



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)

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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

Apocalypse 11:19, 12:1-6, 10

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it.

Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother.

The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready.

Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 44:10-12, 16

The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mary is taken up to heaven, and the angels of God shout for joy. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-56

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy

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Bulletin Board

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon No Masses - Willunga
Parish 9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue 9.15am - Aldinga
Wed 9.00am - Willunga
12noon - Normanville (*not the week with a 1st Friday*)
Thur 9.00am - Willunga
Fri 9.00am - Willunga
1st Fri 9.00am - Willunga
11.30am - Normanville

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

COVID-19

Please read the most up-to-date information on page 4 of this bulletin.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Apoc 12:1

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY CONSULTATION

Deadline August 16

Parishioners are reminded that the deadline for sharing a response to the Diocesan Assembly consultation question is Monday 16 August. Responses must be received by the deadline in order to ensure that they are included in the data analysis. Responses can be submitted online at www.adelaidediocesanassembly.org/respond. If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Moffatt smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au

COUNCIL FOR INTEGRAL ECOLOGY INVITATION

The Council for Integral Ecology invites those interested in ecology and social justice to join them in a meeting via Zoom to discuss the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Social Justice Statement and planning for the Seasons of Creation Month in Sept.
Date: August 24 2021



Time: 7pm – 8.30pm
Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89735125099?pwd=Y3JKckQ1S0lPNzcvZmxUclV0SW9lZz09> Click on [Council for Intergral Ecology Invitation](#).

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites couples for a virtual marriage encounter weekend to enrich and revitalize your sacrament of service.
What: Virtual weekend via Zoom
When: September 10-12
Time: Commencing at 7pm on Friday September 10 – concluding 4pm Sunday September 12
Contact: Julie & Zyg Staszyc: (0437 388 513), email: sabookings@wwme.org.au. Visit: <https://www.wwme.org.au> for testimonies and update. Click here for [WWME Weekend Flyer](#).

SA CATHOLICS FACEBOOK PAGE

Please be aware that this page is not an official Facebook page for the Adelaide Archdiocese, nor does it have any connection to the Archdiocese. The official page of the Archdiocese is Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide and the tagline is @adelaidearchdiocese, which you *can use for sharing posts*.

The Archdiocese communications office also has a Facebook page for *The Southern Cross* which has a tagline @thesouthernnewspaper – Adelaide.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS – FUNDRAISER EVENT

Circle of Friends invites you all to attend the Movie Fundraiser “[Respect – The Aretha Franklin Story starring Jennifer Hudson](#)” 4pm, Sunday August 22 at The Regal Theatre, 275 Kensington Road, Kensington Park. Tickets \$28. Purchase tickets at <https://events.humanitix.com/circle-of-friends-111-movie-fundraiser>. Includes COVID safe drinks, nibbles at 4pm with door prizes, raffles and an Auction. Movie screening 5pm. Enquiries: Jill (0419 825 642), Pauline (0408 802 291), Linda (0412 959 727).

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR PANDEMIC

Parish communities are encouraged to participate in a National Day of Prayer in this time of pandemic on Sunday, August 22. It is an initiative of a broad

range of Christian communities, including the National Council of Churches Australia. The theme is “Lord have mercy” and it calls people to be especially united in prayer, both individually and, where possible, in our liturgies. Find out more at: <http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org.au/LordHaveMercy/>

BEREAVEMENT DURING COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted every aspect of life, including how we die and how we grieve.

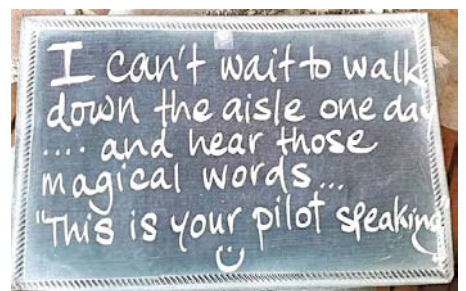
Each year, at least 44,000 Australians will develop chronic and debilitating mental health impairments following the death of a family member or a close friend.

