



Welcome to

Willunga Catholic Parish

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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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

1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 39: 2, 4, 7-10

*Here I am, Lord;
I come to do your will.*

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the
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Bulletin Board

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)

PRIEST ROSTER WEEKENDS

(This roster may change if something unforeseen crops up)

13 Jan 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Dominick
14 Jan 8.30am - Willunga, Fr Josy
10.30am - N/ville, Fr Josy
20 Jan 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy
21 Jan 8.30am - Willunga, Fr Dominick
10.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick
27 Jan 5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy
28 Jan 8.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick
10.30am - Willunga, Fr Tom

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

ST JOSEPH'S and ST PETER'S CEMETERIES

The charges for both Burial and Memorial Leases, as well as most of the fees associated with an interment, will be increased from the beginning of February. These increases, the first since July 2019, will apply to both our Parish cemeteries (St Peter's, Normanville and St Joseph's, Willunga) and have become necessary because of the significant rising costs of maintenance and other services.

If there are any parishioners who have been putting off buying a plot and would still like to purchase one at the old price, please contact one of our Cemetery Curators soon.

Curators at Willunga are: Martin Morgan (0417 851 902) or Michael Hynes (0490 677 314) or Tony Harding (0488 330 748) and at Normanville: Peter Bohnsack (0400 525 690).

FOUND

A house key and an earring were found amongst the collection bags last week. If you, or someone you know, is missing one (or both) of these items please ring Gael Maloney (0447 421 948).

COLOGNE PHILHARMONIA CONCERT

lot

The Cologne Philharmonia group will be performing at St Joseph's, Willunga on Sunday, January 28th at 3.00pm and 8.00pm (same programme for each). Our parishioners are always given advance notice of this concert - and first option on tickets. However, once the company begins their own advertising, the best seats may no longer be available. We offer designated seating. Patrons won't need to queue for tickets and their seats will be waiting for them when they arrive. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$35 for children under 12. Seats will be allocated when we receive payment.

For bookings please contact Gael Maloney (0447 421 948 - leave a message, if necessary). Payments by cash or bank transfer - no cheques please. Bank Acc: Concert tickets - BSB: 065-188 - Acc no: 100 622 69 - Ref: Your surname.

Sunday 28th January 2024 at 3 pm and 8 pm
WILLUNGA
ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
VIVALDI
THE FOUR SEASONS
4 Concertos for Violin, Strings and basso continuo
MOZART
Aria »Canzonetta« from the opera Don Giovanni
POPPER
»Tarantella« for Violoncello and Orchestra op.33
PAGANINI
»Carnival in Venice« for Violin and Orchestra
CHAMBER PHILHARMONIA COLOGNE
(Germany)
Sergey Didorenko * Violin Jaime Roda Segreles * Baritone Dima Gornovskij * Violoncello
www.kpk-info.de
Tickets available at
Willunga Catholic Parish Centre, 12 St. Jude Street,
SA Willunga 5172, Tel. 0447 / 421 948
Doorsales one hour prior to the concerts - unless sold out previously (cash sales only)

WALK FOR LIFE

Pennington Gardens
opposite St Peter's Cathedral
February 10 - 10.00am until noon.
Coffee, some seats, toilets available.

The gathering of people is about ten minutes walk from the train station. Parking is available - \$5. The walk is not necessary for our age group, but our attendance is vital, as is our VOTE. We are older, but have WISDOM. We need to promote life and care.

80,000 abortions are performed each year in Australia - some needed, most are not.

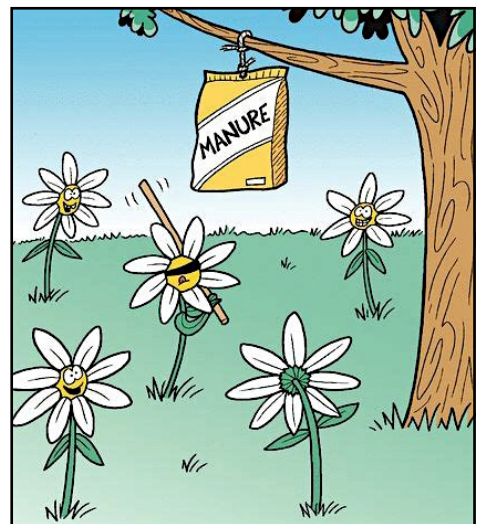
For more information, please contact Chris McWilliams (0451 144 776).
Chris McWilliams

GIVING OURSELVES A BETTER STORY

Some years ago, I was at a seminar where one of the keynote speakers was a young French-Canadian priest, Pierre Olivier Tremblay. Tremblay began his talk with words to this effect: I am a chaplain at a university, working with young college students. They are full of life, dreams, and energy; sadly, however they are mostly devoid of hope because they have no meta-narrative. They suffer a

because they do not have a bigger story within which to understand themselves and make more sense of their own story.

