



Come to me and I will give you rest.

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

PARISH MASSES

Weekdays

- Aldinga - Tue 9.15am.
- Willunga - Wed, Thu, Fri at 9.00am.
- Normanville - Fri 12.00noon (until further notice)

Weekends

- Aldinga - Saturday 5.30pm
- Willunga - Sunday 8.30am (1st, 3rd, 5th), 10.30am (2nd, 4th Sundays)
- Normanville Sunday 12.00noon



FIRST READING

Zechariah 9:9-10

The Lord says this:

Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem! See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING

Romans 8:9,11-13

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no

necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do.

Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

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Bulletin Board

WELCOME BOB



We are very pleased to welcome Bob Daly (from the Galilee community), who has agreed to take on the Parish Finance Officer role.

Bob shared a little of his life story with us in the 25/26 April bulletin. He has a range of skills, training and life experiences that will make him eminently suitable for this role.

Special thanks to Sue Summers, our retiring Finance Officer, who has kindly offered to come in for a couple of weeks to do a handover of the role. Bob will officially take over from next week.



PARISH MASSES

(Saturday 4th, Sunday 5th July)

Masses this weekend will be held at:

- Mary of Galilee - Saturday 5.30pm
- St Joseph's - Sunday 8.30am
- St Peter's - Sunday 12.00noon

With the introduction of Level 3 restrictions (1 person per 2sq.m) we are permitted up to 45 people (excluding Staff) at Galilee, up to 30 people at St Peter's and up to 75 at St Joseph's.

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).

We are still required to:

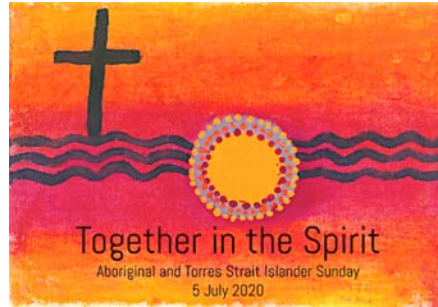
- Sign-on on entering the Church
- Continue using hand sanitiser
- Continue regularly wiping surfaces and cleaning our Churches
- Encourage those who are or unwell to stay home
- Avoid physical greetings: hugs, kisses and handshakes.

The Archdiocese recommends that those who are at higher risk from Covid-19 should be encouraged to stay home, but also reassures everyone that the obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity has still not been re-invoked at this stage.

COMMUNION AT HOME

We are now able once more to take Communion to parishioners at home - if they are happy to have a visit. If you know of anyone in the Parish who is not able to attend Mass at present, but who would like Communion at home, contact Sr Margaret Ann (0488 287 552).

NATIONAL ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER CATHOLIC COUNCIL



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday will be celebrated throughout Australia this Sunday – despite NAIDOC week occurring later in the year. NATSICC feels it is important that we celebrate as Australians during these difficult times.

Archbishop Pat O'Regan will celebrate a nationally-live-streamed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Mass at 11.00am. The link will be available at www.natsicc.org.au

NATIONAL APPEAL SEA SUNDAY

SEA SUNDAY >> 12 JULY 2020



The Theme for this year's Sea Sunday is "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11: 28)

It is a fact, that over 95% of global trade is carried by ships. As an island nation, we in Australia are totally reliant on ships and the commodities they bring to us for our survival.

The Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) ministry concerns itself totally with the welfare and pastoral care of seafarers who crew these ships and is dependent on donations both financial and in kind. This annual appeal encourages the Catholic community to acknowledge seafarers as the essential workers they are and to respond by giving back something to them in gratitude for all the sacrifices they endure to make our lives more comfortable. To donate, please visit: www.aos-australia.org

ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

Winter Appeal

The Winter Appeal raised \$1,930 in our Parish - as well as any donations that came in online. Thank you to all the people who donated.

CEO Sleepout

The Vinnies CEO Sleepout Tally for SA currently stands at \$667,512 (and is still climbing).

With JobSeeker Covid Supplement and JobKeeper coming to an end we know that more people will be turning to Vinnies for help, so these funds are vital for us going forward.

