



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)

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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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

Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery?

Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief.

Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?'

Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!'

Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind.

Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 146:1-6

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

I do not boast of preaching the

gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessing.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 8:17

Alleluia, alleluia!

He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew.

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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)

Please Note

We are still required to comply with the 1:2sqm restriction. St Joseph's can accommodate 75 for Mass, St Peter's 26 and Mary of Galilee 45 (plus approx 90 in the adjoining Hall). Bookings are essential for St Peter's - phone Patricia Litvensky (0448 783 288).

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 94:6-7

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

17 February, 2021

9.00am St Joseph's Willunga
9.15am Galilee, Aldinga
12.00 noon St Peter's, Normanville
7.00pm St Joseph's, Willunga

LENT – 2021

The season of Lent is a penitential season of prayer, penance and reaching out to others. In this way the whole Church prepares for the celebration of Easter with those who are to be Baptised.

Project Compassion is a practical means of enabling us to reach out in generosity to those in need. This year Caritas Australia is supporting the promotion of many food programs throughout the world where the risk of starvation is high.

What is Fasting and Abstaining?

Fasting is for Catholics between the ages of 18 and 60 years, unless they have particular health requirements or are sick. Fasting is to have perhaps one meal for the day or to have two smaller meals that equal one meal (with no snacks). Remember to drink lots of water! Fasting is about being more alert. It helps us to heighten our senses and consciousness (as the monks in the desert discovered centuries ago), to aid our prayer, and to name our deeper desires so that we

can be ready to listen to God more openly.

Abstinence is for Catholics between the ages of 14 and 60 years, unless they have particular health requirements or are sick. We are to abstain from meat only on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday. Some people choose to do this every Friday of Lent, but this is not required by the Church!

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Day of the Unborn Child Appeal

Next weekend (February 13/14 Feb) there will be a Special Collection for the Day of the Unborn Child.

In the Archdiocese of Adelaide, the Day of the Unborn Child occurs on the Feast of the Annunciation, March 25. As this feast day falls during Lent it was felt it would be more appropriate to hold the Appeal earlier in the year.

This special collection supports the work undertaken by Birthline, Right to Life in South Australia, Matercare Australia & 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 childbearing loss, whether miscarriage, stillbirth, 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.

NO REST FOR THE WEARY

Every time I hear the story of Simon Peter's mother-in-law, I stand amazed: The woman is lying in bed, sick with a fever when Jesus takes her hand, pulls her up, and instantly cures her. She then waits on him and his mates.

On the one hand, I want to say to Peter, "Gee whiz, could you give your mother-in-law a break and make your own darn sandwiches!" On the other hand, I want to say to Jesus, "Hey, Lord, how about sending more of that super energy my way. I could really use it around six in the evening after a gruelling day at work, when I'm greeted by my family's hunger pangs, daily accumulation of dirt and clutter, and inability to do much more than act irrationally".

Like Job I often lament that my days are those of a hireling. And I know I am not alone. As far as I can tell, anyone working is overextended, and fatigue can lead to despair. The best prevention is a moment of thanks each day for our many blessings - including our messy relatives and our challenging jobs.

Gratitude, no doubt, motivated Peter's mother-in-law. Jesus made her well, and she responded with hospitality. I do hope, however, that she found time to rest after Jesus finished curing the whole town on her doorstep. (OK, I just have to ask: Guys, couldn't you have found a better place to do the rest of your healing?) *GPBS eNews*

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

celebrates World Marriage Day every year on the second Sunday of February all over the world to honour husbands and wives for their commitment and love towards each other and their families. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily-married life. The theme is "Love one another".

Couple Prayer: "Father, as we prepare for World Marriage Day, we thank you for your tremendous gift of the Sacrament of Marriage. Help us to witness to its glory by a life of growing intimacy. Teach us the beauty of forgiveness so we may become more and more One in Heart, Mind and Body. Strengthen our dialogue and help us become living signs of your love. Make us grow more in love with the church so we may renew the Body of Christ. Make us a sign of unity in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Brother. Amen".



"High sodium, high cholesterol, lots of toxins - your blood test is remarkably similar to a potato chip!"

WEBINAR

Vaccines, Viruses and Vulnerabilities: Catholic health and care of the human person

The ACU Faculty of Theology and Philosophy in partnership with Catholic Health Australia (CHA) is running a FREE webinar event that brings together international experts and thought leaders to discuss mental health, public health and the question of solidarity in the face of this global pandemic. The first event is taking place on the World Day of the Sick - Thursday, 11 February.

Registration is essential via: www.acu.edu.au/wdos2021

HOUSE SHARING

If you know of an older woman who lives alone, but is almost ready to downsize (and share expenses) and may find house-sharing with another older woman a good alternative to selling up and moving, please get in touch with either Sr Margaret Ann or Gael and we will put you in touch with the lady making the inquiry.

“THE SOUTHERN CROSS”
Available this weekend.

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

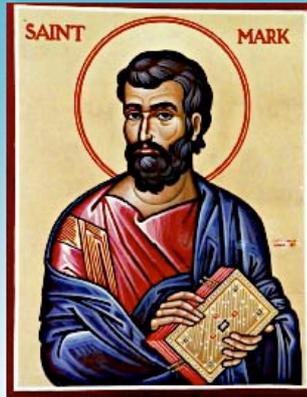
Sick: Val and George Gater, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Judy Hore, Arthur Jones, Violet Gilli, Colin and Roma Whitford, Deanne Bostock, Vence Sulda, Leonie Zeven

Anniversaries: Elizabeth and Terry Fitzpatrick

Congratulations to Fr Josy on the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood.

