

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)

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER) - YEAR C

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WILLUNGA CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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OFFICE HOURS

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

- Fr Josy Sebastian (Parish Priest -8382 1717; emergency 0452 524 169)
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- Geraldine and Steve Robinson (Finance Tuesday am)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Peter Laffan (phone 8556 3915)

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 5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:2-4, 22-27

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

SECOND READING

Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed

for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One, I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the

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BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

Please contact the Parish Office

RECONCILIATION

- Aldinga: Saturday 5.00 5.20pm
- Normanville: Second and fourth Sundays at 8.10am
- Willunga: to be organised Reconciliation always available at St Luke's, Noarlunga every Saturday at 9.00am.

ROSARY

10.00am before 10.30am Masses at Normanville. 9.30am on Fridays in the Chapel at Galilee, Aldinga.

QUIET PRAYER

Each day at Willunga for 30 minutes at 7.00am and 5.00pm. All welcome.

REFLECTION GROUPS

Willunga Thursday Group meets weekly to reflect on Gospel for the following Sunday. Parish House, 7.00pm. Fr Tom (8557 1072)

FIRST FRIDAY MASSES

First Friday Mass: Willunga at 9.00am; Normanville at 6.00pm

FAMILY MASSES

Aldinga: 2nd Saturday - 5.30pm

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Galilee Learning Centre
St John the Apostle
All Saints Primary
Cardijn College
Marcellin Tech College
8557 9000
8382 2064
8327 0020
8392 9500
8186 9700

PLAYGROUP

Monday mornings 9.00am - 10.30am in Shared Space, Stage 1, Galilee School, Aldinga. Co-ordinator - Melanie Wilson (8557 9000)

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Meetings held twice monthly - every second Monday of month and the Monday, two weeks later, both at 9.30am. Meetings: Aldinga Community Centre, Stewart Road, Aldinga. Contact: Vinnies-Willunga@svdpsa.org.au

GALILEE HOUSEKEEPING TEAM

Feel free to contact any member of the committee about issues in the Aldinga community - Fr Josy (8382 1717), David Manders (8556 5667), Francoise or Ken Creevey (8557 6287), Mario Bacchin (8323 9909), Judi Driscoll (0428 310 548).

GALILEE OP SHOP

How Road, Aldinga. Open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9.30am - 3.00pm Phone: 0474 107 694



REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES (or COMMUNION SERVICES)

Mon No Masses in Willunga Parish 9.00am - Noarlunga

Tue 9.15am - Aldinga Wed 9.00am - Willunga Thur 9.00am - Willunga Fri 9.00am - Willunga 1st Fri Normanville: 5.30pm -

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 6.00pm - Mass (followed by shared meal)

POSITION VACANT

We are looking for someone to fill the voluntary position of Parish Finance Officer. This position is currently filled by Steve and Geraldine Robinson. The work involves counting and recording the weekly collection (on a weekday, during banking hours) and paying accounts.

The whole job (the counting and the accounts) takes about two hours per week.

If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact Steve Robinson (phone 8323 9545). Steve is happy to work beside a person new to the job, as they settle in.

Gael Maloney

(Willunga PFC Secretary)

WANTED STRONG SHOPPING BAGS



Do you have re-usable shopping bags multiplying in the boot of your car? If you would like to reduce them to a manageable number, Vinnies are more than happy to recycle them for you. Strong shopping bags are urgently needed to pack groceries in, for those in the community who are seeking assistance.

Bags may be left in the foyer of the Church in the Vinnies box provided.

THOMAS IS LOOKING FOR YOU

Someone once asked Gandhi, the great Hindu peacemaker, why he had rejected Christianity. Gandhi said he

never rejected Jesus. He just couldn't find many Christians that actually lived like Jesus taught. What would Gandhi say if he visited your church, family, youth group, or school?

This week's Gospel points out an important reality about Jesus' Resurrection. People often need some proof to really believe in it. Thomas was like you and me. He found the disciples' story hard to believe until Jesus appeared and showed him his wounds.

