

Welcome to Willunga Catholic Parish

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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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WILLUNGA CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

- Fr Josy Sebastian (Fr Josy away on annual leave until September 22)
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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 *Isaiah 50:5-9* The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who dare condemn me?

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 114:1-6, 8-9

I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

SECOND READING James 2:14-18

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Gal 6:14

Alleluia, alleluia! My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-35

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, (Continued page 4)



Bulletin Board

WEEKDAY MASSES

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

WEEKEND MASSES

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

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15 Sep	8.30am, Willunga - Fr Dominick
	10.30am, N/ville - Fr Tom
21 Sep	5.30pm, Aldinga - Fr Dominick
22 Sep	8.30am, N/ville - Fr Dominick
	10.30am, Willunga - Fr Tom
28 Sep	5.30pm, Aldinga - Fr Tom
29 Sep	8.30am, Willunga - Fr Josy
	10.30am, N/ville - Fr Josy

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Orders for 2025 Columban Calendars close soon. This year they are \$11each. Please contact Gael Maloney (0447 421 948) if you would like to place an order, or send \$11 in an envelope (marked with "Columban Calendar" and your name) in the Mass bag at your centre. *Gael Maloney*

PRELIMINARY NOTICE

Chamber Philarmonia Cologne St Joseph's has been offered two concerts on the weekend of 8th and 9th of March, 2025. Put the date in your calendar now. More details (costs, times, etc) when they become available.

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

Each year the Holy Father offers a special message to celebrate the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. This year's celebration, the 110th, takes place on Sunday, 29 September, and the theme is "God Walks with His People." Pope Francis highlights the pilgrim nature of the Church. You can find the Pope's letter here: (click here).

SEASON OF CREATION EVENT MERCY GROVE

The Holy Family Catholic Parish invites you for a prayerful and reflective afternoon at the Mercy Grove-Belair National Park, to celebrate the Season of Creation. The event will occur next Sunday (September 22) at 2.00pm. For registration and further information, please access the following link: https://www.trybooking.com/CULAQ



Help make a difference to the lives of South Australians. In the month of September, we are promoting the Catholic Charities Appeal which supports the following agencies in South Australia: Hutt St Centre, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Centacare Catholic Family Services, Our Lady of La Vang and St Patrick's Special Schools.



Please take a leaflet with you to find out more about the Sept Appeal. Donations can be made via the reply paid slip on the leaflet

or <u>:adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/qr/cc</u> or click the QR code above.

BLESSING OF MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday/Sunday, September 14/15 Celebrations for milestone wedding anniversaries in the Archdiocese will be held in local parish communities to recognise couples in their life-long commitment. Congratulations to Rod and Vivi Boucher (Aldinga -55th), Chris Symes and Anna Vnuk (Normanville - 35th), Denny and Terry Ford (Willunga - 50th), Ren and May Dunn (Willunga - 68th) and Ian and Tamaran La Ronde 20th).

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DEMOCARACY September 15th

The International Day of Democracy is celebrated on this day each year. It was first established by the United Nations in 2007 and is a UN Day of Observation. The purpose of the day is to observe and assess the state of democracy around the world and promote democratic principles, such as human rights laws and freedom of speech. The International Day of Democracy is an important event because it raises awareness for the need for democracy and explores issues across the world involving equality, human rights, and conflict. This event highlights the need for collective participation in democracy and democratic beliefs. It encourages and motivates people to work together and stand up for their rights and the need for fair and representative governments.

Members of the UN must practise as fair democratic countries in order to ensure people have a voice and human rights as set out by the UN. A lack of democracy can lead to a lack of rights or a voice, and this impacts human rights as set out by the UN.

GETTING IT DOWN TO THE ESSENTIALS

Sometime after his 70th birthday, Morris West wrote an autobiography which he entitled, *A View from the Ridge*. In it, West attests when you get to be 75 years old, your vocabulary should be pretty simple. You only need to have two words left: "Thank you!" Gratitude is the real mark of genuine maturity, of spiritual health.

For West, gratitude wasn't easy to come by. He had his share of hurts and rejections; not least by the church which he loved. As his story highlights, gratitude is predicated on forgiveness, on letting go of hurts, on not letting the past bitterly color the present. To be grateful is to be forgiving.

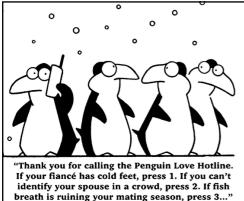
We all have deep hurts. Nobody comes to adulthood, let alone to old age, without being deeply hurt. Alice Miller, the renowned psychologist,



puts it this way: All of us, from the time that we are infants in the cradle until we are self-possessed enough to write an autobiography like Morris West's, are not adequately loved, not adequately cared for, not adequately recognized, not adequately valued, and not adequately honored. Moreover, all of us also suffer positively some rejection and abuse. None of us is spared life's unfairness.

