



Welcome to

# Willunga Catholic Parish

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

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A**

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## **PARISH OFFICE**

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## **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

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Position pending

## **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**

*Genesis 12:1-4*

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing.

'I will bless those who bless you:  
I will curse those who slight you.  
All the tribes of the earth  
shall bless themselves by you.'

So Abram went as the Lord told him.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22*

*Lord, let your mercy be on us,  
as we place our trust in you.*

## **SECOND READING**

*2 Timothy 1:8-10*

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the

Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Mt 17:5*

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

## **GOSPEL**

*Matthew 17:1-9*

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' (Cont page 4)



# Bulletin Board

## REGULAR MASS TIMES

(resumes beginning of December)

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
1 <sup>st</sup> Fri	9.00am - Willunga 12.00noon - Normanville

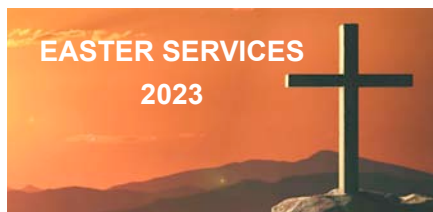
## WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

## PRIEST ROSTER - WEEKENDS

(This roster may change if something unforeseen crops up)

4 Mar	5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy
5 Mar	8.30am - Willunga, Fr Dominick 10.30am - N/ville, Fr Tom
11 Mar	5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Tom
12 Mar	8.30am - N/ville, Fr Josy 10.30am - Willunga, Fr Josy
18 Mar	5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy
19 Mar	8.30am - Willunga, Fr Tom 10.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick
25 Mar	5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Dominick
26 Mar	8.30am - N/ville, Fr Josy 10.30am - Willunga, Fr Josy



## EASTER SERVICES 2023

- **Holy Thursday (6 April)** •  
St Peter's, Normanville 5.00pm  
Mary of Galilee, Aldinga 5.30pm  
St Joseph's, Willunga 7.30pm
- **Good Friday (7 April)** •  
Mary of Galilee, Aldinga 9.30am  
(Stations of Cross)  
Mary of Galilee, Aldinga 3.00pm  
St Peter's, Normanville 3.00pm  
St Joseph's, Willunga 3.00pm
- **Saturday Vigil (8 April)** •  
Mary of Galilee, Aldinga 5.30pm  
St Joseph's, Willunga 7.30pm
- **Easter Sunday (9 April)** •  
St Joseph's, Willunga 8.30am  
St Peter's, Normanville 9.30am  
(Normanville Mass will be held at  
Club Fleurieu, 140-142 Main South  
Road, Yankalilla)

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday is always celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter (this year 16 April). Our celebration will be held at St. Luke's Church, Noarlunga. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament starts at 2.00pm, with the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation, with several priests available. This time includes the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. Mass will begin at 3.00pm with the solemn blessing of the Divine Mercy Image. There will be no 5.30pm Mass at St Luke's that day.

*On Sunday April 30 2000, Pope John Paul II announced, "First Sunday of Easter will be called Divine Mercy Sunday throughout the whole world"*

## CRAFT GROUP

Galilee Creative Corner would appreciate donations of material remnants, (especially cotton). Please contact Sr Margaret Ann or Vivi Boucher 0490 331 935, or leave donations at Mass. The group meets alternate Tuesdays in Galilee Community Room from 11.00am until about 1.30pm. Share ideas, be guided, or bring your own individual activity.

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2023

*Wednesday March 8*

### Uluru Statement of the Heart & Voice to Parliament Referendum

Leith Mynott, First Nations woman, and Kenise Neill, Sister of St Joseph, will facilitate a conversation on the Uluru Statement of the Heart and the Voice to Parliament Referendum, highlighting actions and outcomes desperately needed for First Nations Peoples. Hosted by the SA Josephite Companions we will gather in recognition of Mary MacKillop, a great Australian woman whose life reflected inclusion and integrity and brought hope to others. Mary MacKillop Precinct, 4 High Street, Kensington at 7.00pm. Enquiries and registration: [SA.Companions@sosj.org.au](mailto:SA.Companions@sosj.org.au) or 0417 871 904.

### "THE SOUTHERN CROSS"

The March edition of "The Southern Cross" will be available for sale in parishes this weekend. This month's issue includes coverage of the visit of Sr Nathalie Becquart, one of the most influential women working in the Vatican; a feature on youth groups in

the Archdiocese and profiles on Fr Denis Travers CP and two new Catholic school principals.

## PROJECT COMPASSION



Teresa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with home-lessness while raising her four children. At just 16 years old, she had to leave school after falling

pregnant with her first child. A single mother struggling with home-lessness, Teresa's only concern was finding stability for her children.

Seeking a better future for her family, Teresa joined Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation's Young Mums and Bubs Group, supported by Caritas Australia. Baabayn helped Teresa access housing and psychological support. Today, Teresa is studying a certificate in Community Services so that she can strengthen her skills and give back to her community.

