



Welcome to

Willunga Catholic Parish

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

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

- Fr Dominick Okwadha (Resident Pastor)
Fr Dominick on leave until 15 August.
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- Fr Julius Nyandiga (Acting Parish Administrator - 8382 1717; 0455 878 907
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Fr Tom away for all of August

- Gael Maloney (Parish Manager; Newsletter - articles for newsletter due Wednesday - 0447 421 948,
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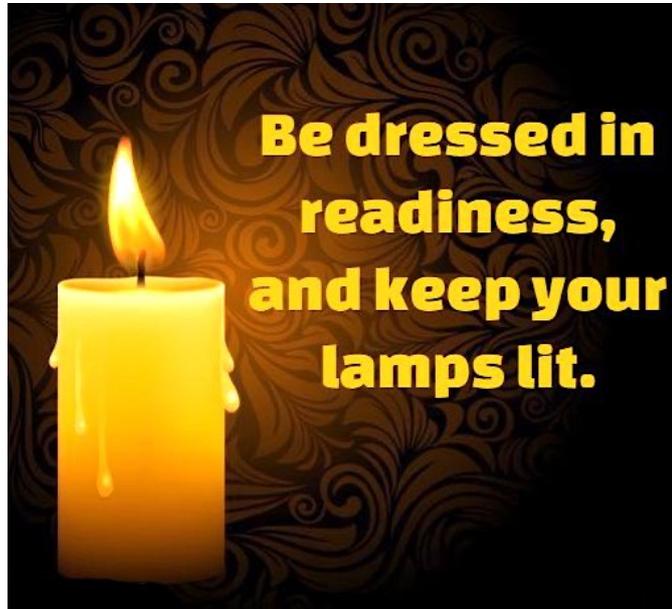
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MASS CENTRES

- 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

Wisdom 18:6-9

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage.

This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you.

The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 32:1,12,18-20,22

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. <R>
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. <R>

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. <R>

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

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Bulletin Board

the LORD 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)

09 Aug	5.30pm, Aldinga, Fr Julius
10 Aug	8.30am, V/ville, Fr Julius 10.30am, Willunga, Fr Julius
16 Aug	5.30pm, Aldinga, Fr Julius
17 Aug	8.30am, Willunga, Fr Julius 10.30am, N/ville, Fr Julius
23 Aug	5.30pm, Aldinga, Fr Dominick
24 Aug	8.30am, N/ville, Fr Dominick 10.30am, Willunga, Fr Dominick
30 Aug	5.30pm, Aldinga, Fr Dominick
31 Aug	8.30am, Willunga, Fr Dominick 10.30am, N/ville, Fr Dominick

PRIESTS ON LEAVE

- **Fr Dominick** is on leave until 15 August. Fr Julius will be filling in for him during that time.
- **Fr Tom** is away for all of August.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

BLESSING OF MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday September 21, 2025

Celebrations of significant wedding anniversaries will be held in local Parish communities again this year.



All couples who are celebrating a significant year of marriage in 2025 (1, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40 or 50 years

or more), are invited to leave their details with Gael Maloney (0447 421 948) to receive a special acknowledgement from the Archbishop.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

2/3 August - 9/10 August

Today, the second weekend of National Vocation Awareness Week throughout the Church in Australia, we celebrate, affirm and pray for all vocations to the Consecrated Life of Sisters, Brothers and Priests, as well

as to the Diaconate and Diocesan Priesthood.

We pray that each of these unique calls be heard and responded to with great generosity of heart as we journey together during this Jubilee Year with Christ as our Anchor.

Leaving collection

There is a leaving collection today to support those studying for the Priesthood in our Archdiocese. Our seminarian, Godwin James is currently studying at the Holy Spirit Seminary in Brisbane.

Please remember him in your prayers, as well as those preparing for the Permanent Diaconate

ASSUMPTION OF MARY

On 15 August we celebrate the Assumption of Mary.



Willunga Parish Masses

Mass will be held at Mary of Galilee, Aldinga and at St Joseph's, Willunga at 9.00am. The Mass at St Peter's, Normanville will be at 12.00 noon. Special thanks to Fr Franco for helping us out with some of the Masses. Parishioners are most welcome to join in Mass at any of our three centres.

WINTER WARMUP BUSH DANCE

Celebrate an Australian tradition with rhythm, community and heart. Drive away the chill of winter, warm your spirits with music, fun, laughter and boot-stomping, while raising funds for important refugee projects like Women for Change.

Where: Yankalilla Showgrounds Pavilion, cnr Jervois Rd and Main South Rd, Yankalilla.

When: Saturday, 30 August - 6pm - 10pm, gates open at 5pm

Tickets: Adults \$15, Children under 5 free/under 16 \$5, Family (2 adults, 2 children 5-16) \$35.

BYO plate to share, bar facilities and hot beverages available for purchase, free camping, camp fire.

Bookings: Fleurieu Coast Vision Centre in person, ph (08) 8558 0240, or online visitfleurieucoast.com.au



Term 4 2025

The Sacramental Programme is the means by which baptised children can complete their journey into full membership of the Catholic Church. Children are provided with support to make the Sacrament of Reconciliation (formerly First Confession) and their first Holy Communion. The Sacramental programme strives to help them feel a real sense of belonging to the wider Family of God.

We extend a warm welcome to children from any schools in our Parish to join us. If you have children, or know of any children, who this might concern, please contact Kim Calderbank (08 8550 2200)

Sacramental Program Dates

- Parent Information Session
Tuesday 9 September 5.00pm
- Reconciliation Workshop 1
Tuesday 28 October 5.00pm
- Workshop 2
Tuesday 4 November 5.00pm
- Celebration of Reconciliation
Tuesday 11 November 5.00pm

THE BACKPACK AND THE TREASURE

Angus was in Year 10 and, by most standards, had a good life. He went to a Catholic school, lived near the beach in a small town outside Newcastle, and had the latest iPhone, decent mates, and a part-time job at the local servo.

