



Welcome to

# Willunga Catholic Parish

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

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A**

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## **MASS CENTRES**

- Mary of Galilee, cnr Quinliven and How Roads, ALDINGA - Galilee
- St Peter's, Cape Jervis Road, 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 20:7-9**

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughing-stock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'

The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.'

Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps 62:2-6, 8-9**

*My soul is thirsting for you,  
O Lord my God.*

## **SECOND READING**

**Romans 12:1-2**

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is

the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Eph 1:17, 18**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.  
Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

**Matthew 16:21-27**

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said 'this must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it;'  
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# Bulletin Board

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

## WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

## PRIEST ROSTER WEEKENDS

(This roster may change

if something unforeseen crops up)

02 Sep 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Dominick  
03 Sep 8.30am - Willunga, Fr Tom  
10.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick  
09 Sep 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Tom  
10 Sep 8.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick  
10.30am - Willunga, Fr Dominick  
16 Sep 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy  
17 Sep 8.30am - Willunga, Fr Josy  
10.30am - N/ville, Fr Josy  
23 Sep 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Dominick  
8.30am - N/ville, Fr Josy  
10.30am - Willunga, Fr Tom

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

## BLESSING OF MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

*Sunday September 17*

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 that weekend.

## ST JOSEPH'S ROSTERS

September is the last month of the current roster for the Ministries associated with Mass at St Joseph's.

If you are not on the roster and would like to be, are no longer able to help out, or know you are going to be away for some time during the next six months, please contact Marie Andrews (0423 508 746).

*Marie Andrews*

## SEPTEMBER IS CATHOLIC CHARITIES MONTH

*Help make a difference to the lives of South Australians*

In the month of September, we are promoting the Catholic Charities

Appeal which supports the following agencies in South Australia: Hutt St Centre, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Centacare Catholic Family Services, Our Lady of La Vang and St Patrick's Special Schools.

Make a donation:

- online:  
[www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au)
- post:  
Catholic Charities Appeal, Reply Paid 912, GPO Adelaide, SA 5001
- scan the QR code:



## FIRST COMMUNION AT MARY OF GALILEE

Congratulations to the ten children from our Parish who were welcomed last Saturday to the Table of the Lord for the first time. Their names are:- Alaula Sampson, Angus Roma, Billy Turner, Elexa Rescate, Felix Sheehy, Harriet Moore, Harriette Barlow, Hudson Dicks, Noah Ellis-Hayes and Parker Dicks.

We welcome them to full membership of our Parish community and pray for them as they take this next step in their faith journey, and hope that they and their families will continue to be involved in our parish life, and join us often for the celebration of the Eucharist.

*Kim Calderbank (Galilee Campus) and Sr Margaret Ann*

## GALILEE MINISTRY ROSTER

Galilee Ministry Roster, will soon be updated. If you need to change your commitment please notify Chris McWilliams (0451 144 776).

We need more readers for this roster. We also desperately require drivers to transport parishioners in the Aldinga area. If you can offer help even fortnightly or monthly, please let us know.

*Chris McWilliams*

## MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY

You are invited to the Archdiocesan Migrant and Refugee Sunday – Multicultural Mass in St Francis

Xavier's Cathedral for the 109th World Day of Migrant and Refugees; commemorated in Australia on Sunday, September 24.

For more information contact the Office for Justice Healing and Inclusion (phone 8210 8140 or [Multiculturaloffice@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:Multiculturaloffice@adelaide.catholic.org.au))

## PRELIMINARY NOTICE - CHAMBER PHILHARMONIA COLOGNE

Chamber Philharmonia Cologne have confirmed they are available for two concerts at St Joseph's on Sunday 28 January, 2024 - one at 3.00pm and a later one at 8.00pm. Put the date in your calendar now.

As soon as we know how much the tickets are, we will let you know. We always give our parishioners the opportunity to book before the posters start going up around the district.

The tickets make great Christmas presents for those difficult-to-buy-for people.

## "THE SOUTHERN CROSS"

The September edition of The Southern Cross will be available in parishes this weekend.

