



Welcome to

# Willunga Catholic Parish

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

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B**

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## **PARISH OFFICE**

If you need to contact the Office, please ring 0447 421 948 or 0488 287 552 if there is no-one in the Office to take your call.

## **PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

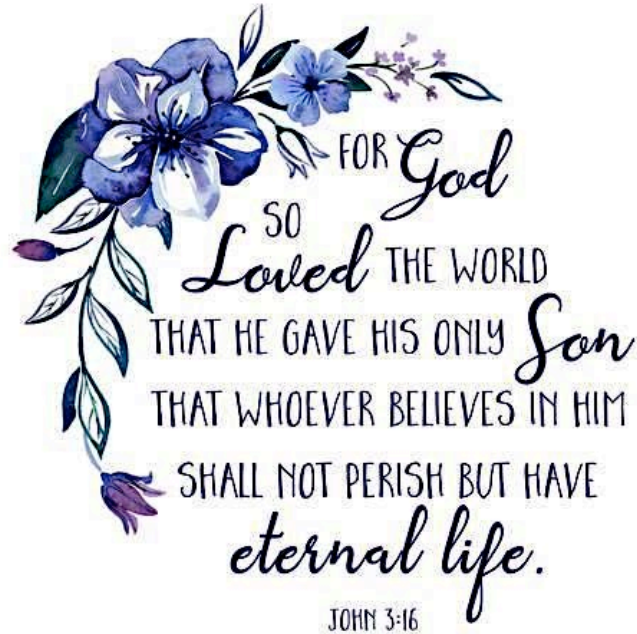
- Fr Josy Sebastian (Parish Priest - 8382 1717; emergency 0452 524 169; [jponnambal@gmail.com](mailto:jponnambal@gmail.com))
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## **MASS CENTRES**

- 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)



## **FIRST READING**

**2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23**

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.' And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord

that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "the Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."'

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 136**

*Let my tongue be silenced,  
if I ever forget you!*

## **SECOND READING**

**Ephesians 2:4-10**

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that

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# Bulletin Board

## WEEKDAY MASSES

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

## WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

## EASTER MASS TIMES



- **Holy Thursday (28 March)** •  
St Peter's, Normanville 5.00pm  
Mary of Galilee, Aldinga 5.30pm  
St Joseph's, Willunga 7.30pm
- **Good Friday (29 March)** •  
Mary of Galilee, Aldinga 3.00pm  
St Joseph's, Willunga 3.00pm  
St Peter's, Normanville 5.15pm
- **Saturday Vigil (30 March)** •  
Mary of Galilee, Aldinga 5.30pm  
St Joseph's, Willunga 7.30pm
- **Easter Sunday (31 March)** •  
St Joseph's, Willunga 8.30am  
St Peter's, Normanville 9.30am  
(Normanville Mass will be held at  
Club Fleurieu, 140-142 Main South  
Road, Yankalilla)

## PRIEST ROSTER WEEKENDS

(NB: This roster may be changed if something unforeseen crops up)

9 Mar 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy  
10 Mar 8.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick  
10.30am - Willunga, Fr Tom  
16 Mar 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Dominick  
17 Mar 8.30am - Willunga, Fr Josy  
10.30am - N/ville, Fr Josy  
23 Mar 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Tom  
24 Mar 8.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick  
10.30am - Willunga, Fr Dominick

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

## PROJECT COMPASSION



Memory is 26 years old and lives in rural Malawi. As the eldest child in a low-income farming family, Memory had to take on many household chores and farming activities to support her parents. They struggled to pay for Memory's school fees and school supplies, and Memory often had to walk to school barefooted.

With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi (CADECOM), Memory was able to enrol at a technical college where she learnt technical skills in carpentry. She undertook a three-year carpentry course, with CADECOM supporting part of her tuition and boarding fees.

Memory became the first female carpenter from her village. Today, she works as a carpenter at one of Malawi's largest hydroelectric power stations. With the income from her job, she can provide financial support to her family and inspire other young women in her community so that they may have the opportunity to succeed in a male-dominated industry.

Please donate to Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.

## AFTERNOON DEVONSHIRE TEA

(Scones, jam, cream, tea, coffee and board games provided)

**Sunday, 17 March from 2pm Galilee Community Room**

Gold coin donation please  
Everyone welcome

Bookings are essential - please contact Chris McWilliams (0451 144 776)

## UNLOCK YOUR POTENTIAL AND PURPOSE

Embark on a transformative journey that not only enhances your professional skills, but also changes lives.

We provide purpose driven placements. Our overseas placements are carefully curated to align with your skills and passions while contributing to sustainable development goals in impoverished communities around the world.

Discover more at <https://palms.org.au> or call us on 02 9560 5333

## WILLUNGA PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

At the recent Parish Pastoral Council meeting members discussed the Regional Parish assembly, signage needed for the Galilee church, dates for Saturday Family Mass at Galilee once per term to encourage children's involvement at Mass, support for the religious and outreach in the community.