It made me think of my parents and the spirituality that helped sustain them and their generation. They had a meta-narrative, namely, the Christian story of salvation history and of how, in that story, at the very beginning of history, Adam and Eve committed an 'original sin' that has ever since skewed reality so as to leave us with the impossibility of ever attaining the full symphony in this life. When their lives got hard, as is the case with all of us, they had a religious perspective as



to why they were frustrated and in pain. They understood themselves to be born into a flawed world and a flawed nature. Hence, their prayer included the words, for now we live, mourning and weeping in a valley of tears.

Today we might frown on this and see it as unhealthy and morbid, but that narrative of Adam and Eve helped give some explanation and meaning to all the shortcomings in their lives. While it didn't take away their pain, it helped give dignity to their miseries. The story within which we frame our pain makes all the difference in the world vis-a-vis how we cope with that pain.

At the end of the day, faith, religion, community, friendship, and therapy, cannot take away our problems. Most times, there isn't any solution; a problem must be lived through. The story within which we frame our pain is the key to turning problem into mystery. Pain can be borne more generatively when it finds itself inside a larger story than our own, when it shares a meta-narrative, a horizon wide enough to dwarf idiosyncratic loneliness.

Ronald Rolheiser



Please share your love to help communities vulnerable to natural disasters around the world to be ready, respond and recover. When the

REGIONAL ASSEMBLY - "OUR CHURCH"
 9 March, Cardijn College - 9.30am until 4.30pm
 Register at: www.trybooking.com/CNDKK

ROSTERS

ALDINGA *Saturday 13 January*
 Welcomer A Woodhouse, C Tiedje
 Commentator Michelle Cormack
 Readers Viv Boucher
 Rod Boucher
 Eucharistic Minister Mario Bacchin

NORMANVILLE *Sunday, 14 January*
 Welcomer Tim Fleming
 Commentator Antoinette Fleming
 Reader Michael Steller
 Altar/Cleaning Trish Bohnsack, Rita Steller

WILLUNGA *Sunday, 14 January*
 Commentator Gael Maloney
 Reader Michael Hynes
 Eucharistic Minister Wayne Best
 Flowers Michael Hynes
 Church Linen Wayne Best

Hunga Tonga-Hunga Ha'apai volcano erupted last year people fled the tsunami, seeking refuge in a chapel on the top of a hill. The Tongan community urgently needs an evacuation centre and a warehouse to store essential supplies including water, blankets, hygiene kits, family tents and more. This can be made possible with your support.

Please give generously to the Caritas Australia Christmas Appeal to support communities in Tonga and other countries around the world that are vulnerable to natural disasters. Together we can help our global family to be ready, to respond and to recover when the next disaster strikes. Donate at caritas.org.au/christmas

**YOUNG ADULT
 SUMMER ECO CAMP**
 February 7-12

This four-day event is for students and any young adults (18-35) who have a concern for the care of Earth. Participants will engage with the local natural environment, hear inspiring speakers and have time to reflect and share.

Through attentiveness to Earth and each other, it is envisaged that participants will feel empowered to act for the care of our planet with hope.

For more details see <https://jisa.org.au/2024-young-adult-summer-eco-camp/>

**PLEASE KEEP THESE
 PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS**
Sick: Janet Burbidge, Rainer Maack, Adrian Andrews, Vi Corkin, Deirdre Boyd, Jim Smith, Janette McIver, Marie Andrews, Michael Casey, Paul Hancock, Laurie Cester

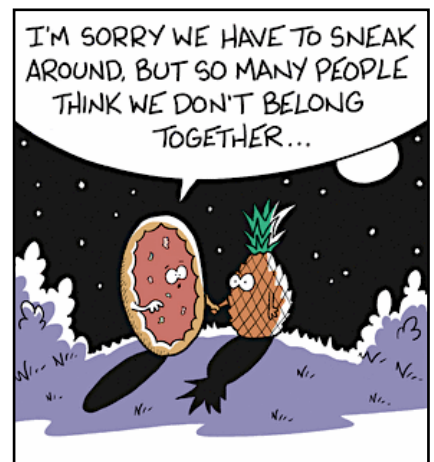
Please pray for all the faithful departed and may all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ.

