



Welcome to

Willunga Catholic Parish

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

EASTER SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION of the LORD - YEAR B

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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 10:34, 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all

who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

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Bulletin Board

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

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

PRIEST ROSTER WEEKENDS

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

06 Apr 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Tom
07 Apr 8.30am - Willunga, Fr Dominick
10.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick
13 Apr 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy
14 Apr 8.30am - N/ville, Fr Josy
10.30am - Willunga, Fr Josy
20 Apr 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Dominick
21 Apr 8.30am - Willunga, Fr Dominick
10.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick
27 Apr 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy
28 Apr 10.30am - Willunga, Fr Tom

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 138:18, 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

MARIAN PROCESSION

Sunday, 19 May at 2.00pm

Each year the Adelaide Archdiocese hosts the annual Marian Procession in honour of Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church. This year, we celebrate its 75th Anniversary. More details nearer the time.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at St Luke's, Noarlunga on Sunday 7 April from 4.30pm.

There will be several priests on hand for devotions at 4.30pm and Mass at 5.30pm. Everyone most welcome. Contact Dolek Thiele (0419 844 693) for more information. *Dolek Thiele*

2024 ADELAIDE DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY

June 14 and 15

Parishes, schools and communities are asked to mark their calendars for the 2024 Adelaide Diocesan Assembly which will take place on the evening of Friday, June 14 and Saturday, June 15. Further information and invitations will be sent out soon.

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Moffatt: smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au or Peter Bierer: pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au

ST JOSEPH'S ROSTERS

The current roster for the ministries associated with the Mass runs out at the end of April. Please contact Marie Andrews (0423 302 746) if you are not currently on the roster and would like to be, if you are on the roster and would prefer not to be, or if you already volunteer, but will be unavailable for specific dates during the next six months.

We would love to have some new volunteers for commentary, readings, flowers and linen.

We would also like to hear from anyone willing to take on the Sacristan job. Initially it would be as a back-up for our two regular volunteers at Sunday Mass. Training is available. If you can help, please see Wayne Best after Mass.

WE SHOW OUR LOVE FOR EACH OTHER IN A VARIETY OF WAYS

There's no Saint Veronica in my church. Apparently, there are two sets of Stations of Cross you can pick from – Scriptural and Traditional – and my church went with Scriptural. Veronica isn't named in the Bible. As far as the story of Christ's Passion goes, Veronica is a bonus feature.

Do you know the story? Jesus is struggling on the road to Calvary. At one point, Veronica steps in and wipes his face with her veil. This leaves an imprint, thus capturing his likeness many centuries before Snapchat.

Veronica isn't really all that useful. Jesus has been tortured and sentenced to death. This is his darkest hour. Veronica isn't shouldering the cross, like Simon, or trying to fight off the soldiers, like Peter. She's not rushing in there with a first aid kit or a stay of execution. She's just giving Jesus a clean face before his brutal death.

My friend, one of my absolute favourite people, has suffered a shocking event in her life. She is walking her own way of the cross. It's hard to know what to do.

I've always wanted to be the sort of

person who is ready to drop a meal off on somebody's doorstep. Something delicious and nutritious and comforting all at once. So far, this seems to require a level of coordination and domestic aptitude far beyond me. Still, I invite my friend over for a chat and a cup of tea.

We sit in my messy house, we eat store-bought biscuits, and we talk about nothing. A part of my heart feels the deep weight of suffering, but I enjoy spending time with my friend. She really is the loveliest person.

I am mid-anecdote about the time Harry put the wrong sort of soap in the dishwasher. I stop. 'I'm really happy to be talking about me.' I say, 'It's my favourite topic of conversation. But I'm also really happy to be talking about what you're going through.'

My friend's smile is warm and sad. 'Nope. I've been talking to a counsellor all morning. I'm ready for some escapism.'

I nod and talk some more. It's what I'm good at. The time flies past and now it's time to go. I hug my friend and clumsily explain how I wish I could press a lasagne into her hands. Or do something else really practical, so helpful that I can't even think what it is. She gives my arm a squeeze. 'I have other friends and cooking is their favourite thing. They love to deliver food to my door. But they don't know how to have an entertaining conversation. Everybody gives according to their talents.'

