



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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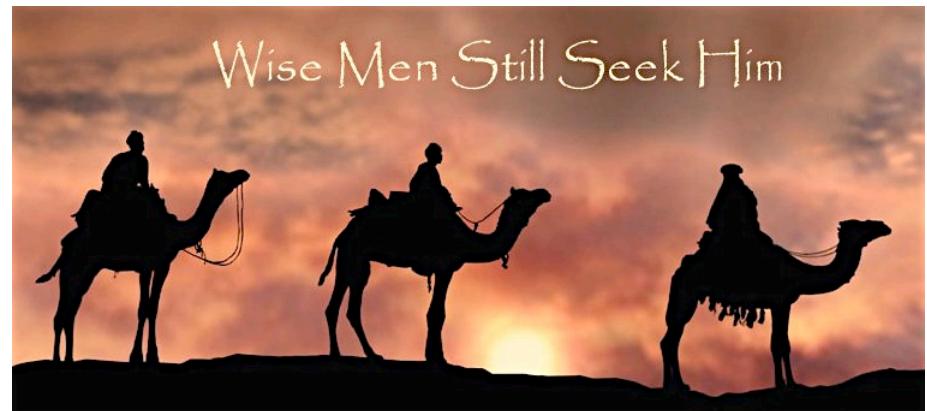
- Fr Josy Sebastian (Parish Priest - 8382 1717; emergency 0452 524 169)
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MASS CENTRES

- 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 60:1-6

Arise, shine out, Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples.

Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears.
The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness.
Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and daughters being tenderly carried.

At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbling and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you; the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:2-3. 5-6

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy

apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and that the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

*We have seen his star in the East;
and have come to adore the Lord.
Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. ‘Where is the infant king of the Jews?’ they asked.

‘We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.’ When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ‘At Bethlehem in Judaea,’ they told him, ‘for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.

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PARISH MASSES

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon	No Masses - Willunga Parish 9.00am - Noarlunga
Tue	9.15am - Aldinga
Wed	9.00am - Willunga 12noon - Normanville (<i>not the week with a 1st Friday</i>)
Thur	9.00am - Willunga
Fri	9.00am - Willunga
1 st Fri	9.00am - Willunga 11.30am - Normanville

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

ENTRANCE ANTIphon

After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

COVID-19

Please read the most up-to-date information on page 4 of this bulletin.

CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS

"I wish to communicate the following appointments I have made, all effective on the Feast of St Agnes, Friday 21st January, 2022

1. Vicar General

After 12 years of sterling service as either Vicar General or Apostolic Administrator's Delegate, Fr Philip Marshall has asked to be relieved of that role. I understand his request and am happy to accede to it. I take this opportunity to thank Philip for the manner in which he has, unstintingly, fulfilled these roles, often under difficult circumstances, yet always with generosity, compassion and wisdom. Thank you immensely Philip. A suitable opportunity will be found to thank him more formally at a later date.

I appoint Fr Dean Marin, hitherto Parish Priest of Mount Gambier and Millicent Parishes, as my new Vicar General.

In addition to this role I have asked Fr Dean to coordinate the Vocations Team

2. Murray Bridge, Murray

Mallee & Mallee Border: As Administrator of these three Parishes I appoint Fr Philip Marshall. For the time being Fr

Philip will retain his present residence and commute between his home and the Parish as required.

3. **Payneham:** Fr Allan Winter PP has asked to be relieved of the role of Parish Priest of Payneham. I accept his request to move to lesser duties.

As the new Parish Priest Payneham I appoint Fr Michael Romeo, hitherto Parish Priest of Penola to this role.

In addition to this role as Parish Priest of Payneham I have asked Fr Michael to take on a mission of studies to begin preparations to study for a licentiate in Canon Law.

4. **Mount Gambier & Millicent:** As the new Parish priest of Mount Gambier & Millicent, I hereby appoint Fr Peter Zwanns, hitherto Parish Priest of Brooklyn Park-Richmond.

5. **Brooklyn Park-Richmond:** As Parish Priest of the Parish of Brooklyn Park- Richmond, I appoint Fr Long Hai, hitherto Assistant Priest in Croydon Parish.

