



Welcome to

Willunga Catholic Parish

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

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CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

THERE WILL BE NO MASSES OR PUBLIC LITURGIES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE THE NEWSLETTER ON OUR WEBSITE.

www.willungaparish.org.au/parish_newsletter.html



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

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

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

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.

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*Dear Friends,
Please look after yourselves because people are going crazy from being in lock down! Actually I've just been talking about this with the microwave and toaster while drinking coffee and all of us agreed things are getting bad.*

I didn't mention anything to the washing machine as she puts a different spin on everything and certainly not the fridge, as he's acting cold and distant. In the end the iron calmed me down as she said everything will be fine and no situation is too pressing.

Well, my vacuum cleaner said that we just have to suck it up and get on with things ... my cooker said there's no pressure and my bed said I should sleep on it. I've just chatted to my liquidiser who suggests we should try to blend in with everyone... but the kettle was boiling mad with all the restrictions.

MY STORY

(with Fr Tom Gleeson)



I was at a school footy match at Salisbury. I saw a bloke there, Richard Dickenson, with whom I had played footy years before. I asked him what he was doing

there, and he told me he was watching his son play. He asked why I was there and I told him I was the local priest. His mouth dropped open, he stared at me and said: "You're a bloody what!!" I laughed. I could understand his surprise. Even there at Salisbury I had been a brickies labourer in building St Augustine's Church.

I was the fifth of six children of Dave and Delia Gleeson (nee Shinnick). In 1940 instead of corona virus we had a world war. Instead of masks, Dad had dug an air raid shelter in our back yard. Gawler had an aerodrome with underground hangers where planes would land, sink down on a lift below ground be refuelled with petrol and ammunition before being raised to ground level and take off.

I was five when the war ended, it finished on my brother Jim's 7th birthday, we all rang bells and Mustangs and Spitfires flew down low over the paddock in front of our house, it was a great celebration.

When the war ended the Air force barracks were turned into a migrant hostel. Dad, who had been at Gallipoli in the first world war, felt for the migrants. He would take me with him in his T Ford to the hostel and pick up a pile of children and take them for a drive around Gawler. I learnt to know and love migrants and their different ways.

I, like the rest of the family went to the Good Samaritan Convent School Gawler. My brother Jim was killed when he was hit by a car going a message for mum on 3 October 1947. It was Friday and we had his body home for the weekend. His coffin was open and many people came through to see him. I remember standing there touching him, they were telling me he had gone to heaven, I was stunned; inside I was screaming out, but I never made a sound. The day of the funeral Dad went up to the bloke who was driving the car that killed Jim and gave him a big hug, I will never forget that forgiveness.

When I came back to school for Year 9, Sister De Lourdes told me I would have to do Year 8 again, because she was the only teacher for Years 8, 9 and 10, and I was the only one doing the 'General course' of maths and physics etc, so I had to learn 'Commercial', shorthand bookkeeping etc. Next year I was sent to Marist Brothers, Thebarton. I would catch the 7.04am train in the morning, the Bunny Bros Bus to Thebarton and the 4.13pm home.

I wagged school often. I would spend my lunch money to hire a row boat on the Torrens and row up behind the Zoo and shoot ducks with my shanghai. I was never caught out.

I was employed at Weapons Research Establishment. I did a Sheet Metal Work apprenticeship, and a course in Engineering Drawing and Design. I was trouble there. I had also started playing football for South Gawler, that kept me out of jail, I am sure. And all of that is a great and other story

It was from there, as many of you know, that I experienced the suicide of a workmate at Woomera. the subsequent walk in the desert through the night changed my life. As I walked out there I thought of the bloke who had died. He had no more worries about his debts, his wife, with whom he was fighting, or the hassles of work. I thought: 'Why can't I do that?' Mum

was on my case telling me not to drink so much, Dad giving me a hard time about the girls, my boss asking me what I was doing with my life, and my footy coach telling me I could play league footy if I put my mind to it. The question came to me there: what is life about? I thought of Mum and Dad. What was life for them? I saw that they believed in God and that was what gave them hope and meaning to life. I asked myself, "What do I believe?" There in the desert that night, the stars, earth, and myself, 'caught fire' with an amazing energy. Today I would call it Love/God.

