



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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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday: 10.00am - 12.00noon
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NOARLUNGA DOWNS CATHOLIC PRESBYTERY

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

- Fr Josy Sebastian (Parish Priest -
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8557 1072)
- Sr Margaret Ann (Parish worker -
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- Geraldine and Steve Robinson
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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)



“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.”

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17:5-8

The Lord says this:

‘A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.

‘A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 1:1-4

Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if

the dead are not raised Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Luke 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and be cured of their diseases.

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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	8557 9000
St John the Apostle	8382 2064
All Saints Primary	8327 0020
Cardijn College	8392 9500
Marcellin Tech College	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), Judy Driscoll (8557 7068).

GALILEE OP SHOP

How Road, Aldinga. Open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8.45am - 3.00pm
Phone: 0474 107 694



Bulletin Board

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES (or COMMUNION SERVICES)

Mon No Masses in Willunga Parish 9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue 9.15am - Aldinga
Wed 9.00am - Willunga
Thur 9am - Willunga
Fri 9am - Willunga
1st Fri Normanville: 5.30pm - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 6.00pm - Mass (followed by shared meal)

SUMMER PICNIC

All parishioners are invited to gather in Kelly Grove (in the grounds of St Joseph's, Willunga) for a Summer Picnic after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday, 24 February, to share some time together before the rush of the new year begins. BYO food and drinks to share. Tables, chairs and hot water will be available.

St Joseph's Pastoral Team



ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

March 6

The times for Ash Wednesday Masses in the Willunga Parish are:
Aldinga: 9.15am
Willunga: 9.00am and 7.00pm
Normanville: 6.00pm

ILC MOBILE UNIT VISIT

The Independent Living Centre's Mobile Unit Outreach Caravan will be visiting: Aldinga Library, 11 Central Way, ALDINGA BEACH on Monday 25 February from 10.00am - 3.30pm.

The Independent Living Centre is a government service for people living in South Australia. The service provides free professional advice on techniques and equipment to assist with everyday activities. Visitors attending will have the opportunity to view/trial a wide range of equipment and discuss their equipment needs with an experienced health professional (Occupational Therapist). Informative brochures covering a large variety of topics and disabilities are also available.

The service is available to all members of the public, including people with a disability, injury, or illness, carers, health professionals, organisations/services.

Areas of assistance include: Bathroom and toileting equipment; incontinence; bedding; lifting, transferring, ramps and hoists; building fixtures and design for access; mobility and walking aids; clothing and dressing; recreation; communication aids; scooters ('gophers'); computer and vocational aids; seating; eating and drinking utensils; telephone access; emergency call systems; transport - vehicle modifications; household and kitchen equipment; wheelchairs - manual and electric.

For more information please phone 8266 5260.

PETITION TO THE BISHOPS OF THE PLENARY COUNCIL

Your attention is drawn to a petition initiated by Mgr Rob Egar. He is asking for a process of catechisms in parishes and schools throughout Australia, which stresses the centrality of the Eucharist in the practice of our Faith. The petition is in the porch this weekend.

ALDINGA COMMUNITY POT LUCK SUPPER

is on Saturday March 2 following Mass. For bookings, please contact either: Chris McWilliams (0451 144 776) or Sr Margaret Ann (0488 287 552).

GALILEE CHILDREN AT MASS

Galilee children will be attending Tuesday 9.15am Mass on 26 Feb (Year 6/7), 12 March (Year 1/2) and 26 March (Year 3/4). Students will also attend the Ash Wednesday Mass at 9.15am on 6 March. *Kerri Gould*

DOES GOD PLAY FAVOURITES?

One of the biggest challenges I face in working with high school students is to never play favourites. It's tough. I'm human. So naturally I like some students more than others. But I work hard to avoid giving certain students special rights or doing special favours for particular students.

God sees things differently. And Luke's Gospel this week tells us who God's favourites are: the people who



are poor, who mourn, who face persecution for doing the right thing. Sure, God loves everyone equally, but the Scriptures show time and time again that God's actions favour the powerless and people who suffer. We know that because God continually sends people – like Moses and Jesus – to help them.

Blessed in this Gospel means "favoured". Jesus tells his disciples that God is working to construct a world that favours the powerless. God's Reign will change things so that the people on the bottom will have what they need. That's bad news, he says, to people who abuse power, don't share wealth, or cause others pain.

Jesus favoured people without power by hanging out with them, eating with them, and challenging customs that caused them to suffer. We need to take our cue from him by giving people who suffer the highest priority in our lives. We show God's favour to those who are powerless by serving them, learning from them, and working for a just society. We show God's favour to people who mourn by comforting them. By doing these things, we also show people who

abuse power, horde power, or hurt others that it's time to change.

BLESSED ARE YOU, WOE TO YOU

This Gospel makes us stop and pause. It is telling us that the times we are hungry and poor and grieving and insulted by other people are the times when we are most blessed. Yet if we are rich and well-fed and joy-filled and praised by other people, we ought to be worried and filled with woe. What kind of message is this? It is mostly a reality check. Jesus is trying to shake us up to be sure we aren't living in a fantasy land. If we are too smug and comfortable with our luxurious situation in life, we ought to beware. Perhaps we aren't paying attention to what is really important in life, and we're drifting away from God. But if we are struggling and thirsty for truth and working for justice that doesn't seem to come, then we can take heart, for these things are bringing us closer to God.

