



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)

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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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)



MAY YOUR EYES
BE OPENED

FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.'

Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming, the retribution
of God; he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be
opened, the ears of the deaf
unsealed, then the lame shall leap
like a deer and the tongues of the
dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 145:7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING

James 2:1-5

My brothers, do not try to combine
faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified
Lord, with the making of
distinctions between classes of
people. Now suppose a man comes
into your synagogue, beautifully
dressed and with a gold ring on,
and at the same time a poor man
comes in, in shabby clothes, and
you take notice of the well-dressed
man, and say, 'Come this way to
the best seats'; then you tell the

poor man, 'Stand over there' or
'You can sit on the floor by my
foot-rest.' Can't you see that you
have used two different standards
in your mind, and turned
yourselves into judges, and corrupt
judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was
those who are poor according to
the world that God chose, to be
rich in faith and to be the heirs to
the kingdom which he promised to
those who love him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Jesus preached the Good News of
the kingdom and healed all who
were sick.*

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre,
Jesus went by way of Sidon towards
the Sea of Galilee, right through the
Decapolis region. And they brought
him a deaf man who had an
impediment in his speech; and they
asked him to lay his hand on him.
He took him aside in private, away
from the crowd, put his fingers into
the man's ears and touched his
tongue with spittle.

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Bulletin Board

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

Ps 118:137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.



HAPPY 65TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations, love and best wishes to May and Ren Dunn (from St Joseph's community) on reaching this amazing milestone.

ARE YOU SOMEONE, OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming a Catholic?
- Was baptised a Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

Noarlunga/Seaford Parish is offering an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions (beginning Wednesday 22 September) focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. Anyone interested is welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For more information, please contact Paul Knobloch (0433 471 077 or email pknobloch@adam.com.au)

FIRST COMMUNION IN OUR PARISH

This weekend nine children from our parish will come to the Table of the Lord for the first time. Three children will be celebrating their First Communion at the 5.30pm Mass at Mary of Galilee Church, Aldinga on Saturday, 4 September, and six children will be celebrating their First Communion at the 8.30am Mass at St Joseph's Church, Willunga.

These children are: **Wykeham Bayly, Kade Coppock, Daniel Oddie, Emily Pitcher, Lucy Pitcher, Auburn Turley, Poet Turley, Esther Wallace and Toni Zagajewski.**

Please pray for these children as they enter fully into membership of our Catholic Community, and for their families that they will continue to guide these young people in the ways of faith.

Sharon Doyle
and Sr Margaret Ann

September is Catholic Charities month

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Putting Compassion Into Action

CHARITY IS AT THE HEART OF LIVING CATHOLIC

Catholic Charities is your umbrella organisation that supports the following agencies working with the most vulnerable in South Australia.

Catholic Charities supports:

- Hutt St Centre
- SA Catholic Deaf Association
- Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
- Our Lady of La Vang and St Patrick's Special Schools
- Centacare Catholic Family Services

Make a donation today by post:

Catholic Charities Appeal

Reply Paid 912

GPO Box Adelaide SA 5001 or online at www.adelaide.catholic.org.au

Envelopes will also be available at all our Churches during September.

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK

National Child Protection Week (5-11 September) is an annual event starting on the first Sunday of September. This year's theme 'Every child, in every community, needs a fair go' aims to spread the message that to treat all of

Australia's children fairly, we need to make sure every family and community has what kids need to thrive and be healthy.

Visit <https://www.napcan.org.au/get-involved-2021/> to find out more about the campaign and how you can get involved including signing up for the newsletter, adding your logo, downloading posters, and joining in events and activities.

A feature of this year's campaign will be the week-long webinar series which has been carefully designed to explore the theme: 'Every child, in every community, needs a fair go'. The webinars will feature more than 20 expert presenters from a range of organisations across Australia including ARACY, B4 Early Years Coalition, Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project, Children and Young People with Disability Australia (CYDA), Children's Commissioners, Connected Beginnings, Everybody's Home Campaign, Flinders University, FrameWorks Institute US, NAPCAN, Top End Dreaming, SNAICC – National Voice for Our Children, St Aidan's Anglican Girls' School, Talk Revolution, Women's and Girls' Emergency Centre (WAGEC) and Yerin Eleanor Duncan Aboriginal Health Services. For the full program and to register go to: <https://www.napcan.org.au/ncpw-webinars-2021/>

The Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday on 12 September, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:

www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

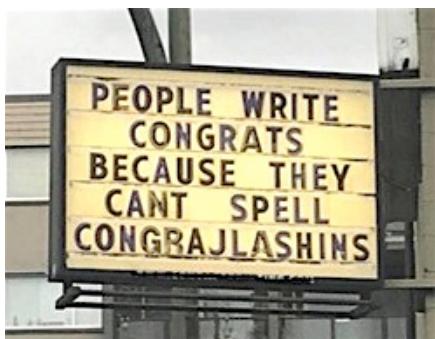
BLESSING OF SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday, September 19

Due to COVID-19, the normal celebration for wedding anniversaries in the Archdiocese will be held in local parish communities to recognise couples in their life-long commitment

(25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 and 60 or more years).

Please let us know if you have a significant anniversary this year, that you would like recognised (contact Gael Maloney - 0447 421 948 or Sr Margaret Ann - 0488 287 552).



'TREASURING OUR LATER YEARS' (Reflection series via ZOOM)

Six Wednesdays
22 September to 27 October 2021,
12.45pm - 3.00pm

Facilitated by Nicole Rotaru rsm, this series offers participants an opportunity to explore new possibilities that ageing offers daily. It will include input, conversation and the opportunity to depth and integrate reflections and learnings through personal reflection and creative expressions.