6. **Penola:** As Parish Priest of the Parish of Penola, I appoint Fr Arul Dev, hitherto Assistant Priest at Noarlunga/Seaford and Willunga.

7. **Noarlunga-Seaford & Willunga:** I appoint as Assistant Priest of Noarlunga/Seaford and Willunga, Fr Dominick Okwadha, hitherto Assistant priest at Brighton and Hallett Cove

8. **Brighton and Hallett Cove:** I appoint as Assistant priest of Brighton and Hallett Cove Fr Prathap Katta hitherto Assistant Priest at Noarlunga Seaford and Willunga.

9. **Kangaroo Island:** I have transferred Pastoral Care of the Parish of Kangaroo Island from Noarlunga-Seaford Parish to henceforth be administered by the Cathedral Parish, Adelaide.

10. **Cathedral Parish of St Francis Xavier:** I appoint Deacon Paul Crowe to the staff of the Cathedral Parish.

+Patrick O'Regan
Archbishop of Adelaide

THANK YOU FROM

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

WILLUNGA CONFERENCE FOR 2021 CHRISTMAS APPEAL

We would like to extend a huge thank you to the following: The Awesome Foundation: Fleurieu Chapter, Aldinga Central Shopping Centre, Aldinga News Agency, Drakes Supermarket - Aldinga, Cardijn College Galilee, Leon Bignell MP and staff member Jazz, Kalyra McLaren Vale Retirement Village, members of the public, Seaford Gourmet Meats butcher shop, Seaford Rotary Club, Serafino Winery, Scarpantoni Winery, The Meeting Place - McLaren Vale and the many individual donors, volunteers and conference members, Willunga parishioners, St Vincent de Paul Head Office Staff and members of other St Vincent de Paul Conferences, for the tremendous support given to the Willunga Conference for the 2021 Christmas Appeal.

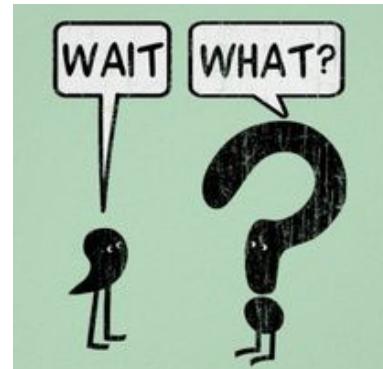
Without their help and support in providing cash, food, gift cards and toy donations we would not have been able to prepare and distribute 103 hampers. 196 adults and 174 children and teenagers were helped in our parish area.

We received \$3,290 in cash or credit card donations plus an estimated value of \$14,000 worth of donated food, toys and gift cards for our Christmas Hampers.

The estimated value of a hamper for a household is between \$200 and \$350.00 depending on the size of a household and the number of children or teenagers receiving toys or gift cards. A hamper consists of a \$80 Coles gift card, a \$20 butcher's voucher, a \$25 Vinnies Op Shop gift card, donated food, toiletries and toys.

Thank you to everyone for making this Christmas a brighter occasion for so many struggling families in our region.

Mario Bacchin





Left: Fr Prathap blessing the hampers



Right: donated food



Left: completed hampers



COVID RESTRICTIONS
With the rapidly increasing number of Omicron infections, we have returned to Level 1 Restrictions. This means the density of attendees is back to 1 person per 4 square metres. Masks are definitely mandatory and there is to be no singing.

We encourage those parishioners who are particularly vulnerable (people with comorbidities or advancing age - especially those who haven't been able to get their booster yet), to seriously reconsider coming to Mass. There are lots of very good online Masses to choose from. Just Google "Mass at home" to get a comprehensive list.

ROSTERS

ALDINGA
Commentator
Readers

Saturday 01 January
Chris McWilliams
Robert Daly
Angela Trembath

Saturday 08 January
Michelle Cormack
David Manders
Heidi Davidson

NORMANVILLE
Welcomer
Commentator
Reader
Altar/Cleaning

Sunday, 02 January
Peter Lloyd
Ena Harvey
Mary Kennedy
Nigel Pile, Leo Montgomery

