



Welcome to

# Willunga Catholic Parish

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

**PENTECOST - YEAR C**

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## **PARISH OFFICE**

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## **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

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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**

*Acts 2:1-11*

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our

own language about the marvels of God.'

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 24*

*Lord, send out your Spirit  
and renew the face of the earth.*

1. Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are. How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. <R>
2. You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. <R>
3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. <R>

## **SECOND READING**

*Romans 8:8-17*

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of

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## Bulletin Board

### MASS TIMES 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 6.00pm - Willunga

### WEEKEND MASSES

(NB: This roster may be changed if something unforeseen crops up)

07 Jun	5.30pm, Aldinga, Fr Julius
08 Jun	8.30am, N/ville, Fr Julius 10.30am, Willunga, Fr Tom
14 Jun	5.30pm, Aldinga, Fr Dominick
15 Jun	8.30am, Willunga, Fr Dominick 10.30am, N/ville, Fr Tom
21 Jun	5.30pm, Aldinga, Fr Julius
22 Jun	8.30am, N/ville, Fr Julius 10.30am, Willunga, Fr Tom
28 Jun	5.30pm, Aldinga, Fr Dominick
29 Jun	8.30am, Willunga, Fr Dominick 10.30am, N/ville, Fr Dominick

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is being offered on Fridays from 5.00pm - 6.00pm at St Joseph's Church, Willunga. Mass from 6.00pm - 7.00pm follows. Everyone welcome.

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

You kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; praise the Lord, who ascends above the highest heavens; his majesty and might are in the skies, alleluia.

### WILLUNGA PARISH LADIES LUNCH

A small group of local women are starting a Ladies Lunch group for Willunga Parish women. If you are interested, you are warmly invited to join them for the first lunch this week (Friday 6 June) at 12.30pm at The Tin Shed in McLaren Vale. Thereafter they will gather once a month on the first Friday of each month, for a chat and a meal.

Please come along and catch up with old friends and make some new ones. For bookings and further information phone Barb Triffett (0497 876 551) or Vanda Farrall (0476 276 066).

### ANCHORED IN CHRIST

The YMG Men's Conference 2025, themed 'Anchored in Christ', is set to inspire men aged 18 and above with a

day of spiritual growth and fellowship. The conference will be held on Saturday June 14 from 8.00am to 7.30pm at Cardijn College, Marian Campus, Noarlunga Downs. For more details and registration - [ymgadelaide@gmail.com](mailto:ymgadelaide@gmail.com)

### THANK YOU

- Many thanks to the people in our three communities who kept count of Mass attendees each weekend during May for the annual Archdiocesan May Mass Count in our Parish.
- Special thanks too, to Joe and Christina who have done a wonderful job weeding, cleaning up and replanting the little garden area near the toilets at St Joseph's.

### HOMELESSNESS IN ALDINGA AND SURROUNDING AREAS

The City of Onkaparinga's consultation on using part of the Skoda Street, Aldinga Beach Reserve for affordable rented housing has now concluded. That is part of the area behind the Senior Citizen's Club just off Quinliven Road.

Nearby residents were letterboxed, there was a Listening Post at Aldinga shops on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> and an opportunity to comment on "Your Say Onkaparinga," or write in.

The Post is still up and has a very good map of the area that will be used. The current bike track will be rebuilt elsewhere on the site and the playground, footy kicking and dog walking space will be retained. More vegetation will be added for wildlife and shade.

"Your Say Onkaparinga" also makes it clear the housing will be contracted to a licensed Housing Manager (Housing Association, possibly Vinnies Housing if they win the contract). This means tenants will be screened to ensure they are ready to make positive use of this opportunity to get back on their feet. They will also receive ongoing support to access the assistance they need to achieve life goals. Housing Associations fix rent at a percentage of income.

To emphasise that this was and remains a community driven project, even though Council has led this phase, the Aldinga Housing Collaboration (AHC) banner has been

reactivated. Consequently the "local group" submission in support of this housing development is under that banner and in my name.

The AHC joined with a working group Fr Tom had convened, which then merged with the Vinnies Fleurieu Housing Initiative (FRI). The latter have provided the expertise to fill in details for the project.