Teresa now works at Baabayn, providing support to young mothers and mentoring the next generation of young people.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes or envelopes, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or phone 1800 024 413.





**PADNINTHI  
WALKING TOGETHER**

You are invited to join *First Nations Aboriginal Elder John Lochowiak and Father Tom Gleeson* in an opening to Aboriginal culture, connection, community and acknowledgement of past, present and future.

The aim of this day is to raise awareness and ignite ideas that will bring about evolutionary movement of recognition of Aboriginal People through our pastoral care and guidance for all.

**Schedule of events**

Friday 10 March  
Bethany Hall,

33 St Andrews Terrace, Willunga

- 9.30 - 10.00am Welcome to Country, Smoking Ceremony
- 10.00 - 10.10am Welcome, overview of day
- 10.10 - 10.40am What is Culture?
- 10.40 - 11.00am Morning Tea
- 11.00 - 12.00pm On Country as we walk to a sacred place to sit and listen.
- 12.00 - 1.00pm Tjukurrpa past, present and future
- 1.00 - 1.30pm Lunch
- 1.30 - 2.00pm Collaboration of ideas and connection through art intention
- 2.00 - 2.30pm Discussion of ideas and action for community moving forward



**ROSTERS**

**ALDINGA Saturday 04 March**  
 Welcomer Andre W, Christina T  
 Commentator Chris McWilliams  
 Readers Heidi Davidson  
 David Manders  
 Eucharistic Minister Brigid Grimwood

**NORMANVILLE Sunday, 05 March**  
 Welcomer Leo Montgomery  
 Commentator Jim Fitzpatrick  
 Reader Thia Van Kyuk  
 Altar/Cleaning Patsy & Jim Fitzpatrick

**WILLUNGA Sunday, 05 March**  
 Commentator Anna Rogers  
 Reader Norman Lee  
 Eucharistic Minister Marie Cester  
 Flowers No flowers - Lent  
 Church Linen Margaret Guley

**Saturday 11 March**  
 L & N Ellis, K Manders  
 David Manders  
 Rod Boucher  
 Vivi Boucher  
 Judy Driscoll

**Sunday, 12 March**  
 Peter Lloyd  
 Trish Bohnsack  
 Mary Kennedy  
 Patsy & Jim Fitzpatrick

**Sunday, 12 March**  
 John Tregeagle  
 Ian La Ronde  
 Chris Dzamko  
 No flowers - Lent  
 Viv Zagajewska

If you would like to join us please RSVP to: [marie@travelthemind.com](mailto:marie@travelthemind.com)

Questions to : Father Tom Gleeson - [tegleeson@bigpond.com](mailto:tegleeson@bigpond.com)

A donation on the day to help cover the costs of running the program would be appreciated.

**menALIVE WEEKEND**

menALIVE is a national Catholic ministry with the purpose of bringing men together to renew their faith in God and encourage them to become an active force within the Church.

Henley Beach Parish's menALIVE weekend is being held on March 25 and 26 in the Marine Science Centre at Henley Beach, conducted by experienced leaders from the local menALIVE Team.

Could you benefit from a weekend featuring talks, personal testimonies, opportunities for discussion, and space to reflect? Since menALIVE commenced in 2003, thousands of Catholic men have been encouraged and inspired at weekends across Australia. Enquiries: Dennis Hoiberg (0418 384 619) or Glyn Ashman (0417 800 148).

**OLD SCHOLARS  
REUNION LUNCH**

**Marist Bros Alberton and Thebarton and Mount Carmel Girls School**

March 19, 2023

Behind Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 17 Pennington Terrace  
 Cost: \$15 per head

Menu: Chicken salad and Strudel  
 Drinks available to purchase

Contacts:  
 Peter Bodington (0402 842 315)  
 Pat Hoy (0408 447 646)  
 Carmel (0400 667 123)

**PLEASE KEEP THESE  
PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Sick:** Muriel Smith, Janet Burbidge, Rainer Maaack, Adrian Andrews, Vi Corkin, Deirdre Boyd

**Recently deceased:** Giulio Dalla Rosa (*Giulio's funeral was held on Thursday 2 March at St Joseph's*)

**Anniversary:** Anne Crosbie

**DATES**

- 7 Mar Creative Corner
- 7 Mar Adelaide Cup Day
- 17 Mar St Patrick's Day
- 17 Mar Coffee group - Louis
- 21 Mar Creative Corner
- 31 Mar Coffee group - Louis
- 14 Apr Last day School term 1
- 4 Apr Creative Corner
- 6 Apr Thursday of Lord's Supper
- 7 Apr Good Friday
- 8 Apr Holy Saturday
- 9 Apr Easter Sunday
- 10 Apr Easter Monday
- 14 Apr Coffee group - Louis
- 16 Apr Divine Mercy Sunday
- 18 Apr Creative Corner
- 21 Apr Marian Procession
- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 28 Apr Coffee group - Louis
- 1 May First day School term 2
- 12 Jun King's birthday
- 7 Jul Last day School term 2
- 24 Jul First day School term 3
- 29 Sep Last day School term 3
- 2 Oct Labour Day
- 16 Oct First day School term 4
- 15 Dec Last day School term 4