This issue includes detailed coverage of the 2023 Social Justice Statement, World Youth Day celebrations in Adelaide and other local events such as the Season of Creation and Catholic Schools Music Festival.

## ONE HUMANITY CHARITY CONCERT Discounted Tickets

On February 6 this year two earthquakes struck southern and central Turkey and northern and



western Syria. The confirmed death toll is 50,783 in Turkey and 8,476 in Syria. It is the deadliest earthquake in what is now present-day Turkey and Syria. Natural disasters inflict trauma, claiming lives, shattering hopes and dreams, and devastating communities.

Nevertheless, these catastrophic events serve as poignant reminders of our ONE HUMANITY, prompting us to come together, support one another, and seek refuge in times of need.

An important charity concert on September 23 at Her Majesty's Theatre in Adelaide will raise funds for those affected by the devastating earthquakes. The Charity Concert will feature spectacular multicultural performances and will be hosted by Shanelle Franklin (presenter + podcaster) and George Donikian (former radio and television news presenter/personality).

Tickets have been reduced from \$70 to \$50. [Ticketek Website](#) or [Adelaide](#)



[Festival Centre Website](#) This show is made possible by Adelaide Festival Centre, SA Government, University of Adelaide, Pinnacle College, UNHCR, Australian Relief Organisation, Australian Migrant Resource Centre.

**COLUMBAN CALENDARS**

Place an order for your 2024 Columban Calendar now. This year they are \$10 each. Please put the correct money in an envelope (clearly marked with your name) and hand it to Sr Margaret Ann, or return it to the Parish Office.

**CUPPA AFTER MASS**

All parishioners are welcome to join with others for a cuppa in The Shed at Willunga after Mass today (Sunday 3 August).



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE FATHERS

*Whatever you do, always give 100% ..... unless you're donating blood.*

**ROSTERS**

**ALDINGA** *Saturday 02 September*  
 Welcomer Rose Sulda  
 Commentator David Manders  
 Readers Tricia Dundon  
 Chris McWilliams  
 Eucharistic Minister Maria Jarvis-Maack

*Saturday 09 September*  
 Andrew Woodhouse  
 Cristina Tiedje  
 Vivi Boucher  
 Heidi Davidson  
 Kerri Gould

**NORMANVILLE** *Sunday, 03 September*  
 Welcomer Peter Lloyd  
 Commentator Jim Fitzpatrick  
 Reader Trish Bohnsack  
 Altar/Cleaning Patsy and Jim Fitzpatrick

*Sunday, 10 September*  
 Peter Bohnsack  
 Michael Steller  
 Ann Henriksen  
 Patsy and Jim Fitzpatrick

**WILLUNGA** *Sunday, 03 September*  
 Commentator Marie Andrews  
 Reader Ian La Ronde  
 Eucharistic Minister Chris Dzamko  
 Flowers Marie Andrews  
 Church Linen Margaret Oomens

*Sunday, 10 September*  
 Margaret Guley  
 Andrew Beach  
 Denny Ford  
 Mary Moore  
 Viv Zagajewska

**PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Sick:** Janet Burbidge, Rainer Maack, Adrian Andrews, Vi Corkin, Deirdre Boyd, Jim Smith, Stephen Bostock, Janette McIver, Anne-Marie

**Recently deceased:** Pierina Valente (*Pierina's funeral - Thursday 7 at 11.00am at St Joseph's*)

**DATES**

- Sep Catholic Charities Month
- 3 Sep Fathers' Day
- 29 Sep Last day School term 3
- 2 Oct Labour Day
- 16 Oct First day School term 4
- 22 Oct World Mission Day
- 12 Nov Vinnies Christmas Appeal
- 15 Dec Last day School term 4
- 25 Dec Catholic Charities Appeal
- 14 Jan Women's Tour Down Under event - Willunga
- 20 Jan Men's Tour Down Under event - Willunga
- 28 Jan Philharmonia Cologne concerts 3pm and 8pm - St Joseph's

**COLLECTIONS**

*26/27 August and 02/03 September*

First collection	\$744.00
Second collection	\$507.00
Envelopes	\$374.00

*(Direct debits not included)*

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.