I searched again and again for that God. I went steady with girls who would want to marry, but nowhere could I find what touched me in the desert. Finally, through another Good Samaritan Sister Veronica, I heard of St Paul's Seminary for older students. I was going to become a priest, I thought that the Seminary would be the place to find again this God I had lost, but it wasn't. Even on the day I was ordained, I was lying there on the sanctuary of the Cathedral with all the people praying and I was saying inside myself: "Well they are up for it God, what about you?" Nothing!

I was appointed to Mt Gambier and while there for my first holidays I made a 30 day Silent Retreat with the Jesuit novices. There in the silence of that time those lines from Isaiah: "Thus says our God who created you Tom, do not be afraid for I have redeemed you....you are precious in my eyes, you are honoured and I love you.' I caught fire again, and have never lost it. I want for everyone to catch fire. I want



Post-Coronavirus males, displaying their Hunter Gatherer prowess in order to attract mates

for everyone to know that hidden fire of Love that abides in our hearts, it is Divine Eternal Love.

I was at Salisbury next and it was there that I met Richard Dickenson, and that's a bit of how I got there. I was appointed as Diocesan Chaplain to the Young Christian Worker Movement (YCW) until 1985, when I was sent to Kangaroo Island for two years as Parish Priest. I was then sent to Elizabeth to work with a team of four priests and four nuns. I was there until 1992, then one year at Warmun (Turkey Creek), and then with a small community with two Mercy Nuns in Hackham West. In the next two years I surveyed 2,000 people who called themselves catholic but didn't go to Mass, that's another story, In 2000 I was appointed National Chaplain to the YCW. It was from there I came to Willunga.

I said to Philip Wilson, most blokes are busy with parishes but few are doing anything about the Spiritual life of people or working with the Aboriginal people, I told him I wanted to live here because it was at the centre of the Tjilbruke Dreaming for the Kaurna, Peramangk, Raminddjeri, and Ngarrindjeri people. I spoke with Fr Charles, who welcomed the idea of me living here, so I put my swag here in 2002, though I walked through here in '93 on that Tjilbruke trek.

I have been leading Silent Retreats and working as Spiritual Director since 1976. Like an old transplanted gum tree, I am growing more at home here day by day; within our local faith community, our wider community and our Earth. Thank you all for your hospitality and Love.

COVID-19 PHONE COUNSELLING

Now available by appointment
People struggling to cope with the chaos and fear surrounding COVID-19

Looking at the map for some weekend travel ideas



can now access free phone counselling by appointment from Centacare Catholic Family Services.

In response to the health emergency, Centacare has increased capacity to provide telephone support for mental health concerns, family stress due to job loss, social isolation and other challenges arising from the coronavirus pandemic. People do not need a mental health care plan to access the short-term support. Rather, they can phone Centacare direct and book an appointment for a telephone counselling consultation.

Specialist Clinician Elaine Reynolds said it was crucial people did not go it alone at a time when unprecedented social measures were keeping friends and families apart, exacerbating challenges for those already at risk.

“In extreme moments like this, the options for personal control are severely limited, so there are a lot of people feeling lost, powerless and anxious,” Elaine said. “The worries and what-ifs surrounding COVID-19 are enormous, and the ramifications of this can be gut-wrenching for many people.” People can phone Centacare between 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday, to make a daytime or evening appointment. The telephone counselling service is inclusive, non-judgmental and unconditional.

“Centacare wishes to offer a connection to those who seek counselling, strategies, or ways of working through individual, family or relationship issues, without having to leave their home,” Deputy Director Pauline Connelly said. “In isolation with families, what once may have been an irritant can become an aggravator, and what once was a disappointment can lead to confusion and disturbance in one’s thinking. Seeking help early at these times, through phone counselling, can offer relief and provide a pathway to a new normal.”

To book an appointment for COVID-19 telephone counselling, please phone Centacare (8215 6700). For more information, please contact Elizabeth Rowe (0437 062 302).

