



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

Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28

Hannah conceived and gave birth to a son, and called him Samuel 'since' she said 'I asked the Lord for him.'

When a year had gone by, the husband Elkanah went up again with all his family to offer the annual sacrifice to the Lord and to fulfil his vow. Hannah, however, did not go up, having said to her husband, 'Not before the child is weaned. Then I will bring him and present him before the Lord and he shall stay there for ever.'

When she had weaned him, she took him up with her together with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour and a skin of wine, and she brought him to the temple of the Lord at Shiloh; and the child was with them. They slaughtered the bull, and the child's mother came to Eli. She said, 'If you please, my lord. As you live, my lord, I am the woman who stood here beside you, praying to the Lord. This is the child I prayed for, and the Lord granted me what I asked him. Now I make him over to the Lord for the whole of his life. He is made over to the Lord.'

There she left him, for the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 83:2-3, 5-6, 9-10

How happy they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

SECOND READING

1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed, all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Open our heart, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.*

Alleluia!

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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

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.

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.

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"*

FRUITS OF FIRST PLENARY COUNCIL ASSEMBLY PUBLISHED

"I am delighted to communicate the Report for the first Plenary Council Assembly. [The Key Documents – Plenary Council \(catholic.org.au\)](https://www.catholic.org.au) (proposals from small groups and individuals).

In 2022 the Diocesan Pastoral Council as well as Parishes and Communities, and the Council of Priests in the Archdiocese will be encouraged to engage with the material. We will continue our shared discernment together as we further consider the recommendations from our own Diocesan Assembly and the first assembly of the Plenary Council and move towards the second Assembly and the Synod.

*In Domino,
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CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS

"I wish to communicate the following appointments I have made, all effective on the Feast of St Agnes, Friday 21st January, 2022

1. Vicar General

After 12 years of sterling service as either Vicar General or Apostolic Administrator's Delegate, Fr Philip Marshall has asked to be relieved of that role. I understand his request and am happy to accede to it. I take this opportunity to thank Philip for the manner in which he has, unstintingly, fulfilled these roles, often under difficult circumstances, yet always with generosity, compassion and wisdom. Thank you immensely Philip. A suitable opportunity will be found to thank him more formally at a later date.

I appoint Fr Dean Marin, hitherto Parish Priest of Mount Gambier

and Millicent Parishes, as my new Vicar General.

In addition to this role I have asked Fr Dean to coordinate the Vocations Team

2. Parishes of Murray Bridge, Murray Mallee & Mallee Border

As Administrator of these three Parishes I appoint Fr Philip Marshall. For the time being Fr Philip will retain his present residence and commute between his home and the Parish as required.

3. Parish of Payneham

Fr Allan Winter PP has asked to be relieved of the role of Parish Priest of Payneham. I accept his request to move to lesser duties.

As the new Parish Priest Payneham I appoint Fr Michael Romeo, hitherto Parish Priest of Penola to this role.

In addition to this role as Parish Priest of Payneham I have asked Fr Michael to take on a mission of studies to begin preparations to study for a licentiate in Canon Law.

4. Parishes of Mount Gambier & Millicent

As the new Parish priest of Mount Gambier & Millicent, I hereby appoint Fr Peter Zwanns, hitherto Parish Priest of Brooklyn Park-Richmond.

5. Parish of Brooklyn Park-Richmond

As Parish Priest of the Parish of Brooklyn Park- Richmond, I appoint Fr Long Hai, hitherto Assistant Priest in Croydon Parish.

6. Parish of Penola

As Parish Priest of the Parish of Penola, I appoint Fr Arul Dev, hitherto Assistant Priest at Noarlunga/Seaford and Willunga.

7. Parish of Noarlunga Seaford

I appoint as Assistant Priest of Noarlunga/Seaford and Willunga, Fr Dominick Okwadha, hitherto Assistant priest at Brighton and Hallett Cove

8. Parishes of Brighton and Hallett Cove |

I appoint as Assistant priest of Brighton and Hallett Cove Fr

Prathap Katta hitherto Assistant Priest at Noarlunga Seaford and Willunga.

9. **Parish of Kangaroo Island**
I have transferred Pastoral Care of the Parish of Kangaroo Island from Noarlunga Seaford Parish to henceforth be administered by the Cathedral Parish, Adelaide.

10. **Cathedral Parish of St Francis Xavier**
I appoint Deacon Paul Crowe to the staff of the Cathedral Parish.

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

THE CHURCH - THE FUTURE

*(Extract from an article by
Bishop Vincent Long)*

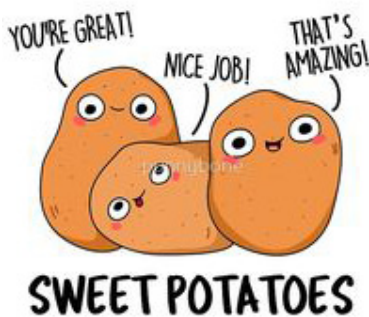
For the Church to flourish, it is crucial that we come to terms with the flaws of clericalism and move beyond its patriarchal and monarchical matrix. What is urgent is that we need to find fresh ways of being Church and fresh ways of ministry and service for both men and women disciples. New wine into new wineskins! The new wine of God's unconditional love, radical inclusivity and equality needs to be poured into new wineskins of humility, mutuality, compassion and powerlessness. The old wineskins of triumphalism,

authoritarianism and supremacy, abetted by clerical power, superiority, and rigidity are breaking.

