



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

Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham' he called. 'Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.'

When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt-offering in place of his son.

The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self – it

is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of their enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 115:10, 15-19

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:31-34

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us. *(Continued page 4)*



Bulletin Board

WEEKDAY MASSES

(During Lent)

Mon	No Masses - Willunga Parish 9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue	6.00pm - Aldinga <i>(Lenten prayer followed by Mass)</i>
Wed	9.00am - Willunga 5.30pm - Normanville <i>(Lenten prayer followed by Mass)</i>
Thur	9.00am - Willunga
Fri	9.00am - Willunga

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

Please Note

We are still required to comply with the 1:2sqm restriction. St Joseph's can accommodate 75 for Mass, St Peter's 26 and Mary of Galilee 45 (plus approx 90 in the adjoining Hall). Bookings are essential for St Peter's - please phone Peter Bohnsack (0400 525 690).

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 26:8-9

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

PROJECT COMPASSION



Margret, 39, is a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon Islands. She was born deaf, so she knows the challenges it poses to education and employment. The school faced water shortages that often left staff and students without safe water for drinking, cooking, washing and growing vegetables. Then Tropical Cyclone Harold damaged the school and its vegetable garden as the threat of COVID-19 loomed. With Caritas Australia's support, the school installed water tanks, provided cyclone-proof building materials, and helped to implement COVID-19 prevention measures.

Margret's school now has enough water for its students and the capacity to cater for more, and is now planning to boost food security

through increased agricultural production.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help people living with disabilities in the Solomon Islands gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to protect our common home. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, ph: 1800 024 413, or visit: www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER

"Rebuild my Church"

The Willunga Parish Lenten Prayer will be held at Mary of Galilee Church, Aldinga at 6.00pm on Tuesday evenings, followed by Mass. Parishioners from all communities are warmly invited to take part.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER VIRTUAL WEEKEND

Love one another as I have loved you (John 15:12)

A weekend of discovery... a lifetime of love. Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites couples for a virtual marriage encounter weekend to enrich and revitalise your sacrament of service. It gives you the opportunity to grow in your relationship with your spouse.

Details are as follows:

- What: Virtual weekend via Zoom
- When: April 30 – May 2
- Time: commencing at 7pm on Friday – concluding 4pm Sunday

Contact Julie and Zyg Staszyc: (phone 0437 388 513 or email sabookings@wwme.org.au). For all other enquiries for enrichment, programs and events contact Thomas and Maria (wwmecentral@gmail.com or visit <https://www.wwme.org.au>)

ST PAUL'S PUBLICATIONS AUSTRALIA – EXCERPTS FROM THE ROMAN MISSAL

We are pleased to let you know that we are about to release the Ritual Book, Excerpts from the Roman Missal (Book of the Chair). This has been in preparation for quite a few years and contains all of the prayers that the celebrant says from the Chair. It is a beautifully produced book of 416 pages that will sell for \$120. However, we have a special pre-publication offer for all orders received by 15 March.

Please click link to place order: [https://secure.stpauls.com.au/product/65/New+Roman+Missal+Resources/Unknown/10303/Excerpts+from+the+Roman+Missal+\(Book+of+the+Chair\)](https://secure.stpauls.com.au/product/65/New+Roman+Missal+Resources/Unknown/10303/Excerpts+from+the+Roman+Missal+(Book+of+the+Chair)). For further enquiries contact 02 9394 3400 or sales@stpauls.com.au

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER "Build on a strong foundation"



This year a local World Day of Prayer service will be hosted by the Uniting Church at the McLaren Vale Uniting Church on Friday, March 5 at 7.00pm.

The 2021 featured country is Vanuatu and there will be a guest speaker. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

Jenny Esots

HAVE AND HOLD

On a cold July day in a time before COVID, after several months of battling cancer, weeks in and out of hospital, and finally intensive care, my brother-in-law died peacefully around noon, his wife, my sister, at his bedside. My sister had gradually accepted that his death was inevitable - but the reality of that enormous void in her life was a pain we all felt as well. Her five siblings accompanied her home that day.

When we pulled into her driveway we could see that her home already was filled with our spouses, children, and grandchildren - my sister's nieces and nephews. In true Aussie style, friends had already started bringing food with their condolences. My sister, the ever-generous host, got right to work

making sure everyone ate, as she accepted hugs from family and friends.

There was considerable commotion in the house, the very young providing both distraction and joy. As the afternoon turned to evening, the little ones headed home with their parents. The few people who remained gathered in the living room. I don't know how long we sat there before it dawned on me that it was six of us siblings who remained. I couldn't think of another time in our adult years when we have been alone like this, only the six of us, and I felt this deep sense of awe. The conversation was filled with stories and memories, with laughter and tears.

As I looked at each face, I felt the love, the solidarity, and the bond of

family unity. I felt the delight of our deceased parents - and the serendipitous presence of God. Filled with gratitude, even in the midst of grief, I had a sudden urge to treasure and hold on to this moment forever.
GPBS eNews

HIDDEN GLORY

“There lives the dearest freshness deep down things”. So Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins affirms in his poem, “God’s Grandeur”. No matter how battered and weary our world becomes, over centuries of travesties and unmet need, the vitality of hope waits under the surface, like crosses beneath the snow. Things aren’t as they appear. A hidden glory is always in the wings.