SUPPORTING FAMILIES, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

While it is imperative that we all follow current health and Government advice and guidelines regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, there are still ways that we can all stay connected and continue to help each other and those in vulnerable situations. It is anticipated that over the



- It's not boring at all to stay in the house, but how come one bag of rice has 7,456 pieces and the other bag only 7,398?
- Petrol is finally affordable and we can't go anywhere!
- Just think, people who kiss their dogs knowing they lick their bottoms every day, are in a panic to buy hand sanitiser.
- If the schools are closed for too long, parents will find a vaccine before the scientists.
- Our cleaning lady called and told us she will be working from home and will send us instructions on what to do.
- Have you tried unplugging 2020, waiting ten seconds and plugging it back in?
- We are about three weeks away from knowing everyone's true hair colour.
- Snow White is down to six dwarfs. Sneezy is in quarantine.

coming months, with community social distancing measures and many people facing the prospect of unemployment or financial insecurity, that families may struggle, violence rates may increase and children will be at increased risk of abuse and neglect.

Helping to explain COVID-19 to children and young people

Younger Children

A short book by author Manuela Monila, to support and reassure children under the age of 7 regarding the COVID-19 is available by PDF, please click on the following link <https://www.mindheart.co/descargables>

Play School have televised a special episode to help explain what's happening at the moment for young children. Families can watch the episode 'Play School: Hello Friends! (A COVID 19 Special)' with their little ones on either ABC iview or on the ABC Kids Community facebook page

From the Child Protection Unit Sally, Imbi, Lili and Kath (8210 8159 childprotection@adelaide.catholic.org.au) As we are working remotely please leave a message and a member of the team will get back to you as soon as possible, emails are checked and responded to daily.

Children and Young People

Beyond Blue provide the following guidance for explaining COVID – 19 to children and young people:

Families and caregivers of children and young people should discuss news of the virus with those in their care in an open and honest way. Try to relate the facts without causing alarm, and in a way that is appropriate for their age and temperament. It is important to listen to any questions they may have, to let them know that they are safe and that it's normal to feel concerned.

If the media or the news is getting too much for them, encourage them to limit their exposure.

MY STORY

(Mystery Guest profile of a Normanville parishioner)



I was born in Indonesia in the 50's, daughter of a wild and adventurous Dutchman and a beautiful Indonesian gal. My brother is a year younger than me and thoroughly tyrannised by his sister.

Our family fled to the Netherlands during a repressive regime, leaving most of our family network behind.

We came to Australia in 1956 and found my Dad's Uncle in Naracoorte, a lovely country town and community where we were quite the novelty. Schooled at the Convent of Mercy until a move to Adelaide in the 60's, I remember the sisters fondly, the playground pepper trees, First Holy Communion kneeling at the altar wearing the white dress and veil my Mum made, beautiful Irish Father Dempsey who would visit our home, put his feet up on the big wood cooker

Yea...

I still haven't decided where to go for Easter



debating between the bedroom or the living room

in the kitchen and drink Coonawarra Port with my Dad.

Dominican Convent Cabra was the recipient of my special talents, not the least of these being my odd, European sense of humour!

My Dutch granny, Oma Sofie stayed with us for 6 months when I was 10. I credit her with instilling in me my Faith and eventually got used to her waking me at 6.30am each day to attend 7am Mass. The singing of the nuns behind the Cabra Chapel grill was wondrous. At Easter, she showed me the pattern of the moving Stations, Holy Thursday, emotional Good Friday and glorious Easter Sunday, which, until this year, I've loved attending.

Thank God for technology, as we all celebrate these feast days at a distance, but together sharing the best gift of Love ever.

My profession of Nursing revealed to me that *"everyone looks the same in their pyjamas"*. From Archbishops to bus drivers, from cleaners to Premiers, all are the same in a hospital bed.

Blessed with a marvellous husband (who cooks!) and precious children and grandchildren, I am grateful for them, for family, for friends, for our Church community and the heritage of our faith.

God Bless you and keep you all safe and well. Happy Easter!

(If you have an idea, or actually know, who our Mystery Writer is, and are the fourth person to get in touch, you will be in line for an amazing prize - email: bahloo2@outlook.com with your answer, name and postal address.)

PROJECT COMPASSION

Thank you for supporting us this year. You will be helping to empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty. There are several ways you can make your donation to Caritas Australia:

1. Send a cheque for the amount of cash you have collected to:
Caritas Australia,
GPO Box 9830,
Sydney, NSW 2001
2. Securely bank your donation via online transfer, or at a branch using the following bank account details
BSB – 062 217
Acc No. 1007 2446
Acc Name – Caritas Australia
Ref. Surname

3. Go to:
www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation, choose Willunga Parish and follow the prompts.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2020 Lenten appeal.