Sunday, 09 January
Rita Steller
Thia Van Kuyk
Pam Kelly
Patsy & Jim Fitzpatrick

WILLUNGA
Commentator
Reader
Flowers
Church Linen

Sunday, 02 January
Gael Maloney
Anna Rogers
Michael Hynes
Anna Rogers

Sunday, 09 January
Marie Andrews
Chris Dzamko
May Dunn
Margaret Guley

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Veronica Shortland, Muriel Smith, Colin and Roma Whitford, Fr Peter Milburn, Janet Burbidge, Arthur and Carol Jones, Bill and Janet McIver, Judy Hore, Rainer Maack

DATES

3 Jan	New Year's Day holiday
26 Jan	Australia Day
31 Jan	School resumes for 2022
14 Mar	Adelaide Cup Day
14 Apr	Last day School Term 1
15 Apr	Good Friday
16 Apr	Holy Saturday
17 Apr	Easter Day
18 Apr	Easter Monday
25 Apr	ANZAC Day
13 Jun	Queen's birthday holiday
3 Oct	Labour Day holiday

COLLECTIONS

(For the last fortnight)

First collection	\$940.00
Second collection	\$882.00
Envelopes	\$542.00
Direct debits	\$450.00
Caritas	\$368.00
Aboriginal Ministry	\$351.00

Thank you for your support - it is much appreciated.

DESMOND TUTU

South African Anglican Bishop and theologian died on 26 December. During his life he was widely praised for his anti-apartheid activism, receiving a range of awards, including the Nobel Peace Prize.

A few of his best-known quotes:

- *When the missionaries came to Africa they had the Bible and we had the land. They said "Let us pray". We closed our eyes. When we opened them, we had the Bible and they had the land.*
- *We may be surprised at the people we find in heaven. God has a soft spot for sinners. His standards are quite low.*
- *Twenty-five years ago people could be excused for not knowing much, or doing much, about climate change. Today we have no excuse.*

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 27 December, 2021)

- Places of Worship are restricted to 1 person per 4 square metres - with social distancing of 2 metres.
Gathering at home cap: 10 (gatherings at residential premises, including residents of residential premises)
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (*An official doctor's certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.*)
- At this time, we haven't received any information re singing during Church services, but certainly singing has been restricted in other venues.
- 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.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- 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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Let's continue to be a

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Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

JOURNEY INTO LIGHT

The Magi came from the land where the sun rises; they had to turn their back on the light in order to come to the true light who is Christ. They are amongst the first disciples in the New Testament.

Leaving Jerusalem the Magi found and followed their star and it led them to where the child was. Their reaction was different from Herod's: he was troubled, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. They then entered the house. This is the house of God, not the temple in Jerusalem, but this house sheltering the cradle of the king who will shepherd his people, there they offered their gifts.

There are three invitations to worship the infant king. The shepherds and the wise men make the journey; they make the journey from the periphery to the centre. There is a third invitation to Herod and all Jerusalem, but Herod and all Jerusalem do not make the journey. In the Incarnation the world is turned inside out the periphery becomes the centre.'

Fr Alan White OP

THERE ARE NO FOREIGNERS

The meaning is very clear from the general context of Matthew's Gospel. God, in the person of Jesus, is reaching out to the whole world. More than that, the religious leaders of his own people, although clearly aware of where the Messiah would be born, made no effort whatever to investigate. Yet Bethlehem was "just down the road", so to speak, from Jerusalem.

These pagan foreigners, on the other hand, went to great lengths to find the "King of the Jews" and "do him homage".

All in all, today's feast is telling us that for God there are no foreigners, no outsiders. From his point of view, all are equally his beloved children. We all, whatever external physical or cultural differences there may be between us, belong to one single family which has one Father, "our" Father. It means that every one of us is a brother and sister to everyone else.'

Fr Frank Doyle SJ

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(03 - 09 January)

- **Monday, 03:** Weekday of Christmas Time (1 Jn 3:22 - 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25)
- **Tuesday, 04:** Weekday of Christmas Time (1Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44)
- **Wednesday, 05:** Weekday of Christmas Time (1Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52)
- **Thursday, 06:** Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 4:19-5:4; Lk 4:14-22)
- **Friday, 07:** Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 5:5-12; Lk 5:12-16)
- **Saturday, 08:** Weekday, Christmas Time (1Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30)
- **Sunday, 09:** The Baptism of the Lord (Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22)

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).