I am sure there was somebody like Veronica on Calvary. Even if her name wasn't Veronica. Even if her name was, I don't know, Madge. We



A busy night at Stonehenge as workers move all the stones back one hour.....

know there were women attending to Jesus in his time of suffering. I am certain that one of them would have tried to help by wiping his face.

In the face of immense suffering, being skilled at ‘chattiness’ seems so futile. Maybe Veronica wasn’t a useful person. But there is something to be said for doing something barely helpful in the face of helplessness. For being lovingly ineffectual. Most of the time, we’re not called to stop a person’s suffering, but merely to journey with them.

I might not be great at any level of practical assistance (like, at all). But if you would like to be momentarily distracted by drawn-out tales of the time my entire kitchen filled with dish-soap foam, I am ready to step up to the plate.

*Kate Moriarty
(Reprinted from
“Australian Catholics”)*

FACING OUR TOUGH HOURS

At the very moment that Jesus was facing a humiliating death by crucifixion, the Gospel of John hints that he was offered an opportunity to escape. A delegation of Greeks, through the apostle Philip, offer Jesus an invitation to leave with them, to go to a group that would receive him and his message. So, Jesus has a choice: Endure anguish, humiliation, and death inside his own community or abandon that community for one that will accept him. He asks himself this question: “What shall I say, save me from this hour?”

Although this is phrased as a question, it’s an answer. Jesus is choosing to stay, to face the anguish, humiliation, and pain because he sees

it as the precise fidelity he is called to within the very dynamic of the love he is preaching. He came to earth to incarnate and teach what real love is and now, when the cost of that is humiliation and interior anguish, he knows and accepts that this is what’s now being asked of him.

What shall I say, save me from this hour? Do we have the wisdom and the generosity to say those words when, inside our own commitments, we are challenged to endure searing interior anguish? When Jesus asks himself this question, what he is facing is a near-perfect mirror for situations we will all find ourselves in sometimes.

In most every commitment we make, if we are faithful, an hour will come when we are suffering interior anguish (and often exterior misunderstanding as well) and are faced with a tough decision.

Often anguishing pain can shake our commitments and tempt us to walk away from them. The presence of pain, desolation, and misunderstanding is generally taken as a sign to abandon a commitment and find someone else or some other group that will affirm us rather than as an indication that now, in this hour, we have a chance to bring a life-giving grace into this commitment.

It’s not always for lack of generosity that people walk away from a commitment. We do not sufficiently highlight the challenge to, like Jesus, stand inside excruciating pain and humiliating misunderstanding and instead of walking away, we accept that it is more life-giving to say: What shall I say, save me from this hour?

Ronald Rolheiser

ROSTERS

ALDINGA

Welcomer
Commentator
Readers

Eucharistic Minister

Saturday 30 March

A Woodhouse, N Ellis
Chris McWilliams
Michelle C / David M,
Cristina T, Jill Mc, Rod B
Mario B, Lorraine E

Saturday 6 April

A Woodhouse, N Ellis
Michelle Cormack
Brigid Grimwood
David Manders
Mario Bacchin

NORMANVILLE

Welcomer
Commentator
Reader
Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 31 March

Peter Bohnsack
TBA
TBA
Patsy, Jim Fitzpatrick ++

Sunday, 7 April

Peter Lloyd
Ann Henriksen
Jan Plumb
Ann Henriksen

WILLUNGA

Commentator
Reader
Eucharistic Minister
Flowers
Church Linen

Sunday, 31 March

Michael Hynes
Megan Chapman
Steve Maglieri
Tony Harding
Volunteer please

Sunday, 7 April

Wayne Best
Marie Cester
Viv Zagajewska
Michael Hynes
Margaret Guley

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Janet Burbidge, Rainer Maack, Adrian Andrews, Vi Corkin, Deirdre Boyd, Jim Smith, Janette McIver, Michael Casey, Paul Hancock, Margaret Oomens, Paul Cormack, Margaret Barry