But lately, something had started to bother him. It wasn't anything dramatic. Just a nagging feeling he couldn't shake



– especially after Tuesday RE classes of Sunday Mass, when he'd hear words like kingdom, treasure, be ready. What did that mean for someone like him?

One day, his RE teacher, Mrs Ardern, read out a Gospel passage: "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

"Alright," Mrs. Ardern said, "here's the challenge: what are you really carrying around in your 'backpack'? Not just your books and gear, but your values. What matters most to you? And – what would it take to pack differently?"

The question stuck.

Later that week, Angus was scrolling through his feed when he saw a post from his cousin Ellie, who was volunteering with a mobile food van in the city. He messaged her. "Is that legit? I wouldn't mind giving that a go." She replied: "Come Saturday night. Bring nothing except a good attitude and maybe a warm hoodie."

So he went. For three hours, Angus handed out hot drinks and sandwiches



ROSTERS

ALDINGA

Welcomer
Commentator
Readers
Eucharistic Minister

Saturday 09 August

André Woodhouse
Cristina Tiedje
Rod Boucher
Vivi Boucher
Mario Bacchin

Saturday 16 August

André Woodhouse
Michelle Cormack
David Manders
Chris McWilliams
Kerri Gould

NORMANVILLE

Welcomer
Commentator
Reader
Data Projector
Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 10 August

Tim Fleming
Thia van Kuyk
Nigel Pile
Chris Symes
Jim & Patsy Fitzpatrick

Sunday, 17 August

Peter Bohnsack
Trish Bohnsack
Jim Fitzpatrick
Thia van Kuyk
Jim & Patsy Fitzpatrick

WILLUNGA

Commentator
Reader
Eucharistic Minister
Flowers
Church Linen

Sunday, 10 August

Gael Maloney
Ian La Ronde
Anna Rogers
Mary Moore
Anna Rogers

Sunday, 17 August

Marie Andrews
Anna Rogers
Michael Hynes
Mary Moore
Anna Rogers

to people sleeping rough. He listened. Laughed. Made eye contact. He even gave his hoodie to a man who was shivering. On the bus home, something felt different. Not guilt, not pity – just clarity. Like his "backpack" had been repacked with something better.

The following Monday, he told Mrs. Ardern about it.

"You're onto something, Angus," she said. "This is what Jesus meant. Staying ready doesn't mean looking busy – it means living awake. Seeing people. Choosing love. That's real treasure."

That night, Angus took a sticky note and wrote one word on it: Treasure? He stuck it on the back of his bedroom door – so every day when he left the house, he'd have to ask himself: Where's your treasure today? Where's your heart?

What's in your backpack right now? What might you need to take out – or add – to live more awake, more ready, more like Jesus.

Be on your toes

We are ready to help the very old and the very young, and we are ready to receive the help that we are offered.

We are ready to confront the powerful, call out the evasive, and listen to the words that call us to reflect and to question.

We are ready to speak of our Christian faith and we are ready to listen to the truth that comes to us through the Buddhist, Jewish, and Muslim faith traditions.

Be ready for the unexpected. Be ready for a blessing. Go in peace.

GPBS eNews

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Healing list: Michael Casey, Kathy Ralston, John Tregeagle, Karoline Hermann, Marie Cester, Laura Curtis

Recently deceased: Michael Hynes (Snr), Mia Szydlowski, Margaret Stevens (*Margaret's funeral will be held on Thursday, 14 August at 11.00am. All parishioners are welcome.*)

2025 DATES

10 Aug Vocations Appeal
Sep Catholic Charities Month
Oct World Mission Month
19 Oct Mission Day Appeal
26 Sep Last day School term 3
6 Oct Labour day holiday
13 Oct First day School term 4
9 Nov Supporting our Clergy Campaign
16 Nov St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal
12 Dec Last day School term 4
25 Dec Catholic Charities Appeal

VOCATIONS APPEAL

09/10 August

This weekend there will be a special collection for the Vocations Appeal. This appeal supports the education and formation) over several years of five to seven men) who are seeking to serve the people of the Archdiocese of Adelaide as Priests and Deacons.

KIDS' CORNER

Be like servants who wait their master's return. (Luke 12:36)

Imagine that someone you love is coming from far away to visit you. You might run to the door to look out and see if they are here yet. Then you would run back into the house to do some more things to make them happy and welcome. Back and forth you would go, watching and doing things until the one you have been waiting for arrives at your door.

Well, someone you love is coming to visit you. Jesus will come again, but no one knows when. He loves to see you watching for him through prayer, doing good things for him and by the generous deeds you do for those around you.

Come, Lord Jesus!

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

For more information please contact:

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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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All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland.

That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead; and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 24:42, 44

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 12:32-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

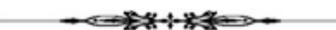
'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite

sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming," and sets about beating the men-servants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(11 - 17 August)

- **Monday, 11:** St Clare (Deut 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27)
- **Tuesday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 19 (Deut 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14)
- **Wednesday, 13:** Weekday, Ord Time 19 (Deut 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20)
- **Thursday, 14:** St Maximilian Mary Kolbe (Josh 3:7-11, 13-17; Mt 18:21 - 19:1)
- **Friday, 15:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Rev 11:19, 12:1-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26; Lk 1:39-56)
- **Saturday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 19 (Josh 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15)
- **Sunday 17:** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53)

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 Julius (0455 878 907).