The livestream format (due to Mass gathering restrictions) proved to be a hit, with host Andrew Rochford conducting some very moving interviews with people who had accessed Vinnies services, plus some of the participants. If you didn't get a chance to tune in, you can do so at <https://player.vimeo.com/video/430360499> or <http://live.createengage.com.au/vinniesceosleepout2020/index.html>

We were very pleased to see BankSA CEO Nick Reade receive national highest fundraising honours for the fifth year in a row, with \$225,000 raised. An incredible achievement, and a testament to how invested BankSA and Westpac staff are in Vinnies.

Registrations for 2021 are now open at www.ceosleepout.org.au

Bushfire Appeal

Despite Bushfire Appeal donations coming in as late as last week, we are on the cusp of finalising the distribution of the funds raised via the Vinnies SA Bushfire Appeal. By the end of this month, 100% of monies raised via the appeal – plus interest – will have been distributed to those affected by the bushfires in South Australia.

Mario Bacchin

ALL THIS STUFF!

Consider the last time you struggled with a too-heavy suitcase, or had to pack up all your possessions and move to another address. Compare that with the yoke of Christ: the burden of love we carry in our hearts. Which experience is better, more life-giving, more real?

The yoke of Christ is the mandate to love, even when it means sacrifice, even if it involves suffering. It's not the silly, romantic love that shows up in all the movies, but the day-to-day love of parents for children, the plodding fidelity of spouses, the single-hearted devotion of artists for their craft, the constancy of friends who support us when the news is bad. It's a mirror of the love God has for us, and when we're faithful in love, we open a window to that greater love for those around us to experience.

Love is a burden; but it's a lovely one to bear. Anyone who has loved, in sickness and in health, for richer or poorer, knows that some burdens are a privilege to carry. If our love is tied up in the things of this world, we'll be dragging that overstuffed suitcase around and wondering why we ache so. If our hearts are free to love others, Christ will carry that love to places we haven't dreamed of. *GPBS eNews*

LESSON LEARNED

A troubled boy was brought into a childcare centre, and from the time he hit the front door of his new dorm he disrupted everything. He was loud and abusive, and he refused any help and defied all instructions. He was given new clothes but flung them on the floor. He was shown his new bed, and he kicked it and pulled the blankets and sheets off it.

Though he calmed down a little as days progressed, his defiance and his attitude remained unchanged. He felt everyone was against him, and he took every sign of kindness as an attack.

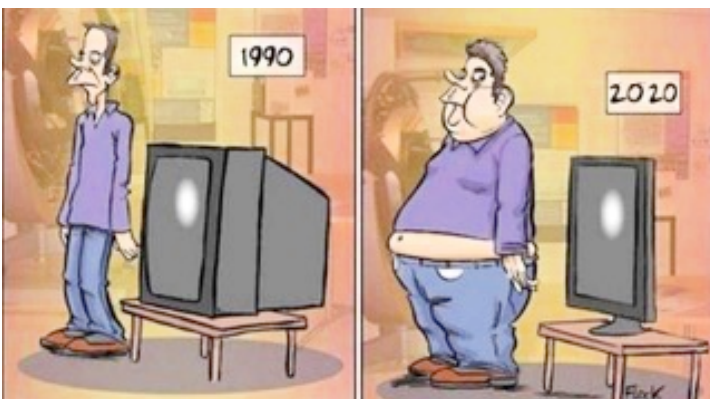
The dorm's head counsellor had a secret strategy, however: enormous patience. She kept offering him a safe, respectful environment, and when he reacted negatively she was firm but never responded negatively herself. She said, "He resisted all my instructions, but what he really was resisting was his own goodness. He didn't realise that if he could give in and do what he knew he ought to do, he'd finally find peace in himself and in the world".

He learned that lesson finally and today is busy teaching his own children how to find that inner peace. In this week's gospel, Jesus not only offers peace to those who are burdened but also a way that we can find that rest for ourselves. The first step is to stop resisting what's

good for us - including our own goodness.

GPBS eNews

- Don't forget to drink water and get some sun. You are basically a house-plant with complicated emotions.