**Tatachilla Lutheran College**  
 Sunday 24 September | 3 pm

Conducted by Graham Abbott  
 Soloists: Ruth Blythman,  
 Robert Macfarlane, Pelham Andrews  
 Big Sing Chorus  
 Adelaide Concert Orchestra



Book your tickets today  
[bigsing.org.au](http://bigsing.org.au) or scan QR code

## COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 31/08/23)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact

### DID YOU KNOW?

- This text marks the beginning of the fourth major section of Matthew's Gospel which follows Jesus' journey to Jerusalem and death.
- The word 'Satan' originally meant adversary or accuser. Later it came to mean personified evil. Here Jesus uses it figuratively of Peter who does not yet understand the meaning of Jesus' mission.
- The name Peter comes from the Latin word for rock. In last week's gospel, Jesus named Peter the rock on which the Church would be built. Today that rock has become a stumbling block in Jesus' path!

### KIDS' CORNER

Many of Jesus' followers wanted him to get rid of their harsh, unjust rulers and become their new leader. Some of them wanted him to build a kingdom on earth where they could have a little more power. But Jesus didn't do things the way people expected. He didn't lead battles. He laid down his life for all of us on the Cross. He showed us how much God loves us. And he asks us to love one another, just as he does. That's not what people expected. It's much, much better!

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but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

### WE DESERVE BETTER, DON'T WE?

*Then Jesus went to town on his disciples. "Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the driver's seat; I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how. Self-help is no help at all. Self-sacrifice is the way, my way, to finding yourself, your true self. What kind of deal is it to get everything you want but lose yourself? What could you ever trade your soul for?" (Matthew 16: 24 - 26)*

Who among us hasn't thought: "I've worked so hard, been honest and true, I deserve rest and reward". That only seems fair and reasonable. Good people deserve good lives – it's the presupposition of most cultures – and the essence of the Australian dream.

Like Peter, we find it hard to believe that decent people could end in ignominious failure. Who wants to see themselves or their heroes ridiculed and reviled? Peter's "say it ain't so, Lord," is a very human response to such disheartening news.

But Jesus says not only is it so but to think otherwise is the work of the devil. The minute we begin to believe that we are entitled to a life free from sacrifice, we are not thinking as God does – for our God continually offers God's-self in sacrifice to us. Throughout his years in ministry, Jesus reminds us that true joy and rest come with discipleship – with following God's way of compassion and justice.

So perhaps it's time to take stock of your expectations. If you are hoping for your just rewards, you will be sorely disappointed, no matter how much money you make or fame you achieve. If, on the other hand, you are

preparing for the many difficult days ahead by strengthening your love and commitment to others and to God, then you have already tapped into your heavenly treasure.

### DUPED BY GOD

(Matthew 16: 21 - 27)

Peter must have felt duped by God when Jesus rebuked him. What did he say that was so bad? When Jesus foretold of his future suffering and death, Peter took what he considered an appropriate defensive stand. Not you, Lord! Never!

Only moments earlier, he had called Jesus the Messiah. Peter's understanding of that term meant conquering hero, not suffering servant of God's will. Peter liked to imagine victory achieved without a scratch. Victory gained at the cost of ultimate sacrifice was no victory in his mind. If Peter was duped, it was how own preconceptions about God and religion that betrayed him. Gaining the world at the price of the soul was no bargain. But losing everything for the sake of God's victory is the one purchase we all want to consider.

For what are you willing to suffer (love, money, justice, peace, the truth)? How much are you willing to suffer for these things?

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### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(4 - 10 September)

- **Monday, 4:** Weekday, Ord Time 22 (1 Thess 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30)
- **Tuesday, 5:** Weekday, Ord Time 22 (1 Thess 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37)
- **Wednesday, 6:** Weekday, Ord Time 22 (Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44)
- **Thursday, 7:** Weekday, Ord Time 22 (Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11)
- **Friday, 8:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Micah 5:1-4; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23)
- **Saturday, 9:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 22 (Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5)
- **Sunday 10:** 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Ezek 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20)

### 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.