Bereavement during the COVID-19 pandemic, whether attributable to the virus or not, presents additional significant risk factors for poor mental health due to public health measures such as physical distancing, travel restrictions, visitor limitations and reduced physical contact. Currently, little is known about the mental health effects and support needs of people bereaved during and following global crises, such as the COVID-19 pandemic.

To address this significant gap, researchers at the University of Technology Sydney are undertaking a National COVID-19 Bereavement Project, funded by the Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF). This research will track the mental health outcomes and service needs of over 2,000 Australians bereaved from any cause during 2020/2021.

If you had someone in your life who has died during the COVID-19 pandemic from any cause, we would like to hear about your experience. Please click on the link below to participate in the survey.

www.lossandgriefduringcovid19.com



“MEET ME IN THE MIDDLE”
Jamberoo Abbey online retreat
available 5 September

This retreat is based on Charles Peguy's Little Girl Hope from the book: "The Portal of the Mystery of Hope." Hope is both a virtue and a mystery. It is desirable yet elusive. Many dismiss it, misunderstand it, shrug it off and turn their backs on it, extolling faith and charity instead. Whilst faith and charity are absolutely critical in these times of uncertainty and fear in society, there is now a need for hope as never before since World War II.

More details and/or to register go to:
www.jamberooabbey.org.au/online-retreats

ASSURE THE VICTORY

Yes, the Olympics can become very nationalistic. Yes, perhaps the games promote an unhealthy level of competition. But there is no denying that the Olympic Games carry some very dramatic images. When the top three Olympians in an event stand on the podium and their countries' flags are raised, with the winning one above the other two as their national anthem is being played, it can truly be a special moment, a wonderful symbol of an athlete rising above others in the quest for success and victory. Remember the 1980 Australian hockey team and the chant "Australia" and the cry, "Do you believe in miracles?".

The feast of the Assumption of Mary should elicit the same sort of intuitive



response from us. Mary literally rises above us as a symbol of victory - victory over sin, victory over death, victory brought about by an uncompromising faith. Mary's faith saw her through the conception and birth of her son, through Jesus' death and resurrection, to her sharing in the fire of the Holy Spirit.

What happened to her later in her life is not recorded. But she probably did not just wait to die. More likely, she preached and told stories and quoted her son. She probably gave comfort and hope to those who believed in him while continually rising above all that was happening around her.

The Commissioning:

Can we leave this time of worship without a prayer for peace? Can we leave this time of worship without a resolution to serve our neighbour? Can we leave this time of worship without a commitment to our friends in the faith community? Can we leave this place of worship without a pledge to forgive those who have hurt us most? Can we leave this place of worship without the determination to bring light to the dark places? Can we leave this place of worship, without heartfelt thanks to God who has given us everything? Amen. *GPBS eNews*

- *Free Marriage Tip: Don't ask your wife when dinner will be ready while she is mowing the lawn.*
- *Who is Pete and why do we keep doing things for his sake?*
- *We can now have household gatherings of up to ten people without issues. I don't even know ten people without issues.*

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Violet Gilli, Colin and Roma Whitford, Rachel Palin, Arthur Jones

Recently deceased: Guido Valente, Lorna Buckley (*sister of Muriel Smith of Aldinga*)

Please pray for all our faithful departed and may all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ.

DATES

- Aug 15 Appeal for Vocations
- Aug 18 Creative Corner 11am - 2pm
- Sep 1-30 Catholic Charities Month
- 24 Sep Last day School Term 3
- 4 Oct Labour Day holiday
- 11 Oct First day School Term 4
- 17 Oct World Mission Day Appeal
- 1 Nov All Saints' Day
- 2 Nov All Souls' Day
- 14 Nov Vinnies Christmas Appeal
- 21 Nov Christ the King
- 28 Nov First Sunday of Advent
- 5 Dec Second Sunday of Advent
- 10 Dec Last day School Term 4
- 12 Dec Third Sunday of Advent

COLLECTIONS

(For the last fortnight)

First collection	\$584.00
Second collection	\$302.00
Envelopes	\$889.00
Direct credits	\$1080.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend we will be having a special collection - the **Appeal for Vocations**. Each year the Archdiocese takes a special collection to support Vocations to the Priesthood in the Archdiocese. The money collected serves to defray the costs of student priests for the Archdiocese.