Topics covered include: ageing; spirituality; relationships; meaning; gratitude; death. Cost \$180 for the series, or \$30 per session. Bookings and payment via Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation website at www.heartoflife.melbourne For more information, contact email: secretary@heartoflife.melbourne or tel: (03) 9890 1101.

CRYING OUT
The SA Dialogue of The Roman Catholic and Uniting Churches
Please click on link to: ["Crying Out – Exploring the Statement from the Heart and are for the environment"](#) a resource developed over the past 18 months by the SA Dialogue of Roman Catholic and Uniting Church.

WILLUNGA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The next meeting of the PPC will be held on Wednesday, September 16. If you have any items to be included in the Agenda please contact, Christine McWilliams 0451 144 776 or Vivi Boucher 0490 331 935

ADVANCE NOTICE

Make a note in your diary now of a Trivia Quiz afternoon on October 10. Get together your own team of six, or come along and join in with others to make up a table. This event is supported by our PPC.



ROSTERS

ALDINGA
Commentator
Readers

Saturday 4 September
Christina Tiedge
Peter Laffan
Ken Creevey

Saturday 11 September
Chris McWilliams
Christina Tiedge
Heidi Davidson

NORMANVILLE
Welcomer
Commentator
Reader
Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 5 September
Judy Hore
Thia Van Kuyk
Michael Stella
Trish Bohnsack, Rita Stellar

Sunday, 12 September
Leo Montgomery
Trish Bohnsack
Mary Kennedy
Trish Bohnsack, Rita Stellar

WILLUNGA
Commentator
Reader
Flowers
Church Linen

Sunday, 5 September
Wayne Best
Ian La Ronde
May Dunn
Marie Cester

Sunday, 12 September
Vanda Farrall
Megan Chapman
Rebecca Pace
Wayne Best

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, Rose Sulda

Recently deceased: Mark Penezic, Sabu Sebastian, Jean Oliver (*mother of Sue Briggs*)

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

DATES

Sep 1-30 Catholic Charities Month
5 Sep Fathers' Day
5-11 Sep Child Protection Week
7 Sep Creative Corner 11am - 2pm
16 Sep Willunga Parish Pastoral Council meeting
21 Sep Creative Corner 11am - 2pm
24 Sep Last day School Term 3
4 Oct Labour Day holiday
10 Oct Trivia Quiz - Galilee Hall
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

FATHERS IN OUR LIVES

We give our thanks, Creator God, for the fathers in our lives.

Fatherhood does not come with a manual, and reality teaches us that some fathers excel while others fail.

We ask for your blessings for them all and forgiveness where it is needed.

This Father's Day we remember the many sacrifices fathers make for their children and families, and the ways (big and small) they lift children to achieve dreams thought beyond reach.

For those who are fathers, we ask for wisdom and humility in the face of the task of parenting. Give them the strength to do well by their children and by You. In Your Holy name, O God, we pray. Amen.

Happy Fathers' Day

to all our parishioners who are fathers

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 21 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.
- Congregational singing may resume, provided those singing wear a mask that covers both mouth and nose.
- 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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Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, ‘Ephphatha’, that is, ‘Be opened.’ And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. ‘He has done all things well,’ they said ‘he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.’

OFF-TRACK HEALING

Jesus cured the deaf man with the speech impediment in this week's gospel by poking him in the ear and spitting in his mouth. Oddly enough that was the common method of treatment among the healers of Jesus' time. So, what made Jesus different? Why was he thrilling the masses like no other healer before or since? I chalk it up to one simple gesture: Jesus took the deaf man “off by himself away from the crowd”. You see, Jesus wasn't looking for glory or recognition in his ministry. What he wanted was whole and well people. He knew the best way to accomplish that was to keep himself and the sick person focussed on the healing and undistracted by the crowd. And by protecting his patient from the embarrassment of peering eyes, Jesus showed a profound respect for the deaf man, which no doubt played a part in the cure.

Think of the times you've been pulled aside by a parent, friend, boss, or mentor and been called to task or given some advice. How much better did you hear the words being spoken during those times than when someone tried to set you straight in front of roomful of people?

Next time you feel someone is turning a deaf ear on you, follow Jesus' lead and use respect, not shame, to remedy the situation.

The Commissioning:
Go from here as those who will widen their horizons. We will not be bound by habitual thoughts and actions. We will listen for different voices. We will reflect on new approaches. We will try opening our

hearts to other things. We will rejoice in unexpected experiences of justice. We will accept fresh leading of the Spirit. The God of Love will be your companion. We have nothing to fear.

GPBS eNews

DID YOU KNOW?

- Tyre and Sidon are cities on the Mediterranean coast in the far north of Israel, now southern Lebanon. They were the leading cities of the Phoenicians. This was not Jewish territory. Jesus has entered the realm of the Gentiles.
- The Decapolis was a federation of ten cities with a largely Greek culture. Most were in the area of the eastern side of the Jordan River to the south of the Sea of Galilee.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(September 06 - 12)

- **Monday, 06:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 1:24 - 2:3; Lk 6:6-11)
- **Tuesday, 07:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Wednesday, 08:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Micah 5:1-4; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23)
- **Thursday, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38)
- **Friday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42)
- **Saturday, 11:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49)
- **Sunday 12:** 24th SUNDAY in ORD TIME (Is 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35)



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).