Looking back on my life, I realise I became convinced about Jesus' victory over death because of Catholic heroes. I've come to believe because, like Thomas, I've seen Jesus' wounds in people like Oscar Romero, a Central-American bishop who was martyred because he protested oppression. Romero was canonised by Pope Francis and joined the Communion of Saints in 2018. I see Jesus' wounds in every person who sacrifices time, sweat, or blood to ease suffering or stand for good.

This Easter season ask yourself whether a doubting Thomas could see the resurrected Jesus in your daily life. Could someone come to believe in Christ by watching how you treat family, friends, and classmates? Would someone praise God because of how you sacrifice for the poor? Would someone believe the Gospel's message because of how you take risks to do the right thing?

If Gandhi or Oscar Romero followed you this week, what would they say?

GPBS eNews

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Next weekend (May 4, 5) envelopes will be distributed for the annual St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal. The Winter Vinnies Appeal will provide emergency relief to people at risk and experiencing homelessness.

Founded in Paris in 1833, the St Vincent de Paul Society soon became an international humanitarian charity, reaching Australia in 1854. The Society plays a critical role advocating for and supporting disadvantaged people throughout the nation including South Australia, where our organisation was established in 1884.

Bulletin Board



Each year, the Society helps in excess of 100,000 South Australians by providing friendship as well as accommodation, food, assistance to migrants and refugees, clothing, furniture, money management education and meals via our Fred's Van services. None of this work would be possible without the commitment of the Society's 3,000 dedicated and compassionate members and volunteers.

WILLUNGA PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

The next meeting of the PFC will be held on Thursday, May 9 at 10.30am in the Meeting Room of the Parish House. If you have any items for the discussion, please contact any member of the Council.

MAKING AMENDS

I once encountered a very angry man but I did not know that he was an angry man. We were acquaintances from our parish community and he seemed like a good soul. In time, we travelled together on a mission trip to our sister parish in El Salvador. All went swimmingly until one evening, when whilst sitting at an outdoor table with other members of the delegation, the day's reflection took

a bizarre turn. From what seemed like left field, the man turned to me and began a harsh verbal attack on me as a person. There was no way to respond and I was so hurt that I don't remember what I said. I spent a restless night wondering how in the world we would navigate the remaining days of the visit. We did, though it was not easy and it was awkward. Not long after the trip, the man moved from the parish.

Fast forward several years. I was at work in my parish office when the secretary called me downstairs. Imagine my wary amazement as I walked in and saw this man. We sat down in the parish library. He immediately began to tell me that he was working through a 12-step spiritual direction process and he was at the step where he was apologising to those he had hurt with his anger. Then he apologised. My insides churned as I remembered the pain he had caused and I so wished that my daughter, who had been with me on the delegation, could witness the moment, but I looked at him and saw his own awkward pain, and I accepted his apology - with gratitude. We all are called to the work of reconciliation. GPBS eNews

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Val Gater, Bernie Wilkie, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Marie Cester, Mary Moore

WHAT'S ON

May 2	St Peter's Choir practice
May 12	Vinnies Winter Appeal

May 12 Mother's Day

May 30 St Peter's Choir practice Jun 9 Propagation of Faith Appeal

Queen's birthday holiday Jun 10

Jun 27 St Peter's Choir practice

Holy Father' Appeal Jun 30 Last day School term 2 Jul 5

NATSICC Appeal Jul 7 Jul 14 Apostleship of the Sea Appeal

Jul 22 First day School term 3

Jul 25 St Peter's Choir practice

Solemnity, Mary of the Cross Aug 8

Appeal for Vocations Aug 11

Assumption Blessed Virgin Aug 15 Mary

Aug 22 St Peter's Choir practice

Sep 1 Father's Day

Sep Catholic Charities Appeal

Sep 19 St Peter's Choir practice Sep 27 Last day School term 3

Oct 7 Labour Day public holiday

Oct 14 First day School term 4 Oct 24 St Peter's Choir practice

Nov 21 St Peter's Choir practice

Dec 12 St Peter's Choir practice

Dec 13 Last day School term 4

COLLECTIONS Easter 2019

First collection	\$1734.00
Envelopes	\$457.00
Unpledged	\$1025.00
Holy Places Appeal	\$809.00
Project Compassion	\$2408.00

Your support is much appreciated.