Garry Triffett, Mario Bacchin and many Aldinga residents also worked on stages of this project over the years. It is a relatively small outcome in the number of tenancies, but is at least a start. As well, it provides a model for future collaboration between Council, community, and non-government agencies in providing affordable rental housing.

*Tricia Dundon  
Community volunteer, June 2025*

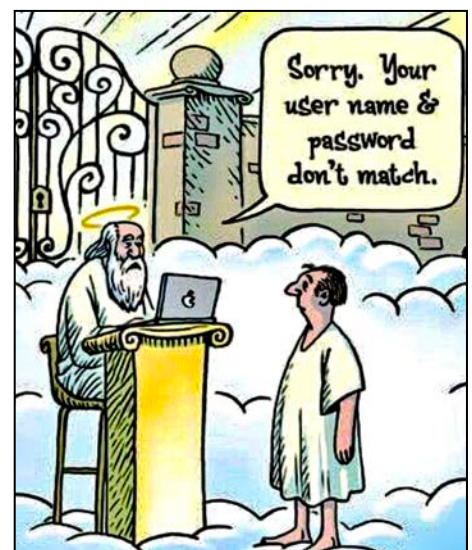
### KIDS' CORNER

Happy birthday! Today is the birthday of the Church! And you are the Church, so one more time: Happy Birthday!

On today's feast of Pentecost, we remember Jesus' promise that he would send a helper or Advocate. But the disciples probably never expected anything like this. First, a loud noise like a strong wind. And then ... fire on top of their heads! This is the power of the Holy Spirit! But even more amazing, the Spirit gave them strength, courage and faith to spread the Gospel.

That Spirit is still within the Church and within you!

*GPBS eNews*





## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

On Tuesday evening (June 3) Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, supported by Fr Dominick and Fr Julius, celebrated Confirmation with five children from our Parish at Mary of Galilee Church, Aldinga.

It was a beautiful celebration, with the Archbishop talking to the children about the importance of growing their faith and nurturing it like we do a seedling as it grows. He talked to them about the Holy Spirit's presence in their lives and the gifts that they are given through this sacred sacrament.

The children talked about their chosen saints, and why they chose them and have displayed some of what they have learnt around the church.

We congratulate the following children: Arya, Joshua, Pearl, Peter and Tyson and thank the families, sponsors and parishioners for their ongoing support on their faith journey.

*Kim Calderbank  
(Assistant Principal  
Religious Identity & Mission)*



## WORLD REFUGEE DAY

Each year on June 20, the world celebrates World Refugee Day. This day is designated by the United Nations to honour refugees who have been forced to flee their homes and to promote solidarity with them for a 'world where refugees are welcomed'.

## ROSTERS

### ALDINGA

Welcomer  
Commentator  
Readers

Eucharistic Minister

### Saturday 07 June

André Woodhouse  
David Manders  
Michelle Cormack  
Chris McWilliams  
Kerri Gould

### Saturday 14 June

André Woodhouse  
Cristina Tiedje  
Rod Boucher  
Vivi Boucher  
Lorraine Ellis

### NORMANVILLE

Welcomer  
Commentator  
Reader  
Data Projector  
Altar/Cleaning

### Sunday, 08 June

Tim Fleming  
Antoinette Fleming  
Anna Vnuk  
Jim Fitzpatrick  
A Fleming, A Henriksen

### Sunday, 15 June

Rita Steller  
Jim Fitzpatrick  
Trish Bohnsack  
Nigel Pile  
A Fleming, A Henriksen

### WILLUNGA

Commentator  
Reader  
Eucharistic Minister  
Flowers  
Church Linen

### Sunday, 08 June

Jacinta Best  
Megan Chapman  
Marie Cester  
Anna Rogers  
Marie Cester

### Sunday, 15 June

Marie Andrews  
Garry Triffett  
Anna Rogers  
Tony Harding  
Anna Rogers

## PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Healing list:** Michael Casey, Kathy Ralston, John Tregagle, Karoline Hermann, Mike Harwood, Karen Van Vliet.