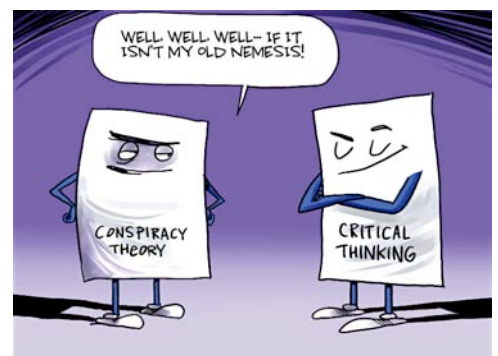
If you have items, you would like discussed by the Parish Pastoral Council, please let your local representative know (names are on page 4 of this bulletin). *Kerri Gould*

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at St Luke's, Noarlunga on Sunday 7 April from 2.00pm. There will be several priests on hand for reconciliation at 2.00pm and Mass at 3.00pm. Everyone most welcome. Contact Dolek Thiele (0419 844 693) for more information. *Dolek Thiele*

## 2024 ADELAIDE DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY June 14 and 15

Parishes, schools and communities are asked to mark their calendars for the 2024 Adelaide Diocesan Assembly which will take place on the evening of Fri June 14 and Sat June 15.





Further information and invitations will be sent out soon.

If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Moffatt: [smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au) or Peter Bierer: [pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

### SEVENHILL LENTEN RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

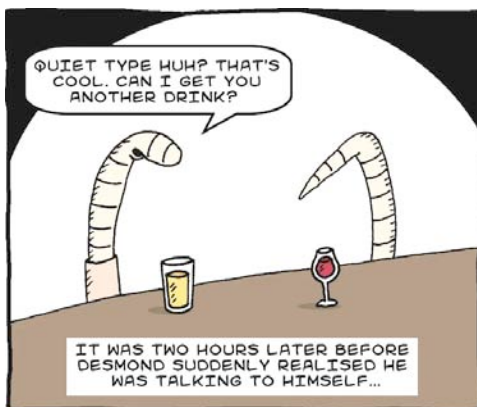
The Sevenhill Retreat is inviting young adults to join this silent, live-in retreat, from Friday March 15 to Sunday March 17.

For more information and to book a place contact Fr Robin Koning SJ at [rkoning@sjasl.org.au](mailto:rkoning@sjasl.org.au)

### CHRISM MASS

We welcome all to celebrate Mass of the Oils on Monday March 25 in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 6.00pm.

Please note NO onsite car parking will be available. If you would like more information regarding this event, please contact the Events Office on 8210 8220.



A time of prayer, reflection and discussion for young men discerning a call to the priesthood.

Saturday March 16 at 10.00am in the Sacristy of the Cathedral of St Francis Xavier, Wakefield Street.

For further enquiries contact Fr Dean Marin, Director of Vocations on 8210 8122 or at [vocations@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:vocations@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

*"Leaving the boat and their father, they followed him" Matthew 4.22*

### ROSTERS

#### ALDINGA

Welcomer  
Commentator  
Readers  
  
Eucharistic Minister

**Saturday 09 March**  
A Woodhouse, N Ellis  
Christina Tiedje  
David Manders  
Michelle Cormack  
Maria Bacchin

#### Saturday 16 March

A Woodhouse, N Ellis  
Michelle Cormack  
Rod Boucher  
Vivi Boucher  
Judy Driscoll

#### NORMANVILLE

Welcomer  
Commentator  
Reader  
Altar/Cleaning

**Sunday, 10 March**  
Peter Lloyd  
Antoinette Fleming  
Ann Henriksen  
Trish Bohnsack, Rita Steller

#### Sunday, 17 March

Michael Steller  
Trish Bohnsack  
Rosemary Ayles  
Trish Bohnsack, Rita Steller

#### WILLUNGA

Commentator  
Reader  
Eucharistic Minister  
Flowers  
Church Linen

**Sunday, 10 March**  
John Tregeagle  
Norman Lee  
Marie Cester  
No flowers - Lent  
Margaret Guley

#### Sunday, 17 March

Gael Maloney  
Ian La Ronde  
Michael Hynes  
No flowers - Lent  
Marie Cester

### ACRATH – INDULGE RESPONSIBLY

ACRATH (Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking Humans) is endorsed by Catholic Religious Australia. It is committed to working towards the elimination of human trafficking in Australia, Asia, the Pacific and internationally.

This year ACRATH has an awareness campaign focusing on chocolate Easter Eggs titled 'Indulge responsibly'. This campaign asks that we support brands who are committed to eliminating slavery from their supply chain. Look for the logos below when purchasing your chocolate eggs and treat yourself and your loved ones with responsibly sourced chocolate eggs this Easter.



