



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

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

Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, 'Our Redeemer' is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance.

Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down! – at your Presence the mountains would melt.

No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples, 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will

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Bulletin Board

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon No Masses - Willunga Parish
9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue 9.15am - Aldinga
Wed 9.00am - Willunga
12.00noon - Normanville
Thur 9.00am - Willunga
Fri 9.00am - Willunga

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

Please Note

We will be operating with very restricted numbers again this weekend (28/29 November) to satisfy the current 1:4sqm restriction. There will be significantly more space at Galilee than at either St Joseph's or St Peter's, because the wall between Galilee Church and the Hall will be opened to accommodate extras. St Joseph's can only have 37 attendees and people will be turned away once that number is inside.

Bookings are required for St Peter's - please phone Dolek Thiele after 2.00pm (0419 844 693).

CHRISTMAS MASSES

• Christmas Eve (Thur, Dec 24) •

4.00pm St Peter's, Normanville
6.30pm Mary of Galilee, Aldinga
7.00pm St Joseph's, Willunga
(Family Mass)
12 midnight St Joseph's, Willunga

• Christmas Day (Fri, Dec 25) •

9.00am St Peter's, Normanville
**10.30am St Peter's, Normanville
9.00am St Joseph's, Willunga
**10.30am St Joseph's, Willunga

**Extra Masses have been provided for both St Peter's and St Joseph's in the event we still have restrictions on numbers - more details when they become available.

THANK YOU FOR CHRISTMAS APPEAL DONATIONS

Thank you to all parishioners for your tremendous support to the 2020 St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. \$2,893.65 has been donated. This will greatly assist our conference in providing 110 Christmas Hampers for the families struggling to put food on their tables this Christmas.

For those who wish to donate to the Appeal and have not done so, there are Christmas Appeal envelopes in the Church Foyers that can be used. Place the envelope in any of the Mass

Collections bowls or special collection bowl. They will be passed onto the Willunga Conference.

CENTACARE NEW DIRECTOR

"I am pleased to announce the appointment of Ms Sarah McRae to the position of Director, Centacare Catholic Family Services. Sarah will commence in February 2021, following the retirement of Mr Dale West in January 2021 after 32 years of dedicated service to Centacare and the Archdiocese of Adelaide.

Sarah will bring a wealth of experience to the role of Director, coming to Centacare from the Women's and Children's Health Network, SA where she holds the position of Chief Operating Officer. Sarah's leadership experience, values and client focussed approach aligns well with the vision and mission of Centacare.

We congratulate Sarah on this very important appointment and look forward to welcoming her to the Archdiocese in the New Year."

Patrick O'Regan
(Archbishop of Adelaide)

ST JOSEPH'S, WILLUNGA MINISTRY ROSTERS

29 November - 31 March

The Roster for Commentary, Reading, Church cleaning and Church linen is available in the Church foyer today. With COVID regulations in mind, the rostered reader will read the First and Second readings, the Responsorial Psalm and the Alleluia. Special Ministers are still not needed at this time. I would love to hear from any additional volunteers - especially for cleaning of the Church or Church linen.

Ministers for Christmas and New Year will be contacted nearer the time.

Michael Hynes



"I can feed 5,000 so long as they're all from the same household."

SALE OF CHRISTMAS CARD PACKS

St Vincent de Paul produced Christmas Card packs will be on sale at the three Mass Centres from this weekend until sold out. They are excellent value at \$5.00 for a pack of ten cards.

All proceeds from the sales go to St Vincent de Paul Willunga Conference.

Mario Bacchin

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREES

From this weekend there will be Christmas Giving Trees at Mary of Galilee and St Joseph's Churches. On the trees can be found tags with suggested items of food or toys that can be donated to the Willunga Conference, to add to the Christmas Hampers. If you would like to make a donation of food or toys please take tags and return the items to either Galilee or St Joseph's Churches by Sunday 13 December.

We are preparing the Christmas Hampers on the following weekend (19, 20 December) for distribution on Monday 21 December. Donated items are needed by Sunday 13 December please.

Mario Bacchin

ATTENTION: ONKAPARINGA RATEPAYERS

The City of Onkaparinga invites you have your say on the draft Aldinga Sports Park Master Plan.