PARISH ONLINE BULLETINS

If you have missed bulletins recently, they are uploaded to our Parish Website each week. The direct link to the news section is: www.willungaparish.org.au/parish_newsletter.html

PHONE NETWORKING

A phone networking group has started amongst Galilee parishioners. If any Galilee parishioner has not been contacted by next Friday, and would like to be, please contact me. If anyone knows the contact details for Barry and/or Noni (I think, a friend of Lilia's) I would be pleased to hear from them. If anyone from other communities would like to be contacted, please let me know.

*Chris McWilliams
(0451 144 776 or jmcw1@gmail.com)*

ARE YOU BORED IN ISOLATION?

(These are some real answers to this question)

- *I cooked a full three-course meal and ate it all myself, whilst pretending I was on a cooking show ... and I won!*
- *Figured out that: "Are you as bored as I am" still makes sense when read backwards.*
- *Finally folded all my laundry and discovered there was chair underneath!*
- *I've had to social distance myself from the fridge.*
- *Unsubscribed from all my useless email lists.*
- *Went through my spice rack and found some oregano from 2008, which is weird because I've only been living in this house for one year.*
- *I've replaced my boyfriend's vitamins with my "women's" vitamins to see if there are any changes in his moods.*
- *I've been knitting*





LIVE STREAMING and TV BROADCAST of EASTER MASSES

The following Easter services will be broadcast on free-to-air-television on Channel 44**, a community television station, at the following times:

- Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6.30pm - 7.30pm
- Good Friday - of the Lord, 3pm - 4pm
- Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, 6pm - 7pm
- Easter Sunday, 9am - 10am

These services will be also be available online via www.adelaide.catholic.org.au or Channel 44 site: www.c44.com.au

Channel 7 will be broadcasting nationally on free to air TV the Lord's Passion at 3pm on Good Friday and at Easter Sunday Mass at 10.30am, both from St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney.

A positive of this time of isolation is that we are spoilt for choice with some amazing celebrants in incredible locations. Do a search and you could be at Mass in Paris .. or the USA .. or India. There are literally hundreds of sites and youtube clips you can access to get broadcasts of Easter Mass services (eg if you would like to watch Bishop Charles in Darwin over the weekend go to <http://www.darwin.catholic.org.au>)

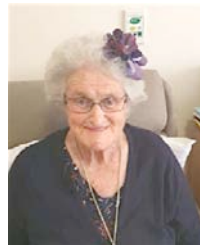
****Channel 44 may not be available unless you have a clear line of sight to Mount Lofty, but you can still get it**



- My thoughts go out to all those married men who've spent months telling their wives "I'll do that when I have the time."
- I don't think anyone expected that when we changed the clocks earlier this month, we'd go from Standard Time to the Twilight Zone.
- Just asked a six year old if he understands why there is no school. He said, "Yes, because they have run out of toilet paper."
- After years of wanting to thoroughly clean my house but lacking the time, I've discovered that wasn't the reason.
- Beware. Two other viruses are spreading at 100 times the rate of Covid-19 - Greed and Stupidity.
- If you see my children locked outside today, mind your business! We're having a Fire Drill!

VALE

Phyllis Mary Ward (nee Rivers)
3/9/1932 - 24/3/2020



Phyllis was born in Adelaide but lived the first 8 years of her life at McLaren Flat with her parents and her brother and sister. They then moved to Caffrey Street, McLaren Vale where she lived until moving into Life Care, Aldinga Beach, 18months ago.

In her early years, Phyllis was a milkmaid with very early mornings, off to school, then home back to the cows. Life was very hard and rewards few.

Phyllis married Cyril Ward in March 1953 and had three children, Jill, Sally, and John. She lived for her children and continued to work hard at any job she could find to give her children everything she had missed in life.

She was widowed at 46 and travelled overseas extensively until old age took over. In her later years, she had a wonderful partner in Vince who is now also deceased.

Rest in Peace Phyllis.