It seems as if we don't usually stay still, as far as our relationship with God is concerned. We are either coming closer or drifting far away. There is no such thing as neutral.

GPBS eNews

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anne Murphy, Val Gater, Bernie Wilkie, Celine Parkinson, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland

Anniversary: William Benjamin Gray, Terry and Elizabeth Anne Fitzpatrick.

WHAT'S ON

- Feb 20 Parish Finance Council meets
- Feb 21 St Peter's Choir practice
- Mar 3 Unborn Child Appeal
- Mar 6 Ash Wednesday
- Mar 6 - Apr 21 Project Compassion
- Mar 10 First Sunday of Lent
- Mar 11 Adelaide Cup public holiday
- Mar 17 Second Sunday of Lent
- Mar 17 St Patrick's Day
- Mar 21 St Peter's Choir practice
- Mar 24 Third Sunday of Lent
- Mar 31 Fourth Sunday of Lent
- Apr 7 Fifth Sunday of Lent
- Apr 11 St Peter's Choir practice
- Apr 12 School Term 1 finishes
- Apr 18 Holy Thursday
- Apr 19 Holy Places Appeal
- Apr 19 Good Friday (public holiday)
- Apr 20 Saturday of Easter
- Apr 21 Easter Sunday
- Apr 22 Easter Monday (public holiday)
- Apr 25 ANZAC Day (public holiday)
- Apr 26 First day School term 2
- 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 the Faith Appeal
- Jun 10 Queen's birthday public holiday
- Jun 27 St Peter's Choir practice
- Jun 30 Holy Father' Appeal
- Jul 5 Last day School term 2
- Jul 7 NATSICC Appeal
- Jul 14 Apostleship of the Sea Appeal
- Jul 22 First day School term 3
- Jul 25 St Peter's Choir practice
- Aug 8 Solemnity, St Mary of the Cross
- Aug 11 Appeal for Vocations
- Aug 15 Assumption -Blessed Virgin 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

ROSTERS

ALDINGA	Saturday, 16 February	Saturday, 23 February
Welcome	Lorraine Ellis	Ros Schoumack
Commentator	Tricia Dundon	Robert Daly
Readers	Christina Tiedge	Ken Creevey
	Peter Laffan	David Manders
Eucharistic Ministers	Christine Jones	Francoise Creevey
	Denis Jones	Kerri Gould
NORMANVILLE	Sunday, 17 February	Sunday, 24 February
Welcome	Ena Harvey	Pat and Rachel
Commentator/Prayers	Joan Fogarty	Ann Henriksen
Reader	Park Fogarty	Antoinette Fleming
Eucharistic Minister	Trish Bohnsack	Jim Fitzpatrick
Church Cleaning	P Litvensky, E Harvey	Jim & Patsy Fitzpatrick
WILLUNGA	Sunday, 17 February	Sunday, 24 February
Welcome	Barbara Smith	Laurie Cester
Commentary	Michael Hynes	John Hounslow
First Reader	Sue Thompson	Izaak Bruschi
Second Reader	Megan Chapman	Marie Cester
Eucharistic Ministers	Margaret Guley	Steve Maglieri
	Mary Fitzpatrick	Andrew Beach
Church Cleaning	May Dunn, Tony Harding	May Dunn, Tony Harding
Counting	Rose Sulda	Andrew Beach
Church Linen	Anna Rogers	Margaret Guley

COLLECTIONS

09/10 February, 2019

First collection	\$661.00
Envelopes	\$392.00
Unpledged	\$307.00

Thank you for your support -
it is much appreciated.

**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 1.30pm

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

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Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

‘How happy are you who are poor: yours is the Kingdom of God. Happy are you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.’



**BACKGROUND ON THE
GOSPEL READING**

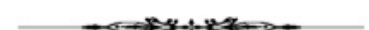
Today's gospel reading, is commonly known as the ‘Beatitudes’, from the Latin meaning ‘blessing’. Both Matthew and Luke report this famous sermon of Jesus, but with slight differences. The main difference is that Luke balances the ‘blessings’ with a series of ‘woes’ aimed at would-be disciples who are still bound up with the signs of success in this world.

The form of the Beatitudes found in Luke's Gospel is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, such as in the Psalms and in Wisdom literature. They are a way to teach about who will find favour with God. The word blessed in this context might be translated as “happy,” “fortunate,” or “favoured.”

As we listen to this Gospel, the Beatitudes jar our sensibilities.

Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or persecuted are called blessed. This is, indeed, a Gospel of reversals. Those often thought to have been forgotten by God are called blessed. In the list of “woes,” those whom we might ordinarily describe as blessed by God are warned about their peril. Riches, possessions, laughter, reputation . . . these are not things that we can depend upon as sources of eternal happiness. They not only fail to deliver on their promise; our misplaced trust in them will lead to our demise. The ultimate peril is in misidentifying the source of our eternal happiness.

The Beatitudes are often described as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. We are challenged to examine our present situation in the context of our ultimate horizon, the Kingdom of God.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(18 - 24 February)

- **Monday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 (Gen 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13)
- **Tuesday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 (Gen 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21)
- **Wednesday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 (Gen 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26)
- **Thursday, 21:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 (Gen 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33)
- **Friday, 22:** Chair of St Peter (1 Pet 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19)
- **Saturday, 23:** St Polycarp (Heb 11:1-7; Mk 9:2-13)
- **Sunday, 24:** 7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38)

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).