

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

Isaiah 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.

On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever.

The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 22

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Eph 1:17,18

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ enlighten the eyes of our
heart, that we might see how great is
the hope to which we are called.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon No Masses - Willunga Parish

9.00am - Noarlunga

Tue 9.15am - Aldinga Wed 9.00am - Willunga

12.00noon - Normanville

Thur 9.00am - Willunga Fri 9.00am - Willunga

WEEKEND MASSES

Times on front page of this bulletin

There is no need to book for Galilee or St Joseph's. BOOKINGS are STILL REQUIRED for St Peter's please phone Dolek Thiele after 2.00pm (0419 844 693).

CATHOLIC MISSION 2020 APPEAL

(October is World Mission Month)
This year's Catholic Mission Church
Appeal highlights the important work
of the Church in Cambodia, which
aims to reach out to those who have
been affected by disability, and give
them hope and support to live a
fulfilling life.

This appeal shares the story of Chen, a landmine survivor who lost both his legs when he was 16 years old. Chen has been given care and opportunity to turn this tragic event into a positive outcome through the support of the Arrupe Centre. The Arrupe Centre has evolved over the past twenty



years from a short-term rehabilitation centre to a full-time home for children with disability, whether it be from landmine accidents or from illnesses such as polio.

Please support Catholic Mission online www.catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia via envelopes, or Text GIVE to 0488 854 436.

NEW LOOK PARISH WEBSITE

The Parish website has a new, fresh, modern, more mobile-friendly look - go to: www.willungaparish.org.au

Special thanks to Trish Bohnsack for the very professional-looking photos taken around St Peter's Normanville.

You may need to refresh or reload the page, if one of the old pages comes up when you click on it.

If you can think of anything that could be included to make it even more useful, or find a link that's not working, please contact Gael Maloney (0447 421 948).

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Envelopes for the next Planned Giving year will be available from the foyers of all three Churches from next weekend.

PONDERING GRIEF - REFLECTION EVENT via ZOOM

Saturday 17 October 10.00am-1.00pm (AEST)

Facilitated by Counsellor/Supervisor/Educator Linda Espie, this event provides the opportunity to reflect on, and honour, our inner life of change and transition. With creative, space and gentle guiding support, this workshop will offer a sacred place for the breadth of human experiencing and spirit to guide individual exploration. Limited to 10 participants. Cost \$30. Bookings and payment via Trybooking at https://www.trybooking.com/BLUEA For more information, contact holsc@bigpond.com or 9890 1101.

DINING AT GOD'S HOUSE

This is a strange story: why would invited guests not come to a king's wedding feast? In our time, any celebrity who throws a party can expect everyone to come, the invited along with the uninvited. People want to see and be seen at notable occasions. Certainly, a royal wedding qualifies as a must-see event.

But in this story people do the remarkably inappropriate thing: they snub the king. And when the king practically begs them to come a second time, some of those invited do violence to their messengers. This is such an incredible response, we recognise that Jesus is referring to the response to himself and to prophets who came before him. No one would behave this way to a king, his son, and his servants, Jesus is saying. And yet you behave this way to God, God's son, and the prophets.

As listeners to this story, we have a choice. We can be like those invited who don't bother to go, or who retaliate with rage. We can come without preparation. Or we can have something to say for ourselves if caught poorly clad at God's feast. "O God, have mercy on me, a sinner," is a good prayer to have on hand.

Which role do you see yourself playing in the parable of the wedding feast?

Dine in God's house this week. Feed the hungry, share a meal with someone who needs you, and don't forget the Eucharist. *GPBS eNews*

YOU'RE NOT WORTHY

People turn down great business opportunities every day out of fear, suspicion, or lack of vision. Instead of seeing possibilities, they see threats and end up losing out. Supervisors, middle managers, and CEOs alike can suffer from this debilitating fear of risk and lack of self-confidence.

What would it take to release these people from their self-inflicted paralysis? A belief that they are unworthy. That sounds strange considering their lack of confidence. But the fact of the matter is that they won't act until they are humbled to the point of realising that no one is worthy of the varying degrees of fame



and fortune or glory and power that come with work.

No matter how hard you work, someone works harder. No matter how smart you are, someone is smarter. So instead of believing you are or should be worthy or deserving of the job entrusted to you, be grateful for the opportunity to work, and do your job well with integrity, compassion, and humility.

Like those invited to the king's feast in this week's gospel, we make up excuses for why we're not quite ready or worthy to be part of the festivities. But look around at who's enjoying the riches of God's love: the sick, the sorrowful, the sorry, and you'll know that worthiness doesn't come into play. Recognise yourself in the least of your brothers and sisters, and you won't hesitate to enter the banquet hall. *GPBS eNews*

LEBANON CRISIS

The Catholic Church in Lebanon is suffering tremendously, especially the Beirut dioceses where church buildings and institutions were damaged, some severely, in the recent explosion. Sixteen Catholic schools



also sustained substantial damage caused by the blast. The Melkite and Maronite Catholic Churches in Australia have established a joint fund called 'Help for Lebanon' to assist the wounded Catholic Church in Lebanon to get back on its feet.