ROSTERS

ALDINGA
 Commentator
 Readers

Saturday 14 August
 Bob Daly
 Brianna McIver
 David Manders

Saturday 21 August
 Michelle Cormack
 Heidi Davidson
 Leo Dundon

NORMANVILLE
 Welcomer
 Commentator
 Reader
 Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 15 August
 Peter Lloyd
 Jim Fitzpatrick
 Judy Millington
 P Lloyd, P Clifford

Sunday, 22 August
 Nigel Pile
 Ann Henriksen
 Mary Kennedy
 Jim & Patsy Fitzpatrick

WILLUNGA
 Commentator
 Reader
 Flowers
 Church Linen

Sunday, 15 August
 Anna Rogers
 Marie Cester
 Tony Harding
 Wayne Best

Sunday, 22 August
 Vanda Farrall
 Sue Thompson
 Michael Hynes
 Anna Rogers

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 12 August, 2021)

- The density requirement has changed to 3 people per 4 sqm. Weddings and funerals are capped at 50 people (provided density requirements are met).
- Wearing of masks is mandatory for indoor places. Wearing of masks is strongly recommended for Parish Offices.
- Choirs and congregational singing are not permitted. A single distanced singer is permitted.
- Recommendation from Archdiocesan Office that tea/coffee after Mass be suspended.
- Social distancing is mandatory - DO NOT CONGREGATE at entry/exit and outside.
- 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 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 Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccination for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage. You may wish to access: [Mass for You at Home – The official website of Mass For You At Home, Australia](#) online and on Channel 10 every Sunday at 6 am.

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Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour; because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid. Yes, from this day forward all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name, and his mercy reaches from age to age for those who fear him. He has shown the power of his arm, he has routed the proud of heart. He has pulled down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly. The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away. He has come to the help of Israel his servant, mindful of his mercy - according to the promise he made to our ancestors - of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

I KISS YOUR MOTHER

"Ljubi Maiku!" is a delightful Bosnian expression "I kiss your mother!" (Ljubi maiku!) Bosnian fathers use to praise their children. It means "I kiss your mother because you are such a wonderful child!" or, in other words, "My compliments to your mother!" It's similar to the praise Jesus received by those awed by his ministry: "Blessed is the womb that carried you!"

Mothers often receive praise for the accomplishments of their children; their children's successes and places in society reflects well on their parenting skills. But many mothers - and fathers, too - make the mistake of seeing their self-worth entirely in terms of how well their children do. This holds true particularly in societies where women have little say except when it comes to caring for

their children. If a son or daughter succeeds, the mother has proved herself valuable to society and worthy of respect. If her children fail, then she, too, is looked upon as a failure.

If Mary, the mother of Jesus, saw her self-worth solely tied into the accomplishments of her son, she would have a mighty large ego - the man saved the world, after all. But Mary had a much deeper and more inspiring understanding of her purpose.

So, we set aside time this week to commemorate Mary's life on earth and in heaven. In the process we find ourselves wondering how available we've been for God's work in the past year. Have we called on Christ when we needed him and pointed others the way to Jesus, just as Mary did at the wedding of Cana when she asked for Jesus' assistance and said to the servants: "Do whatever he tells you?"

Perhaps we don't quite measure up to Mary. But Mary deserves a kiss, nevertheless, for she not only played a role in shaping our lives as Christians, but she was such a worthy Christian herself. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(August 16 - 22)

- **Mon, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 20 (Judges 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22)
- **Tues, 17:** Weekday, Ord Time 20 (Judges 6:11-24; Mt 19:23-30)
- **Wed, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 20 (Judges 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16)
- **Thur, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 20 (Judges 11:29-39; Mt 22:1-14)
- **Fri, 20:** St Bernard (Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40)
- **Sat, 21:** St Pius X (Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12)
- **Sun 22:** 21st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69)



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).