy."*

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Online unit: Aging Persons and Pastoral Care

The unit will be offered online over six Saturdays: 30 July; 13, 27 August; 17 September; 8, 22 October: 10am to 12pm then 2pm to 4pm.

Australians are living longer and our society is an ageing one. Ageing in Australia today has become an urgent and increasingly important public issue.

The recently concluded Royal Commission indicates some of the challenges and complexities in providing effective care for older citizens. Political, social and economic costs abound on the way forward. A Gospel perspective calls Christians to collaborate in the building of a just and compassionate society.

Commencing with the ancient Christian understanding of the "care of souls" the course unit explores the evolution of pastoral and spiritual care to the present day as they contribute to the personal, mental and social wellbeing of ageing persons in our society.

Contact the Academic Records Office for enrolment information and appointments - 0394 123 309; registrar@ctc.edu.au; 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne; ctc.edu.au

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Discussion points from the recent Parish Pastoral Council meeting included:

- Forthcoming Assembly meeting with fifty parishioners coming from two Parishes.
- Report from Finance Committee
- Development of Galilee Site
- Keeping in touch with Covid-affected parishioners
- Possibility of establishing a Social Justice Group to work with the abortion issue
- Sacristans require clarification, Fr Josy will arrange a update meeting

If you would like further information on any of these matters, please speak to one of your PPC representatives.

*Christine McWilliams
Chair, Willunga PPC*

BLESSING OF SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

After a very successful and positive response in 2021, it has been decided that the celebration for Wedding Anniversaries in the Archdiocese will continue to be held in local communities to recognise couples in their life-long commitment.

If you, or someone you know, is celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year (10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 and 60 years), we invite you to let Sr Margaret Ann (0488 287 552) or Gael Maloney (0447 421 948) know of the details so they may be acknowledged at the Anniversaries Mass on the weekend of Sunday 18 September.

DONATE LIFE WEEK

Sunday 24 - Sunday 31 July

DonateLife Week is a national awareness week that promotes donation and encourages more people to talk to their family and register. While the majority of Australians believe it's important to be an organ and tissue donor, only one in three are currently registered.

We want all Australians to talk about organ and tissue donation. If you want

You Are Invited to
BE A WITNESS
PART 2

Guest Speaker & Celebrant
FR SELVA RAJ

*Acts 4:20 We can not stop
proclaiming what we have seen and heard*

When: Saturday 6th August 2022
Where: St Peter Claver Church
8 Stuart Road, Dulwich
Time: 10.30am to 3.30pm
Coffee & Tea Provided : Bring own lunch

Including Teaching, Reflection, Mass & Adoration
Your donation appreciated info : 0423848717
COVID 19 PROTOCOL RECOMMENDED

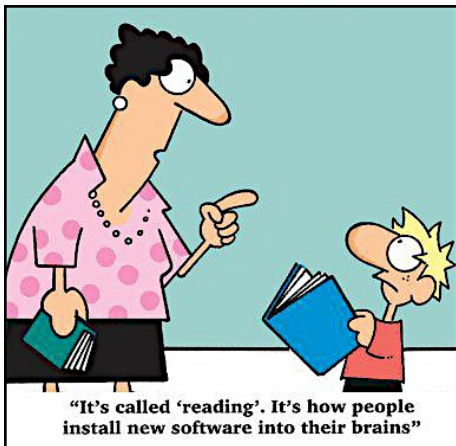
to be a donor, make sure you tell your family and friends. Registering is easy and only takes one minute. All you need is your phone, Medicare card and one minute to register.

It doesn't matter how old you are, your medical history, your lifestyle, what country you're from or how healthy you are — you can still register as an organ and tissue donor. If you would like to register as a donor go to:
<https://www.donatelife.gov.au/register-donor-today>

THE SCHOOL OF HARD KNOCKS

A young man I was on retreat with once told this story of prayer: "I was so angry at God because I had asked and asked God to help me stop doing drugs. And then before long I was getting high again.

"I was angry at God and I was angry at my parents who told me that God would help me if I asked. And I was angry at my Catholic school teachers who taught me the same thing. I was especially angry one Sunday when I



went back to church after a long time and the priest said that we should be persistent in prayer and not give up.

"But I wanted to give up. I could no longer trust God after being seemingly turned down, or worse, ignored, so many times before. And yet a few days later, after another horrific night acting in ways that left me shamed and empty and aching, I got down on my knees one more time. I uttered just two words: 'God, help!'

"And I felt something. I was an inner click of willingness. Something inside shifted, and trust was born inside me. It only took that moment, and my recovery began. And now I'm glad for every prayer I said along the way. It took all that praying not to change God, but to change me".