ROSTERS

ALDINGA
 Commentator
 Readers
Saturday 04 July
 Chris McWilliams
 Michelle Cormack
 Leo Dundon

Saturday 11 July
 Michelle Cormack
 Bob Daly
 Rod Boucher

NORMANVILLE
Sunday, 05 July
 To be advised

Sunday, 12 July
 To be advised

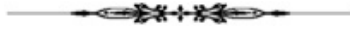
WILLUNGA
 Commentator
 Reader
 Church Cleaning
 Church Linen
Sunday, 05 July
 Wayne Best
 Anna Rogers
 Michael Hynes
 Margaret Guley

Sunday, 12 July
 Marie Andrews
 Sue Thompson
 Michael Hynes
 Marie Cester

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Val Gater, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Judy Hore, Vence Sulda, Kate Hall, Judy Millington, Beth Thomas, Tilly Kirtland

Recently deceased: Paul Redden (*Liz Pitcher's father*)



DATES

- Jul 20 Term 3 begins
- Aug 15 Assumption of Virgin Mary
- Sep 6 Fathers' Day
- Sep 26 School holidays begin
- Oct 5 Labour Day holiday
- Oct 12 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

Direct payments

If you would like to organise your Church donations via bank transfer, please contact Bob Daly (0416 156 213) for details.

If you have envelopes at home, please leave a message on the Parish Office phone to organise collection, or arrange to drop them into the Office on Friday mornings between 9.30am and 11.00am.



When you lie on your resumé, but still get the job.

- I'm a leader not a follower; unless it's a dark place, then you're going first.
- Aliens probably drive past Earth and lock their doors ...
- Predictive text and I have a love hat relationship.

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(The following conditions apply from Monday June 29)

- 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.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- No collection plates or hymn books are to be passed around.
- 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.
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Offertory procession will be omitted.
- 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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EXPLORING THE WORD

Matthew's community must have been deeply troubled by the fact that the 'learned and clever' religious leaders of the day did not accept the message of Jesus. Surely they, of all people, should have been in a position to recognise the truth. But in this passage, Matthew explains that it is not from a position of knowledge or power that one recognises the truth; rather it is from an attitude of openness and simplicity.

Jesus' intimate address of *Abba* (*Father*) is used five times. This intimate relationship is characterised by God's entrusting all things to the Son, and the Son in turn revealing them to those who have faith. Jesus is the perfect teacher, describing himself as gentle and humble in heart.

There is an interesting contrast here between the burden of following the restrictive laws of the Pharisees and the 'easy burden' of faith in Christ. The rules and laws of the Pharisees often added to the burden experienced by people of the day, while Jesus tried to lift the burden from people.

SHARING THE TRADITION

Throughout the history of the Church there have been examples of people who have taken up the 'burden' of faith and experienced it as a double edged sword of both great joy and blessing as well as an awesome responsibility leading to hardship and persecution. Australia's Saint Mary of the Cross (Mary MacKillop) is one example.

Born in Fitzroy in 1842, Mary was fifteen when she felt called to be a nun. Unable to find a religious order which suited her call, Mary began her own – the Sisters of St Joseph – in 1867, dedicated to the education of the poor, particularly, the rural poor. Her independence and determination to live under her own rule and not that of the Bishop, led her into conflict with Church authorities. At the centre of the difficulty was Mary's insistence that her sisters live absolute poverty and rely on God to provide for their needs. This meant begging which the Bishops thought unseemly. Mary was

excommunicated in 1871 only to be re-instated in 1872, although opposition by some continued. Despite the setbacks and disappointments, the Josephite order continued to expand both in membership and ministry. Her struggle was worth the effort and Mary was Canonised a saint in Rome in 2010 by Pope Benedict XVI.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The prayer of blessing which Jesus makes in this gospel is known as a *berakah*. It is the basis of Jewish prayers of praise and thanksgiving. In our liturgy we use the *berakah* form just before the Eucharistic Prayer: *Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread and wine to offer ... to which we all respond: Blessed be God forever.*
- A yoke is a piece of agricultural equipment that went around the neck of an ox. It is attached to a plough or a cart that the ox drags along. This method is still used in many parts of the world. The yoke takes the burden of the load which the oxen must pull. It is heavy work.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(06 - 12 July)

- **Monday, 10:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 14 (Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26)
- **Tuesday, 11:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 14 (Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38)
- **Wednesday, 12:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 14 (Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7)
- **Thursday, 13:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 14 (Hosea 11:1-4, 8-9; Mt 10:7-15)
- **Friday, 14:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 14 (Hosea 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23)
- **Saturday, 15:** St Benedict (Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33)
- **Sunday 16:** 15th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-3)

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).