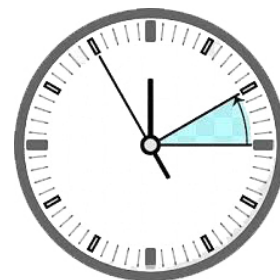
Anniversaries: Helen and Edmond Boylan

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

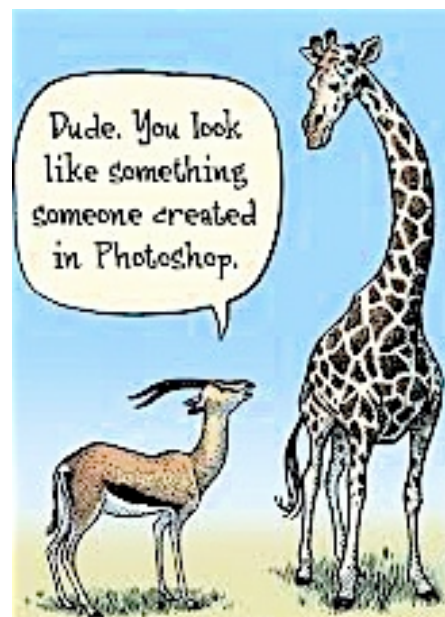
DATES

12 Apr Coffee morning Louie’s 10am
12 Apr Last day School term 1
26 Apr Coffee morning Louie’s 10am
25 Apr ANZAC Day
29 Apr First day School term 2
10 May Coffee morning Louie’s 10am
19 May Marian Procession
24 May Coffee morning Louie’s 10am

DAYLIGHT SAVING



Daylight saving ends next Sunday (7 April) - remember to “fall” back - and sleep in for an extra hour that morning.



WILLUNGA PARISH

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Kerri Gould, Lorraine Ellis, Kim Calderbank (Aldinga); Rick Zagajewski, Michael Hynes (Willunga); Nigel Pile, Christopher Symes (Normanville)

WILLUNGA PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

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

CHILD PROTECTION

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

We believe that all God's children and young people have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected, and valued. A safe environment for all.

(Willunga contact - Sr Margaret Ann)
Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Easter Triduum (which means 'three days'), lasting from Holy Thursday evening to Easter Sunday evening, is the climax of the Church's year.
- The stories of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus were the earliest stories told and later recorded by the early Church. The commemoration of the events of the Triduum is the earliest of Church celebrations when the first Christians gathered to break bread together.
- The women come to the tomb to anoint the body of Jesus early on Sunday morning because it is the first chance they have to do so. The Jewish Sabbath begins at sunset on Friday and ends at sunset on Saturday. During this time no 'work' can be done so the women must wait until dawn on the first day of the week.

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GOSPEL

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved.

'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

WE ARE WITNESSES

Mary runs to the tomb, heart racing at the sight of a stone rolled away. She imagines Jesus has been taken by enemies, and the thought propels her through the darkness. Next it's Peter and another disciple who are running, on fire with the idea that the tomb has been defiled. All of the characters in this story anticipate the worst, their hearts set on bad news. But what they find, when they lift their eyes, is the best news ever.

John presents one of the main characters in this event in a peculiar way: "the other disciple." Why would this person remain nameless and indistinct, if he were one of only three people privileged to stand at the tomb on Easter morning? Scholars suggest John invites us to put ourselves in the silhouette if "the other disciple," for we too stand at the tomb and declare what we see from here. Is the empty tomb bad news, the work of an enemy, a sad end to a tragic story? Or do we "see and believe," finding the

good news that even in the cemetery, death loses? What we see in the dark, we must speak with our whole lives. Happy Easter. *GPBS eNews*

KIDS' CORNER

Early in the morning, the women set out to anoint Jesus' body. I'm not sure I'd have the courage to go with them. After all, they're going to a tomb.

That's where dead people are. And Jesus has died a terrible death on the Cross. I think I'd be scared. But when the women arrive at Jesus' tomb, they find nothing dead there. Instead, an angel is waiting for them! The angel tells them that Jesus is risen from the dead. Jesus is alive. Of course! With Jesus, there is no reason to be afraid. With Jesus, there is life and joy forever! *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(1 - 7 April)

- **Monday, 1:** Monday within the Octave of Easter (Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15)
- **Tuesday, 2:** Tuesday within the Octave of Easter (Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18)
- **Wednesday, 3:** Wednesday within the Octave of Easter (Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35)
- **Thursday, 4:** Thursday within the Octave of Easter (Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48)
- **Friday, 5:** Friday within the Octave of Easter (Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14)
- **Saturday, 6:** Saturday within the Octave of Easter (Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15)
- **Sunday 7:** Second Sunday of Easter (Acts 4:32-35; 1Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31)



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.