ALDINGA WASHPOOL OPEN DAY

Sunday 5 May 10.00am - 2.00pm Button Road, Aldinga Beach

Aldinga Washpool is a seasonal wetland between Aldinga Scrub and Sellicks Beach, just back from the beach. It is a place where waterbirds from across the world come to breed and feed during winter. The Open Day will offer a unique opportunity for people of all ages to learn about the Kaurna heritage, the vegetation and the creatures that make this a precious place. Lunch provided. Registrations necessary - contact Peter Laffan (8556 3915). Registrations close Wednesday 1 May. Peter Laffan

ROSTERS

ALDINGA	Saturday 27 April	Saturday 4 May
Welcome	Ros Shoumack	Christina Tiedge
Commentator	Peter Laffan	Robert Daly
Readers	Michelle Cormack	Leo Dundon
	Lilia Parkinson	Angela Trembath
Eucharistic Ministers Judi Driscoll		Maria Jarvis-Maack
	Brigid Grimwood	Mario Bacchin

NORMANVILLE Sunday. 28 April

NORMANVILLE	Sunday, 28 April	Sunday, 5 May
Welcome	Barbara Kingham	Ena Harvey
Commentator/Prayers	David Salkeld	Joan Fogarty
Reader	Jacqui Salkeld	Park Fogarty
Eucharistic Minister	Judy Hore	Patricia Litvensky
Church Cleaning	Park & Joan Fogarty	David and Jacqui Salkeld

WILLUNGA

Church Linen

Counting

Welcome Commentary First Reader Second Reader Eucharistic Ministers Jim Smith Church Cleaning

Sunday, 28 April Barbara Smith John Hounslow Sue Thompson Ian La Ronde Margaret Guley Christina Rasera

Anna Rogers

Pauleen Hounslow

Sunday, 5 May Laurie Cester Gael Malonev Michael Hynes Jim Smith Steve Maglieri Norman Lee Christina Rasera Margaret Guley Chris McWilliams

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple cnr Quinliven and How Roads Saturday 5.30pm Tuesday 9.15am

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St Sunday 9.00am Wednesday 9.30am

KINGSCOTE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, cnr Todd and Giles Streets Sunday 9.30am

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
1st Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.15am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am 2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am 1st Friday 6.00pm

PARNDANA

2nd Sunday 2.30pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace (shared with Anglicans) 1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd Sunday 10.45am Wednesday 9.00am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am
1st Friday Benediction following Mass

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am 2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am Wednesday 9.00am Thursday 9.00am Friday 9.00am (Continued from page 1)

disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied. 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

DID YOU KNOW?

• The period of Easter to Pentecost is known as 'the Great Fifty Days' and is an integral part of the Lent–Easter–Pentecost cycle.

- There is an ancient tradition that Thomas preached the Gospel as far east as India.
- The next few weeks feature readings from John's Gospel, the last of the written canonical gospels. While the Synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke) are read through the normal three-year cycle, John is featured in particular seasons throughout the normal cycle.

EXPLORING THE WORD

This gospel is one of transformation. The fear of the disciples, locked in their upper room and huddled in upon themselves, is transformed by the gift of peace that Jesus brings and his giving of the Spirit to strengthen them on their way. The doubt of Thomas is transformed by his encounter with the risen Lord. With this transformation, however, comes responsibility. Just as Jesus was sent by the Father, now, too, the disciples are sent into the world to act as Jesus did.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(29 April - 05 May)

- *Monday, 29:* St Catherine of Siena (Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8)
- *Tuesday, 30:* Tuesday, second week of Easter (Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7-15)
- *Wednesday, 01:* Wednesday, second week of Easter (Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21)
- *Thursday, 02:* St Athanasius (Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36)
- *Friday, 03:* Sts Philip and James (1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14)
- *Saturday, 04:* Saturday, second week of Easter (Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21)
- *Sunday 05:* THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER (Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Apoc 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19)

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know. Contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).