The Commonwealth Bank account details are BSB 062-784; Acct number 100012570; Acct name Melkite Catholic Eparchy Charity Account.

PORT PIRIE BISHOP'S INSTALLATION

Fr Karol Kulczycki SDS, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Port Pirie, will be installed on Wednesday October 28 at St Mark's Cathedral, Port Pirie, after being ordained in Poland on September 29. His installation will be live streamed www.pp.catholic.org.au

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY,

on 10 October, comes at a time when our daily lives have changed considerably as a result of the COVID pandemic. The past months have brought many challenges: for healthcare workers, providing care in difficult circumstances, going to work fearful of bringing COVID-19 home with them; for students, adapting to taking classes from home, with little contact with teachers and friends, and anxious about their futures; for workers whose livelihoods are threatened; for the vast number of people caught in poverty or in fragile humanitarian settings with extremely limited protection from COVID-19; and for people with mental health conditions, many experiencing even greater social isolation than before. And this is to say nothing of managing the grief of losing a loved one, sometimes without being able to say goodbye."

World Health Organisation, Mental Health Day 2020

ROSTERS

ALDINGA	
Commentator	
Readers	

Saturday 10 October

Bob Daly Michelle Cormack Rod Boucher Saturday 17 October
David Manders
Angela Trembath
Ken Creevey

NORMANVILLE

Sunday, 11 October To be advised

Sunday, 18 October To be advised

WILLUNGA Commentator

Commentator Reader Church Cleaning Church Linen **Sunday, 11 October** Wayne Best Vanda Farrall

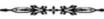
Vanda Farrall Michael Hynes Margaret Guley Sunday, 18 October

Anna Rogers Norman Lee Michael Hynes Marie Cester

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Val and George Gater, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Judy Hore, Vence Sulda, Kate Hall, Tilly Kirtland, Arthur Jones, Leonie Zeven, Amy Jasper, Violet Gilli, Colin and Roma Whitford, Sandi Townsend, Helen Jarvis

Recently deceased: Betty Blake **Anniversary:** Kim McArthur



DATES

- Oct 12 School Term 4 begins
- Nov 1 All Saints' Day
- Nov 2 All Souls' Day
- Nov 11 Remembrance Day
- Nov 22 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
- Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent
- Dec 6 Second Sunday of Advent
- Dec 12 School holidays begin
- Dec 13 Third Sunday of Advent
- Dec 20 Fourth Sunday of Advent
- Dec 25 Christmas Day



COLLECTIONS

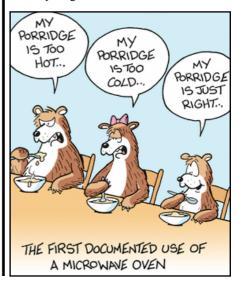
For the last two weekends

First collection Second collection \$447.00 \$818.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.

ONE LINERS

- Geology rocks, but geography's where it's at.
- Four fonts walk into a bar. The bartender says, 'Hey! We don't want your type in here!'
- What's the difference between ignorance and apathy? I don't know and I don't care.
- Never trust atoms; they make up everything.



COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(The following conditions apply for the time being)

- Attendance for mass is dependent on the 1 in 2 sq.m rule restriction. This number also applies for funerals and weddings.
- 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. Logs are located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided at this time.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Offertory procession will be omitted.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- 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 taking 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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slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants. maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy. go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- The wedding banquet is a commonly used image for the kingdom of God in the Hebrew and the Christian Scriptures. The feast was a symbol of the abundance to be provided by God for those who have faith.
- A Jewish wedding celebration often lasted for as long as a week, which may explain why some were reluctant to attend. Like living in the kingdom, it was demanding!

EXPLORING THE WORD

There are two parables in today's gospel. The first is about the invited guests who are too preoccupied with their own business and affairs to come to the prepared feast. When we consider the length of time that guests may be involved in

celebration, especially one given by a wealthy king, this is more understandable. The response of the invited guests, the chosen people, was to kill the messengers, an echo of last week's gospel where the people of Israel rejected the prophets. The second parable, in the longer version of the gospel, is about the one who came but did not bother to change into his wedding garments. In both, the reaction of the king seems somewhat extreme! But the parables make an important point about the invitation being offered by God: those who do not bother to respond will lose their invitation; those who accept but fail to change their way of life (their clothes) will also lose out. This text warns that Christian life is a web made up of God's gracious invitation and our free response.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

- What excuses do you make for not doing what you ought?
- Are there things which keep you from responding fully to the invitation?
- What are the things in your life that preoccupy you and make it difficult to respond to the invitation of God?



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(12 October - 19 October)

- *Monday, 12:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 5:1; Lk 11:29-32)
- *Tuesday, 13:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41)
- *Wednesday, 14:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46)
- *Thursday, 15:* St Teresa of Jesus (Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54)
- *Friday, 16:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 28 (Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7)
- *Saturday, 17:* St Ignatius of Antioch (Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12)
- *Sunday 18:* 29th Sunday Ordinary Time (Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Mt 22:15-21)

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).