It is worth noting that at the recent Synod on the Amazon, the synod bishops say they consider it "urgent" for the Church to "promote and confer ministries for men and women in an equitable manner.

"It is the Church of baptised men and women that we must strengthen by promoting ministeriality and, above all, the awareness of baptismal dignity," they state. Beyond these generic statements, it remains to be seen how women can share in the decision-making power and institutionalised ministries in the Church.

The Church cannot have a better future if it persists in the old paradigm of triumphalism, self-reference and male dominance. So long as we continue to exclude women from the Church's governance structures, decision-making processes and institutional functions, we deprive ourselves of the richness of our full humanity. So long as we continue to make women invisible and inferior in the Church's language, liturgy, theology and law, we impoverish ourselves. Until we have truly incorporated the gift of women and the feminine dimension of our Christian faith, we will not be able to fully energise the life of the Church. In the world where the rules are made by the strong and the structures of power favour the privileged, the Church must be true to its founding stories and responsive to the living presence of God. It must find ways to promote a community of equals and empower men and women disciples to share their gifts for human flourishing and the growth of the Kingdom."



ROSTERS

ALDINGA
Commentator
Readers

Saturday 25 December
The usual 5.30pm Saturday evening Mass will not be held at Galilee on Christmas Day

Saturday 01 January
Chris McWilliams
Robert Daly
Angela Trembath

NORMANVILLE
Welcomer
Commentator
Reader
Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 26 December
Nigel Pile
Judy Millington
Trish Bohnsack
Nigel Pile, Leo Montgomery

Sunday, 02 January
Peter Lloyd
Ena Harvey
Mary Kennedy
Nigel Pile, Leo Montgomery

WILLUNGA
Commentator
Reader
Flowers
Church Linen

Sunday, 26 December
Vanda Farrall
Megan Chapman
Michael Hynes
Michael Hynes

Sunday, 02 January
Gael Maloney
Anna Rogers
Michael Hynes
Anna Rogers

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: Joseph Wallace, Jeff Gray

Anniversary: Ryan Trembath, Anne and Ian Haese

DATES

- 25 Dec Christmas Day
- 25 Dec Appeal - Caritas Australia and Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
- 1 Jan New Year's Day
- 3 Jan New Year's Day holiday
- 26 Jan Australia Day
- 31 Jan School resumes for 2022
- 14 Mar Adelaide Cup Day
- 14 Apr Last day School Term 1
- 15 Apr Good Friday
- 16 Apr Holy Saturday
- 17 Apr Easter Day
- 18 Apr Easter Monday
- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 13 Jun Queen's birthday holiday
- 3 Oct Labour Day holiday

How to say hi in Mandarin



Chick Magnet



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 21 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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GOSPEL

Luke 2:41-52

Every year the parents of Jesus used to go to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up for the feast as usual. When they were on their way home after the feast, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem without his parents knowing it. They assumed he was with the caravan, and it was only after a day's journey that they went to look for him among their relations and acquaintances. When they failed to find him they went back to Jerusalem looking for him everywhere.

Three days later they found him in the Temple, sitting among the doctors, listening to them, and asking them questions; and all those who heard him were astounded at his intelligence and his replies. They were overcome when they saw him, and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.

'Why were you looking for me?' he replied. 'Did you not know that I must be busy with my Father's affairs?' But they did not understand what he meant. He then went down with them and came to Nazareth and lived under their authority His mother stored up all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and men.

GOSPEL BACKGROUND

Mary, Joseph, and Jesus are presented in today's Gospel as a faithful Jewish family. They are participating in the annual pilgrimage to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, an event shared each year with family and friends. When Jesus is found, Luke describes him as seated in the Temple in the midst of the Jewish teachers. Although he is young, Jesus seems not to need teaching about his Jewish tradition. In his dialogue with these learned teachers, Jesus astounds them

with his insight and understanding. Jesus is a child of Israel. His Father is God.

The dialogue between Mary and Jesus contains many references to family relationships. In fact, in this Gospel reading Mary and Joseph are never identified by name. Instead they are referred to by their relationship to Jesus. Ultimately, this emphasizes Luke's point about the identity of Jesus. When Mary and Joseph find Jesus in the Temple, they question Jesus and express their anxiety. Jesus replies in words that many have thought to be disrespectful. Jesus says that he was never lost; he was at home. Jesus is God's Son, and he is in his Father's house. Luke will continue to suggest that faith in Jesus establishes new family relationships as he describes Jesus' public ministry.

In Luke's Gospel, Mary's importance is even greater than her role as Jesus' mother. Mary is the first disciple and will be present with Jesus' disciples after his Resurrection at Pentecost to work through her so that salvation might come to everyone. Because of this, Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan for salvation. *Loyola Press*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(December 27 - January 2)

- **Monday, 27:** St John (1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:2-8)
- **Tuesday, 28:** The Holy Innocents (1 Jn 1:5 - 2:2; Mt 2:13-18)
- **Wednesday, 29:** 5th day in Octave of the Nativity (1Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35)
- **Thursday, 30:** 6th day in Octave of the Nativity (1Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40)
- **Friday, 31:** 7th day in Octave of the Nativity (1Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42)
- **Saturday, 01:** MARY, the Holy MOTHER OF GOD (Num 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21)
- **Sunday 02:** The EPIPHANY of the LORD (Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12)

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).