## 2025 DATES

8 Jun	Pentecost Mass and lunch
9 Jun	King's birthday holiday
29 Jun	Holy Father's Appeal
2 Jul	Last day School term 2
4 Jul	Ladies Lunch
6 July	NATSICC Appeal
20 Jul	Stella Maris - Sea Sunday
21 Jul	First day School term 3
1 Aug	Ladies Lunch
10 Aug	Vocations Appeal
5 Sep	Ladies Lunch
26 Sep	Last day School term 3
3 Oct	Ladies Lunch
6 Oct	Labour day holiday
13 Oct	First day School term 4
7 Nov	Ladies Lunch
5 Dec	Ladies Lunch
12 Dec	Last day School term 4

## COLLECTIONS

**24/25/31 May and 1 June**

First collection	\$912.00
Envelopes	\$395.00
Unpledged	\$513.00

(Not including direct credits)

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.

## WORLD DAY AGAINST CHILD LABOUR

World Day Against Child Labour aims to focus attention on the global extent of child labour and the action and efforts needed to eliminate it. Each year on 12 June, the Day brings together governments, employers and worker organisations, and civil society, as well as millions of people from around the world to highlight the plight of child labourers and what can be done to help them.



## **WILLUNGA PARISH**

(Aldinga, Normanville, Willunga)  
NGARRINDJERI, RAMINDJERI,  
PERAMANGK, KAURNA land

*Willunga Catholic Parish is a  
welcoming and hope-filled  
community led by the spirit  
to love and serve all in faith.*

## **PASTORAL COUNCIL**

- **Aldinga** - Kerri Gould, Lorraine Ellis, Kim Calderbank
- **Willunga** - Michael Hynes
- **Normanville** - Nigel Pile, Christopher Symes

## **FINANCE COUNCIL**

Dolek Thiele (Chairperson)  
Chris McWilliams (Secretary)  
Thia van Kuyk (Finance Officer)  
Martin Morgan (Cemeteries)  
John McPhail (Treasurer)

## **CEMETERY CONTACTS**

- **St Joseph's, Willunga** - Curator Martin Morgan (0417 851 902) - in his absence please contact: Michael Hynes (0490 677 314)
- **St Peter's, Normanville** - Please contact Willunga Parish Office (08) 8556 2132 or 0447 421 948

## **BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES**

Please contact the Parish Office  
(8556 2132 or 0447 421 948)

## **SACRAMENTS**

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[08] 8550 2200

## **INTEGRITY AND SAFEGUARDING DEPT**

We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, well-being and protection of children and young people.

Willunga Parish contact - Michael Hynes or Child Protection Unit (8210 8159).

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Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of  
your faithful and kindle in them the  
fire of your love.*  
*Alleluia!*

## **GOSPEL**

**John 14:15-16,23-26**

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.  
I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever.

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.  
Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

## **RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TIME**

Her family had moved away long before I arrived at the parish. Her last years were spent in a nursing home somewhere down south. When she died her children called the parish. We were where she wanted to have her funeral Mass celebrated. We had been her church for decades. There would only be a handful in attendance. At the funeral home, the family made clear that none of them were practicing their faith anymore. I should select all the music and read the scripture of my choosing. Nothing special to say in my homily. No eulogy. No cemetery burial.

I left the wake wondering if I had just wasted my evening. As I passed the adjacent chapel a young man stepped out calling me by name. After a few seconds I recognised his face and remembered his name – a student I had taught years ago and hadn't seen since graduation. I saw on the sign in the chapel that the deceased was his father. Excitedly he told me that he had convinced his mother I would somehow be there, that I would never let him down. How I was able to do that, not being contacted, was a mystery to me. Calling him by his name, I assured him I was there for them. I said a prayer, comforted the family, and drove home once again appreciating the mysterious way the Holy Spirit uses us. A Pentecost moment for sure. *GPBS eNews*

## **THIS WEEK'S READINGS**

*09 - 12 June)*

- **Monday, 09:** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Gen 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34)
- **Tuesday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (2 Cor 1:18-22; Mt 5:13-16)
- **Wednesday, 11:** St Barnabas (Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3; Mt 10:7-13)
- **Thursday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (2 Cor 3:15 - 4:1, 3-6; Mt 5:20-26)
- **Friday, 13:** St Anthony of Padua (2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32)
- **Saturday, 14:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37)
- **Sunday 15:** The MOST HOLY TRINITY (Prov 8:22-31; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15)

## **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. In an emergency call Fr Dominick (0421 074 212) or Fr Julius (0455 878 907).