(Contributed by Phyllis' daughter Jill Rivett)

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Val Gater, Bernie Wilkie, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Tony and Judy Hore, Vence Sulda

Recently deceased: Jim Fitzpatrick, Phyllis Ward, Hugh Bulbeck

Anniversary: Rudi Hermann (11 April)

DATES

Apr 9	Holy Thursday
Apr 10	Good Friday
Apr 11	Holy Saturday
Apr 12	Easter Sunday
Apr 25	ANZAC Day
May 10	Mothers' Day
May 24	The Ascension of the Lord
May 31	Pentecost Sunday
Jun 7	The Most Holy Trinity
Jun 8	Queen's birthday holiday
Jun 14	Corpus Christi
Aug 15	Assumption of Virgin Mary
Sep 6	Fathers' Day
Oct 5	Labour Day holiday
Nov 11	Remembrance Day
Dec 25	Christmas Day

COLLECTIONS

Direct payments

If you prefer to organise your Church donations via bank transfer there are several ways you can go about this.

1. Go to www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation and follow the prompts. If you wish to donate to both the first and second collections, you will need to do this twice. For the first collection select *First Collection* and for the second collection, select *General*.
2. If you bank online, you can set up periodic, direct payments yourself. Again, you will need to do this twice - once for the first collection and again for second.
Acc: Willunga Catholic Parish
BSB: 085-005
Acc No: 489 786 511
Ref: Your surname, initials and *First* or *General*
3. Periodic regular payments may also be organised with your bank. Take the account details (above) with you and bank staff can set it up for you.

NB: *First* collection is for the support of our Priests and *General* (second at our Masses) is for the support of our Parish.

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*Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
cnr Todd and Giles Streets*

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace



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NOARLUNGA

*St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve*

SEAFORD

*Seaford Ecumenical Mission,
Grand Bvd*



VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

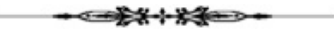
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VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St



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*Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
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NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street

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‘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.



THIS MAN GOD CHOSE

What if Mary hadn’t gone to the tomb that day? John tells us she got up in the darkness, the day after the Sabbath, as soon as religion allowed for work to be done. She had waited with great longing for the end of Saturday, so that she could return to the burial place and anoint the body of one she loved. When she arrived in that dark hour, she found the stone rolled away and her fear propelled her into the presence of the disciples. Jesus’ body was stolen!

Her report mobilised the men, and so Easter came into being. But what if Mary had not returned to the site because of discouragement, fear, or sheer exhaustion? Would anyone have discovered the miracle? Often, we reach the end of our own personal passion week, and never make it to the empty tomb. Lots of things conspire to keep us away. Love is the only reason to go forward, to find that the night is ended, and a new world has dawned.

What difference does the resurrection of Jesus make to you? *GPBS eNews*

GLORY BE!

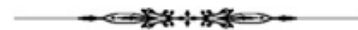
My dad had a knack for gathering in troubled souls, and my mum had a talent for nurturing them back to health. My parents’ charges didn’t always stay well, but at least they were offered a moment of sanity in the chaos of their lives.

At Easter I always think of Butchie. She was a beautiful young woman, the daughter of a work friend of Dad’s, who had a serious drug habit that she just couldn’t seem to kick. She’d worn out her welcome at the home of every friend and relation, so she came knocking on Big John Tuohy’s door. Dad said, sure she could come live with us as long as she stayed sober, kept a job, and didn’t give my mother any worries. My dad let her know he hoped she’d be going to Mass with us. “Next Sunday is Easter,” he told her. “Bonnets are required”.

After most of the appropriately and demurely adorned congregation filed into church Easter morning, in traipsed the Tuohy clan. Hushed gasps and quelled guffaws followed as the congregation beheld Butchie in all her glory: red shoes, red stockings, red shoes, and a red straw bonnet with black netting and loads of feathers. She looked like a crimson bird of paradise.

The homespun life didn’t hold Butchie’s interest for long. But for one brief moment she stood in the light of the Resurrection. I hope that light still shines on her.

GPBS eNews



THIS WEEK’S READINGS (13 - 19 April)

- **Monday, 13:** Monday within Easter Octave (Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15)
- **Tuesday, 14:** Tuesday within Easter Octave (Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18)
- **Wednesday, 15:** Wednesday within Easter Octave Week (Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35)
- **Thursday, 16:** Thursday within Easter Octave (Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48)
- **Friday, 17:** Friday within Easter Octave Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14)
- **Saturday, 18:** Saturday within Easter Octave (Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15)
- **Sunday 19:** Second Sunday of Easter (Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:19-31) 2:42-47; 1 Pet 20:1-9)

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).