The Aldinga Sports Park, located adjacent the Aldinga township, is a Regional Active Park currently home to nine clubs including bowling, croquet, netball, football, cricket, soccer, hockey and equestrian. An Aldinga Sports Park draft Master Plan has been prepared to guide the future development of sport and recreation facilities in response to current and projected growth in population and sport participation levels in the Aldinga region. The draft Master Plan sets a long-term vision for the Park with staged development to occur over the next 15+ years.

We are now seeking feedback on the draft Master Plan until Friday 11 Dec.

For more information, including the draft Master Plan Report, and to provide feedback, please visit the [Draft Aldinga Sports Park Master Plan Your Say Page](#).

**“THE SOUTHERN CROSS”
CHRISTMAS EDITION**

Once again the December issue of “The Southern Cross” will be inserted in “The Advertiser” with additional copies provided to parishes for distribution over the Christmas period (December 12 Advertiser).

THEOLOGY STUDY GRANT

The Good Samaritan Sisters are offering some finance (up to \$8000) for women over 30 interested in study in the area of theology and spirituality and are in some form of leadership role.

Criteria

- Catholic women - 30 yrs and over
- Interest in both the study and mentoring components of the program;
- Identification of current study being undertaken or a proposed course at a recognised theological institution; and
- Evidence of leadership exercised in any context. Leadership experience in a not-for-profit organisation or a faith-based institution will be highly regarded.

Special consideration will be given to women who are experiencing financial hardship or who live in isolated communities. Link to website and application package: <https://www.goodsams.org.au/2020/10/20/study-and-mentoring-leadership-program-focuses-on-womens-gifts/>

NEW BOUNDARIES

One of modern Australian life’s rites of passage is the moment when a teenager is issued a driver’s licence. For the teen it becomes the ultimate symbol of freedom, of having grown up, or independence from the family. On the other hand, for the parents of that teen, it usually is a very

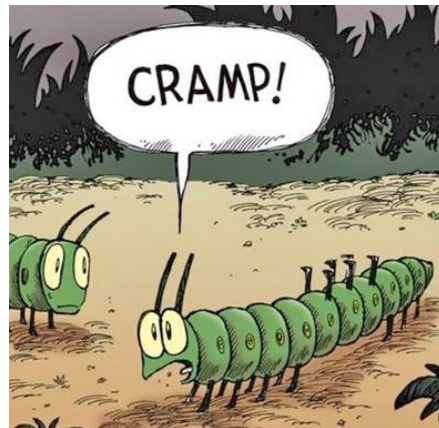
traumatic moment, a time when the important lessons of responsibility and respecting authority need to be reinforced.

The teen daydreams about taking the car out with friends on Saturday night, while the parents worry about insurance, petrol, their own plans for Saturday night, and, most important, wondering if their child could possibly be ready to get behind the wheel and drive off alone.

One end is tugging to get away: “Don’t you trust me?” The other end hopes to hold onto control: “You’ll have to earn the privilege of driving”. The wise teen will back off. The wise parents will give in a little. New boundaries need to be set.

Isaiah speaks to God honestly and lovingly. But clearly there is an impatient tone waiting for a reply: “Lord, I am trying my best”. It is natural to want a relationship where God trusts us. But that needs to be earned as the servants earn the trust of their master in the gospel parable.

When all is said and done, Paul reminds us that our relationship with Christ will continue to be strong, although like a healthy family, we will test new boundaries. All this takes preparation and work and that is what Advent is all about. *GPBS eNews*



**PLEASE KEEP THESE
PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Sick: Val and George Gater, Abbey McIver, Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Jeff Gray, Judy Hore, Kate Hall, Tilly Kirtland, Arthur Jones, Leonie Zeven, Violet Gilli, Colin and Roma Whitford, Helen Jarvis, Walter Litvinsky, Deanne Bostock

DATES

- Nov 29 First Sunday of Advent
- Dec 6 Second Sunday of Advent
- Dec 8 Sending Forth Mass - Galilee (if permitted with restrictions)
- Dec 12 School holidays begin
- Dec 13 Third Sunday of Advent
- Dec 18 Yankalilla Carols in your car
- Dec 20 Fourth Sunday of Advent
- Dec 25 Christmas Day

BE WATCHFUL & STAY AWAKE

Resolve to live this Advent season with watchfulness and attention. Miss no opportunity to be kind, generous, forgiving. Resist spiritual laziness with its shrug toward “later”. Be a saint in the making right now.