Abraham didn’t know this, on that sad day he trudged up the mountain with his son. We don’t sense this, on the endless, sleepless nights we grieve hopeless situations. The disciples didn’t imagine this on the day they followed Jesus up the mountain, expecting to see nothing more than the land. How could they know that all of heaven was about to break loose on top of that hill?

There’s a hidden glory deep in the heart of things. We glimpse it in flowers and in sunshine, but also in the shadowy places and ominous trails we fear to travel. Glory is concealed in our losses, glory awaits behind every cross. You can’t see Easter from Good Friday. But that doesn’t mean it’s not there.

When have you sensed the hidden glory at the heart of our world? *GPBS eNews*

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Val and George Gater, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Judy Hore, Arthur Jones, Violet Gilli, Colin and Roma Whitford, Deanne Bostock, Vence Sulda, Leonie Zeven

Recently deceased: Maureen Saxon (*Sue Thompson’s mother*), Ray Ellis

Anniversary: John Roger

DATES

- Lent 2021 - Project Compassion
 - Tuesdays during Lent
Lenten Prayer - 6.00pm at Aldinga, followed by Mass
 - Wednesdays during Lent
Lenten Prayer - 5.30pm at Normanville, followed by Mass
- Mar 5 World Day of Prayer
- Mar 8 Adelaide Cup Day
- 1 Apr Holy Thursday
- 2 Apr Good Friday
- 3 Apr Holy Saturday
- 4 Apr Easter Day
- 5 Apr Easter Monday
- 9 Apr Last day School Term 1
- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 26 Apr ANZAC Day public holiday
- 27 Apr First day School Term 2
- 14 Jun Queen’s birthday holiday
- 4 Oct Labour Day holiday

COLLECTIONS

(For the last two weekends)

First collection	\$513.00
Second collection	\$328.00
Envelopes	\$521.00
Unborn Child appeal	\$452.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.



**Galilee's
Magic Harvest In
Schools pilot program**





Are you interested in growing your own veggies at home, school or through the Parish?
Would you like to be a part of Galilee's 'Magic Harvest In Schools' pilot program?
We are inviting ALL members of the Cardijn College Galilee community to take part in this exciting opportunity!

Come along to a brief 20 minute information session after school for more details and to find out how you can start growing your very own delicious veggies!
When: Monday 1st March
Where: Grass area (in front of office)
Time: 3:10-3:30pm

ROSTERS

ALDINGA Commentator Readers	Saturday 27 February Christine McWilliams David Manders Michelle Cormack
NORMANVILLE	Sunday, 28 February To be advised
WILLUNGA Commentator Reader Church Cleaning Church Linen	Sunday, 28 February Anna Rogers Vanda Farrall Michael Hynes Anna Rogers

Saturday 06 March David Manders Leo Dundon Christina Tiedge
Sunday, 07 March To be advised
Sunday, 07 March Gael Maloney Ian La Ronde Michael Hynes Margaret Guley

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(Current for 23/24 January)

- Attendees at Mass must maintain social distancing of 1:2 sqm.
- Funerals are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- Weddings are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided.
- Except for families and household groups, people should socially distance. There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- 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 to be 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 obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

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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

Mark 9:2-10

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus: 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus.

As they came down the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

DID YOU KNOW?

- This event in the life of Jesus is known as the Transfiguration. It is traditionally associated with Mt Tabor near Nazareth in Galilee.
- The words of the voice from the cloud echo the words from heaven at Jesus' baptism, 'You are my son, the beloved, my favour rests on you' (Mk 1:11).
- The three disciples who witness Jesus' glory in this episode are the same three who will witness his

agony on the Mount of Olives on the night before he died.

- Jesus is joined by Elijah and Moses in this episode. They represent the Prophets and the Law, major sections of the Hebrew Scriptures.

EXPLORING THE WORD

In the biblical tradition a mountain is often used to situate close encounters between God and his people. In this text, Jesus' appearance takes on the imagery of the divine. Those who join Jesus are significant: Moses was the receiver of the Law and Elijah was the first prophet. Here the Law and the Prophets, the fullness of Scripture, meet Jesus transfigured. Understandably, the disciples are terrified and Peter suggests they build three tents. This would allow them to remain on the mountain and contemplate the face of God. But this is to misunderstand the true call of the disciple. Gazing heavenwards is not enough - the disciple must also listen and act. The mystery of this response will only become clear when placed in the context of the death and resurrection of Jesus. There can be no sidestepping of the cross and its invitation to all who are followers of Jesus that they too must lose themselves for the sake of others.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(01 - 07 March)

- **Monday, 26:** Monday of 2nd week of Lent (Dan 9:4-10; Lk 6:36-38)
- **Tuesday, 27:** Tuesday of 2nd week of Lent (Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12)
- **Wednesday, 28:** Wednesday of 2nd week of Lent (Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28)
- **Thursday, 01:** Thursday of 2nd week of Lent (Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31)
- **Friday, 02:** Friday of 2nd week of Lent (Gen 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46)
- **Saturday, 03:** Saturday of 2nd week of Lent (Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32)
- **Sunday 04:** THIRD SUNDAY of LENT (Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25)

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).