Three Lenten E-Retreats with Mark's Gospel

Lead by Rev Dr Michael Trainor



The story of Jesus' death and resurrection offers a profound narrative to retreat with Jesus in his suffering, death and resurrection and explore its meaning for ourselves during Lent 2021. It offers a wonderful spiritual preparation for Holy Week.

Join in via Zoom to these three e-retreats on Saturday mornings, 10-11am:

- **Saturday 6 March:** Jesus' last meal and his Gethsemane agony (Mk 14.1-52)
- **Saturday 13 March:** Jesus' religious and civic trials (Mk 14.53-15.20)
- **Saturday 20 March:** Jesus' death and resurrection (Mk 15.21-16.8)

If you would like to join me for these three one-hour sessions, send me your email address (to my email: michael.trainor@acu.edu.au), and I shall forward the ZOOM link for each of the three sessions. Log into Zoom at least 15 minutes before 10am, so that we are all ready to commence precisely on the hour.

ROSTERS

ALDINGA
Commentator
Readers

Saturday 6 February
Michelle Cormack
Heidi Davidson
Peter Laffan

Saturday 13 February
Tricia Dundon
Peter Laffan
Ken Creevey

NORMANVILLE

Sunday, 7 February
To be advised

Sunday, 14 February
To be advised

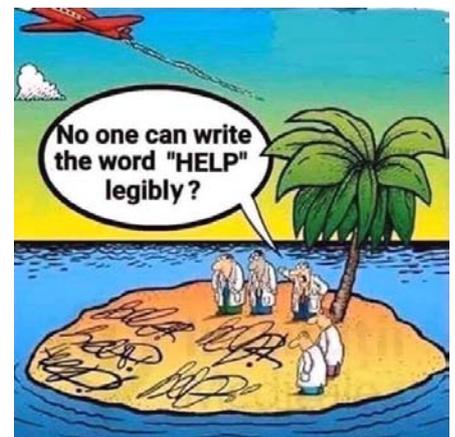
WILLUNGA
Commentator
Reader
Church Cleaning
Church Linen

Sunday, 7 February
Marie Andrews
Margaret Guley
Christina Rasera
Anna Rogers

Sunday, 14 February
Gael Maloney
Marie Cester
Michael Hynes
Margaret Guley

- ### DATES
- Feb 14 Project Compassion begins
 - Feb 17 Ash Wednesday
 - 9.00am - St Joseph's
 - 9.15am - Mary of Galilee
 - 12.00 noon - St Peter's
 - 7.00pm - St Joseph's
 - Feb 21 First Sunday of Lent
 - Mar 8 Adelaide Cup Day
 - 1 Apr Holy Thursday
 - 2 Apr Good Friday
 - 3 Apr Holy Saturday
 - 4 Apr Easter Day
 - 5 Apr Easter Monday
 - 9 Apr Last day School Term 1
 - 25 Apr ANZAC Day
 - 26 Apr ANZAC Day public holiday
 - 27 Apr First day School Term 2
 - 14 Jun Queen's birthday holiday
 - 4 Oct Labour Day holiday

- *So many coronavirus jokes out there - it's a pandemic.*
- *Now is not the right time to surround yourself with positive people.*
- *I'll tell you a coronavirus joke now, but you'll have to wait two weeks to see if you got it.*



Ship-wrecked doctors

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(Current for 23/24 January)

- Attendees at Mass must maintain social distancing of 1:2 sqm.
- Funerals are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- Weddings are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided.
- Except for families and household groups, people should socially distance. There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- 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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Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

EXPLORING THE WORD

In touching Simon's mother-in-law and then allowing her to serve him, Jesus is breaking down traditional barriers. He brings wholeness and holiness to her by his presence. The Kingdom of God cannot tolerate prejudice and taboo just as sickness and evil have no place in the Kingdom.

This text shows us a typical day for Jesus—the first of his ministry. He listens to the Word of God, then worships with his community; he relaxes in the home of a friend; he pursues his work of healing and preaching and, before dawn, he withdraws alone to develop his relationship with the Father through prayer. There is a wonderful pattern of balance here between prayer, work and rest.

When the disciples find him, they want him to return to Capernaum to

the acclaim he is receiving. Instead, Jesus insists that the boundaries of the Kingdom be pushed out. The Kingdom of God must reach further and further. It is for this that he came!

DID YOU KNOW?

- In Capernaum, archaeological excavations have uncovered a house, close by the synagogue, which has ancient inscriptions suggesting it is the house of Peter.
- The Jewish Sabbath begins at sunset on Friday and lasts until sunset on Saturday. As the day of God's rest, work was not permitted. That is why Jesus only begins his work of healing after sunset.

SHARING THE TRADITION

There are many different ways for Christians to pray: private meditation or contemplative prayer, the repeated mantras of Taizé style prayer, prayer through song, praying the Scriptures, the Rosary, and the liturgy as the formal public prayer of the Church. There are prayers of blessing and adoration, prayers of petition or intercession, prayers of thanksgiving and prayers of praise. The faithful can pray to the Father, the Son, the Spirit, or to Mary or particular saints as intercessors.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(08 - 14 February)

- **Mon, 8:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 5 (Gen 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56)
- **Tues, 9:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 5 (Gen 1:20 - 2:4; Mk 7:1-13)
- **Wed, 10:** St Scholastica (Gen 2:4-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23)
- **Thur, 11:** Weekday, Ord Time 5 (Gen 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30)
- **Fri, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 5 (Gen 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37)
- **Sat, 13:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 5 (Gen 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10)
- **Sun 11:** SIXTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Lev 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Cor 10:31 - 11:1; Mk 1:40-45)

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).