### DISCERNMENT GROUP

*"Follow me"*

### PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Janet Burbidge, Rainer Maack, Adrian Andrews, Vi Corkin, Deirdre Boyd, Jim Smith, Janette McIver, Michael Casey, Paul Hancock, Margaret Oomens, Paul Cormack, Margaret Barry

**Recently deceased:** Ann Stone, Galina Vershynina

*Please pray for all the faithful departed and may all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ.*

### DATES

- 15 Mar Coffee morning Louie's 10am
- 9 Mar Regional Assembly
- 10 Mar 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent
- 17 Mar 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent
- 18 Mar St Patrick's Day
- 29 Mar Coffee morning Louie's 10am
- 24 Mar Palm Sunday of the Passion
- 28 Mar Thursday of Lord's supper
- 29 Mar Friday of Passion of the Lord
- 30 Mar Holy Saturday
- 31 Mar Sunday of the Resurrection
- 12 Apr Coffee morning Louie's 10am
- 12 Apr Last day School term 1
- 26 Apr Coffee morning Louie's 10am
- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 29 Apr First day School term 2
- 10 May Coffee morning Louie's 10am
- 19 May Marian Procession
- 24 May Coffee morning Louie's 10am

### MARIAN PROCESSION

**Sunday, 19 May at 2.00pm**

Each year the Adelaide Archdiocese hosts the annual Marian Procession in honour of Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church.

This year, we celebrate its 75th Anniversary. More details nearer the time.

- *Every time I leave the house, a bird with long legs follows me everywhere. I think I'm being storked.*
- *My Dad used to say to me, "When one door closes, another door opens". He was a great philosopher, but a terrible cabinet maker.*
- *A friend of mine told me that I make people uncomfortable by violating their personal space. It was a hurtful thing to say and completely ruined our bath.*

## WILLUNGA PARISH

(Aldinga, Normanville, Willunga)  
NGARRINDJERI, RAMINDJERI,  
PERAMANGK and KAURNA land

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Kerri Gould, Lorraine Ellis, Kim Calderbank (Aldinga); Rick Zagajewski, Michael Hynes (Willunga); Nigel Pyne and Christopher Symes (Normanville)

### WILLUNGA PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Dolek Thiele (Chairperson)  
Chris McWilliams (Secretary)  
Thia van Kuyk (Finance Officer)  
Martin Morgan (Cemetery)  
John McPhail (Treasurer)

### CHILD PROTECTION

We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, well-being and protection of children and young people.

We believe that all God's children and young people have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected, and valued. A safe environment for all.

(Willunga contact - Sr Margaret Ann)  
Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

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### DID YOU KNOW?

- We meet Nicodemus again in John's Gospel when he brings myrrh and aloes to anoint the body of Jesus after the crucifixion. He brings a lavish amount 'weighing about a hundred pounds'! Nicodemus' journey to faith is complete and he openly acknowledges Jesus as Lord.
- Jesus' words about being 'lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert' refer to an incident when, the people of Israel were attacked by venomous serpents. God instructed Moses to raise a bronze image of a serpent. All who looked on it were cured. Jesus being 'lifted up' on the cross was to become the salvation of all.

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you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit.

We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he has meant us to live it.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Jn 3:16*

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

*God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.*

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

### GOSPEL

*John 3:14-21*

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

### COMING TO THE LIGHT

(*John 3: 14 - 21*)

What does it mean to come to the light? It starts with honesty, primarily about ourselves. We have to lay down our defences and rationalisations, "our side of the story," and confess ourselves in good old-fashioned Catholic tradition, telling the truth about who we are. It involves

admitting we're afraid of our darkness, ashamed of some of our choices, knowing we can be petty and self-serving. We may be unwilling to love our enemies or to forgive those who injure us. Our compassion is undersized, and we shrink from self-sacrifice above all. We don't like risking our comfort and security; most acts of goodness, we know, require that.

We prefer the darkness to the light. In darkness, we can pretend we're better people. We can feel better about ourselves without having to change. But once we come into the light, things have to change. WE must change. The good news is, Jesus makes such change possible, even desirable. We become who we've longed to be. And God so loved the world, just for this.

### KIDS' CORNER

Have you ever compared brand-new white socks with your old white socks? The old ones might be dingy, more grey than white. In fact, maybe you forgot how white socks could be until you saw those new ones. It's sort of the same thing with sin. Sometimes we don't notice how we slip into the bad habits that can lead to sin. It can happen a little at a time, so slowly that we don't notice until it feels like it's too late. But it's never too late. We can always come to God and ask God's forgiveness, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. God will forgive us, so we'll be good as new.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(11 - 17 March)

- **Monday, 11:** Monday of 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent (Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54)
- **Tuesday, 12:** Tuesday of 4<sup>th</sup> of Lent (Ezek 37:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-3, 5-16)
- **Wednesday, 13:** Wednesday of 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent (Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30)
- **Thursday, 14:** Thursday of 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent (Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47)
- **Friday, 15:** Friday of 4<sup>th</sup> week of Lent (Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30)
- **Saturday, 16:** Saturday of 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-52)
- **Sunday 17:** FIFTH SUNDAY of LENT (Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33)

### PASTORAL CARE

If you need a priest for anointing prior to medical treatment or if you are ill (not necessarily life-threatening) or for last rites please contact: (08) 8556 2132 or 0488 287 552.