The Commissioning: We pray for your presence, God, when others are not there for us. We pray for your assurance, God, when our confidence fails us. We pray for your Realm, God, when political leaders keep us at a distance. We pray for peace, God, when bitterness and conflict are the order of the day. We pray for your Spirit, God, when the gods of this world lead us astray. Amen.

GPBS eNews

May we follow Christ in the nurturing and realising of God's reign of universal love and comprehensive justice, even in the midst of doubt and uncertainty. May Christ's victory on the cross be our guiding light and our inspiration at all times.

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Janet Burbidge, Arthur and Carol Jones, Bill and Janet McIver, Rainer Maack

Recently deceased: Steve Egan (Steve's funeral - Friday 22 July at 2.00pm - St Joseph's), Colin Whitford

DATES

- 24 Jul Parish feedback 11.30am
- 24 Jul World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
- 25 Jul First day School Term 3
- 14 Aug Appeal for Vocations
- 15 Aug Assumption of Mary
- 28 Aug Social Justice Sunday
- Sep Catholic Charities Appeal
- Sep 4 Fathers' Day
- 30 Sep Last day School Term 3
- 3 Oct Labour Day holiday
- 13 Nov Vinnies Christmas Appeal
- 25 Dec Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Appeal

EXPLORING THE WORD

The God of today's gospel text is not a vague and distant God but one who is in an intimate relationship of love—that of a father. If ordinary parents know what is good for their children and want to give them all that is good, how much more will our Father in heaven give us what we need. Asking our Father for the things that we need (rather than the things we want) is an expression of our dependence on God. To ask is to place ourselves in a state of cooperation with God. We also have to commit ourselves to working towards that which we pray for or else prayer becomes a way of evading responsibility and we make God into some kind of Santa Claus.



"I've lost 60kgs on the Swiss Cheese Diet"

ROSTERS

ALDINGA	Saturday 23 July	Saturday 30 July
Commentator	Tricia Dundon	David Manders
Readers	Heidi Davidson	Vivi Boucher
	Chris McWilliams	Rod Boucher
Eucharistic Minister	Brigid Grimwood	Judy Driscoll
NORMANVILLE	Sunday, 24 July	Sunday, 31 July
Welcomer	Peter Lloyd	Peter Bohnsack
Commentator	Jim Fitzpatrick	Thia Van Kuyk
Reader	Ann Henriksen	Mary Kennedy
Altar/Cleaning	Nigel Pile, Leo Montgomery	Nigel Pile, Leo Montgomery
WILLUNGA	Sunday, 24 July	Sunday, 31 July
Commentator	Marie Andrews	Marie Andrews
Reader	Izak Bruschi	Andrew Beach
Eucharistic Minister	Wayne Best	Wayne Best
Flowers	Rebecca Pace	Rebecca Pace
Church Linen	Wayne Best	Margaret Guley

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS


(Current from 20/07/22)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please follow the instructions as per SA Health in terms of contact tracing and isolating yourself as per government health protocols. Please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- The density requirement has been updated to full capacity in all churches and also includes funerals and weddings.
- Wearing of face-masks in Church is strongly recommended by the Archbishop.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact

DID YOU KNOW?

- The reluctance of the man in the parable to get up to help his friend may be explained if we understand the houses of the period. Animals often occupied the ground floor at night while the family spread out their sleeping mats on an overhead platform. The door was often difficult to bolt. This man would have disturbed the entire family and flock.



'In old age they will still bear fruit' Psalms 92:15

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Sunday 24 July 2022

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he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Rm 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 11:1-13

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

“Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test.”

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the

heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

THE COURAGE TO PRAY

Prayer requires courage. Imagine the flutter in Abraham's heart when he asked God to consider the innocent who would suffer with the guilty in the destruction of evil cities! Who is Abraham to tell God what is just? Yet our every prayer of petition is roughly the same. With hearts fluttering, we ask God to act according to our perception. It's a bold thing to do.

Jesus encourages his disciples to pray with daring. He tells us to ask for God to reveal divinity to us! That's a big request. Jesus also teaches us to ask for more immediate and practical concerns like food, forgiveness, and to be spared the tug of sin on our hearts. Jesus says we can ask for anything in prayer, big or small, trusting the One who loves us desires our welfare more than we do. With confidence, then, let us pray.

What are the most common obstacles you face in prayer, and how can you overcome them?

"Ask and you'll get; seek and you'll find; knock and the door will open. Don't bargain with God. Be direct. Ask for what you need". *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(25 - 31 July)

- **Monday, 25:** St James (2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28)
- **Tuesday, 26:** Sts Joachim and Anne (Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43)
- **Wednesday, 27:** Weekday, Ord Time 17 (Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46)
- **Thursday, 28:** Weekday, Ord Time 17 (Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53)
- **Friday, 29:** Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus (1 Jn 4:7-16; Jn 11:19-27:)
- **Saturday, 30:** Weekday, Ord Time 17 (Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12)
- **Sunday 31:** 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21)

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.