DATES

- 20 Jan Men's Tour Down Under event - Willunga
- 28 Jan Philharmonia Cologne concerts 3.00pm and 8.00pm
- 29 Jan First day, School term 1
- 14 Feb Ash Wednesday
- 18 Feb 1st Sunday of Lent
- 25 Feb 2nd Sunday of Lent
- 3 Mar 3rd Sunday of Lent
- 10 Mar 4th Sunday of Lent
- 17 Mar 5th Sunday of Lent
- 18 Mar St Patrick's Day
- 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 Last day School term 1
- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 29 Apr First day School term 2

**2024 PARISH APPEALS
 CALENDAR**

- Feb 11 Day of the Unborn Child
- Feb 14 Project Compassion
- Mar 29 Good Friday Appeal
- May 12 St Vincent de Paul - Winter
- Jun 30 Holy Father's Appeal
- Jul 7 NATSICC Appeal
- Jul 14 Stella Maris - Sea Sunday
- Aug 11 Vocations Appeal
- Sept Catholic Charities Month
- Oct 5/6 Supporting Clergy Campaign
- Oct 20 World Mission Month
- Nov 10 St V de P - Christmas Appeal
- Dec 25 Catholic Charities



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 11/01/2024)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please stay home until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are also requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at Church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The movement in today's text is interesting. The Baptist and his disciples are standing still while Jesus is passing. John gives witness to Jesus as the Lamb of God, a term not normally used of a person. The disciples exhibit an interest in this man based on John's witness about him. They move away from John and towards Jesus. It is a movement of faith, although at this point they do not really understand who Jesus is. Jesus asks them a momentous question: 'What do you want?' It was normal for a teacher to gather students around him, so these two want to know where he lives so that they might come to hear his teachings. Instead they are invited, not just to listen to the teachings, but to share the life of Jesus.

Having entered into this, they recognise that Jesus is more than a teacher and give witness to him themselves: 'We have found the Messiah'. They draw others to Jesus, including Simon Peter, who is to become especially important as the story unfolds.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Part of the celebration of the Passover festival was the ritual sacrifice of many lambs so that the Jews could eat the Passover meal. In the story of Exodus, the blood of the lamb was shed so that it could be daubed on doorposts and thus enable the people to escape the angel of death. John recognises that Jesus will be the one to give his life for the sake of all.
- 'Messiah' is a Hebrew word which means 'anointed one'. 'Christ' is the Greek word meaning the same thing.

body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn1:41, 17

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

SHARING THE TRADITION

There are many Scriptural texts which give wonderful descriptions of being 'called' by God (see Isaiah 6; Jeremiah 1; Ezekiel 2; Amos 3:3 - 8; 7:14 -15; Jonah). This could be an appropriate time to look at the concept of vocation in all its richness. Some people are called to the vocation of priesthood or to religious life; others to marriage or to remain single. Whatever vocation one takes on in

life, one is called to live the gospel as Jesus invited the disciples to experience his life.

THE MAGI OR WISEMEN

In ancient Iran - also known as Persia - a priest was called a "magus." The plural is "magi". The word "magic" comes from the same root. Magi were experts in astronomy. This was useful in determining the calendar and the end of winter and the spring planting season. They believed that stars and other celestial objects actually influenced, rather than merely coincided with, earthly events. One, or possibly a series of omens, led them to believe that a royal prince had been born in Israel. They were sent as ambassadors to provide tribute to the newborn. The bible does not say how many Magi visited. It is assumed that there were three because of the number of gifts.

Excerpt from a commentary by Fr Richard Lonsdale

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Gifts establish a special relationship between the giver and receiver. We sometimes call them 'presents' because they somehow make the giver present to the one who receives. Often it is the simplest of gifts which are treasured because they recall to us someone we love.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(15 - 21 January)

- **Monday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 2 (1 Sam 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22)
- **Tuesday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 2 (1 Sam 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28)
- **Wednesday, 17:** St Anthony (1 Sam 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6)
- **Thursday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 2 (1 Sam 18:6-9, 1-7; Mk 3:7-12)
- **Friday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 2 (1 Sam 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19)
- **Saturday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 2 (2 Sam 1:1-14, 11-12, 17, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21)
- **Sunday 21:** THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Jonah 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20)

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.