GPBS eNews

- *Due to my isolation, I finished three books yesterday ... and believe me, that’s a lot of colouring in!*
- *I just sold my homing pigeon on eBay ... for the 22nd time!*
- *I grew up with Bob Hope, Steve Jobs and Johnny Cash ... now there’s no jobs, no cash and no hope. Please don’t let anything happen to Kevin Bacon.*
- *At the store there was a big X by the register for me to stand on. I’ve seen too many Road Runner cartoons to fall for that one.*
- *You never realise how anti-social you are until there’s a pandemic and your life doesn’t really change that much.*



The Trikini 2020

ROSTERS

ALDINGA	Saturday 28 November	Saturday 5 December
Commentator	Chris McWilliams	David Manders
Readers	Briana McIver	Christina Tiedge
	Brian Younie	Rod Boucher
NORMANVILLE	Sunday, 29 November	Sunday, 6 December
	To be advised	To be advised
WILLUNGA	Sunday, 29 November	Sunday, 6 December
Commentator	Wayne Best	Marie Andrews
Reader	Marie Cester	Sue Thompson
Church Cleaning	Christina Rasera	Michael Hynes
Church Linen	Marie Cester	Anna Rogers

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(Current as at 24 November)

- Attendance for Mass is capped at 100 people, whilst maintaining 1:4 sqm.
- Funerals are capped at 50 people, whilst maintaining 1:4 sqm.
- Weddings are capped at 150 people, whilst maintaining 1:4 sqm.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided.
- Activities planned with an approved COVID Management Plan scheduled before 1 December cannot go ahead.
- 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.
- 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 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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come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!

DID YOU KNOW?

- The season of Advent is the beginning of the Church's liturgical year. The Church's liturgical year follows a three-year cycle and we move today into the second of those, Year B. The gospel readings for this year come predominantly from the Gospel of Mark.
- The Advent period is concerned with 'waiting' for the coming of the Christ child.
- A recurring theme in the gospels read during Advent is looking towards the end times, when Christ will come again.
- The Advent wreath is one way of preparing for the coming of the Christ child. The circle of greenery is a symbol of God's love without beginning or end, while the candles represent the four weeks of preparation time. One candle is lit each Sunday during Advent, and the final, central candle is lit on Christmas Day.

SHARING THE TRADITION

The celebration of a feast to honour the birth of Jesus did not emerge in the West until the fourth century. Scholars generally note that by 336 AD such a feast was in place and celebrated in Rome on 25 December. This comparatively late development of a feast to celebrate the birth of Christ may seem surprising to contemporary Christians for whom Christmas is so central. However, we must remember that the early Christians expected the glorious return of Christ in their own lifetimes. It was only with time and an obvious delay to the Second Coming that such

a feast could emerge. Furthermore, time provided the opportunity for a greater and more mature theological reflection on the mysteries of the Incarnation and the Second Coming. Advent, as a period of preparation for the feast of Christmas, developed later still. There is no evidence of such a preparatory time in Rome until well into the sixth century. It was Pope Gregory the Great (590–604 AD) who established a four-week liturgical preparation for Christmas but the eschatological (end times) themes of the Second Coming were not established until the Middle Ages.

'Advent has a two-fold character—as a season of preparation for Christmas when Christ's coming in history is remembered; and as a season when that first coming directs the mind and heart to await Christ's second coming at the end of time' (General Norms of the Liturgical Year).

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(30 November - 6 December)

- **Monday, 30:** St Andrew (Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22)
- **Tuesday, 01:** Tuesday of 1st week Advent (Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24)
- **Wednesday, 02:** Wednesday of 1st week Advent (Is 25:6-10; Mt 15:29-37)
- **Thursday, 03:** St Francis Xavier (Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27)
- **Friday, 04:** Friday of 1st week Advent (Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31)
- **Saturday, 05:** Saturday of 1st week Advent (Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35 - 10:1, 6-8)
- **Sunday 06:** Second Sunday of Advent (Is 40:1-5m 9-11; 2 Pet 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8)



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).