**TÜRKIYE AND SYRIA  
EARTHQUAKE DISASTER**

The 7.8 magnitude earthquake has unleashed devastation on Türkiye and Syria, leaving thousands of people dead, with this number expected to rise dramatically. Your support to help those affected by this catastrophe is invaluable. Your generous donation means our partners in Turkey and Syria can respond swiftly to support the survivors of this unimaginable tragedy. Visit: [www.caritas.org.au/syria-turkey](http://www.caritas.org.au/syria-turkey) or call 1800 024 413 toll free to donate now.

**PRAYER FOR UKRAINE**

O Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Grant peace and protection to the people of Ukraine. Give them strength and courage to defend what is good, right, and holy. Keep them safe from harm and provide for all their needs, both temporal and spiritual.

## COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

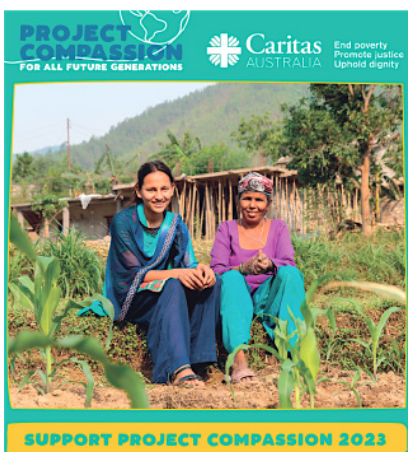
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- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Wearing of face-masks in Church is strongly recommended.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- 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?

- This event is known as ‘the transfiguration’.
- Moses was a great figure who represented the law for Israel. Elijah represented the prophets. Readings from the law and the prophets made up the Scriptures of Israel. Here Matthew shows Jesus in conversation with them; thus Jesus is in harmony with everything revealed in Judaism.
- The voice from heaven here echoes the words that were used at the baptism of Jesus.
- Traditionally, this scene of the transfiguration is associated with Mount Tabor, which rises out of the Plain of Esdraelon.



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When they heard this the disciples fell on their faces overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. ‘Stand up,’ he said ‘do not be afraid.’ And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, ‘Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.’

### DIVINE DESIGN

(Matthew 17: 1 - 9)

Jesus was changed before their eyes. Have you ever seen a transfiguration? Have you ever seen a simple thing become a holy thing, like bread become sacred flesh? Have you ever seen a plain face become a radiant beauty when seen through the eyes of love? Have you ever seen a timid person become a lion when circumstances required strength beyond fear? Transfiguration is not an isolated incident, a one-time deal in salvation history. Transfigurations happen around us in surprising places, for those who have eyes to see.

Sitting with my dying friend for many weeks, I watched how a weakened body can become a temple of great holiness. The spiritual strength of a failing mortal life was so much stronger than the physical vigour he once displayed. Before his illness, he scaled mountains for pleasure. In his last illness, he ascended to spiritual heights that astonished me with their breathtaking vistas. Once, he saw the view from the peaks of the Sierras, and hoped to climb Mount Kilimanjaro. Now, his vision is on higher places, and the things he sees are lovelier than all of earth’s delights. This is transfiguration, as surely as what Peter, James and John saw on that fateful day.

### PREPARE FOR THE LIGHT OF LOVE

Most people can pinpoint the moment when the attraction they felt for someone turned to love. It usually has to do with seeing the person in a new light. As one man described it, “One night I watched as a woman who had been my good friend for

many years gently stroked her dying mother’s forehead. I was struck by the sheer tenderness and beauty of the act. I knew then that my feelings for this woman were forever changed”.

Whether it is a simple act of kindness or a bold or courageous gesture, something happens that brings the person’s true character into relief, and the enlightenment leads to love.

Jesus’ Transfiguration is one of those moments of light – a luminous mystery – as Pope John Paul II termed it, in which Jesus is glorified – transfigured – before the eyes of his chosen disciples. They see with utter clarity who Jesus truly is: The son of the living God, and they are filled with awe and a new level of love. Their lives are changed forever.

We cannot command enlightenment any more than we can force ourselves to fall in love. But we can be attentive as we walk with others. The more we notice the small details about our neighbours and God, the more likely we’ll be awake when the big reveal takes place and we can see these people for who they truly are: Beings worthy of our unconditional love.

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### THIS WEEK’S READINGS

(09 - 15 March)

- **Monday, 09:** Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> week Lent (Dan 9:4-10; Lk 6:36-38)
- **Tuesday, 10:** Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> week Lent (Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12)
- **Wednesday, 11:** Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> week Lent (Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28)
- **Thursday, 12:** Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> week Lent (Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31)
- **Friday, 13:** Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> week Lent - (Gen 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46)
- **Saturday, 14:** Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> week Lent (Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32)
- **Sunday 15:** THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42)

### 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.