So, what can we do about this, beyond first admitting that we do nurse a grudge against life? Miller suggests the most important task of mid-life and beyond is that of grieving. We need, she says, to cry until the foundations of our life are shaken. At a certain point in our lives the question is no longer: "Am I hurt?". Rather it's: "What is my hurt and how can I move beyond it?"

There is only one ultimate imperative in life: Before we die, we need to forgive. We need to forgive those who hurt us, to forgive ourselves for not being any better than those who hurt us, to forgive life itself for some of the things that it dealt us, and, not least, to forgive God for the fact that



ALDINGA Welcomer

Commentator Readers

Eucharistic Minister

NORMANVILLE Welcomer

Commentator Reader Data Projector Altar/Cleaning

WILLUNGA Commentator

Reader Eucharistic Minister Flowers Church Linen Saturday 14 August Andre Woodhouse Cristina Tiedje Rod Boucher Viv Boucher Mario Bacchin

Sunday, 15 September

Peter Bohnsack Trish Bohnsack Michael Steller Rita Steller Ann Henriksen

Sunday, 15 September

Anna Rogers Marie Cester Andrew Beach Mary Moore Margaret Guley life is unfair, so as not to die with a bitter and angry heart.

Gratitude is the fruit of that struggle.

Ronald Rolheiser

PAPAL ADVISER OUTLINES JUBILEE YEAR PLANS

A key papal adviser on Jubilee 2025 says he would welcome Australian dioceses marking the year in a variety of ways.

Archbishop Rino Fisichella also had the global picture in mind when he revealed to a group of media professionals in Rome that the World Bank had offered to hold talks with the Vatican about ways in which debt in some of the poorest countries could be forgiven in 2025.

The key features of the Holy Year will be a calendar of 35 "great events" and the opening of the Holy Door by Pope Francis to officially mark the start of the year.

Pilgrims to Rome will be able to enter the holy doors of a small number of Roman basilicas, recalling the passage from John 10.9: "*I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture.*"

Asked whether Australian dioceses could contribute to the Jubilee, he said each bishop had received information about the Jubilee. They could consider using the various Jubilee "great events" as opportunities to engage especially with young people and the poor.

The theme of the Jubilee is *"Pilgrims of Hope"*.

Excerpt from "CathNews"

ROSTERS

Saturday 21 August Andre Woodhouse Michelle Cormack Chris McWilliams Ken Creevey Judi Driscoll

Sunday, 22 September Rita Steller Michael Steller Trish Bohnsack

Trish Bohnsack Nigel Pile Trish Bohnsack, Rita Steller

Sunday, 22 September

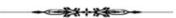
Michael Hynes Marie Andrews Anna Rogers Vanda Farrall Anna Rogers

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Healing list: Janet Burbidge, Rainer Maack, Adrian Andrews, Vi Corkin, Deirdre Boyd, Janette McIver, Michael Casey, Paul Hancock, Paul Cormack, Roger Fishlock, John Tregeagle.

Recently deceased: Kenton Kite

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





September Catholic Charities month		
27 Sep	Last day School term 3	
28 Sep	AFL Grand Final	
October	World Mission month	
5/6 Oct	Supporting Clergy Appeal	
07 Oct	Labour Day holiday	
14 Oct	First day School term 4	
20 Oct	World Mission Day Appeal	
05 Nov	Melbourne Cup	
10 Nov	St Vincent de Paul	
	Christmas Appeal	
13 Dec	Last day School term 4	
25 Dec	Catholic Charities Appeal	
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TO GIVE AWAY

A couple who have recently downsized have some surplus furniture they would like to give away to anyone who can use it.

- Double bed base (unassembled)
- Student desk
- Two square coffee tables (unassembled)
- Open bookcase
- Billy bookcase (Ikea)
- Table (6-seater, laminate top, metal legs)

If you are interested, please contact Gael Maloney (0447 421 948).

- Got a bizarre text this morning explaining how to read maps backwards. It was spam.
- Bank cash reserves seem to be low. I went to four different bank ATM's to withdraw cash and all of them said there was insufficient funds.
- I called my mum to see how my dad was getting on in the Scrabble championships. She said, "No word yet".
- Have you heard about the cricketer turned musician? His career went from bat to verse.

WILLUNGA PARISH

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- *Aldinga*| Kerri Gould, Lorraine Ellis, Kim Calderbank
- *Willunga* Rick Zagajewski, Michael Hynes
- *Normanville* Nigel Pile, Christopher Symes

FINANCE COUNCIL

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

CEMETERY CONTACTS

• *St Joseph's, Willunga* - Curator Martin Morgan (0417 851 902) - in his absence please contact: Michael Hynes (0490 677 314) *or* Tony Harding (0488 330 748)

• *St Peter's, Normanville* - Curator Peter Bohnsack (0400 525 690)

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

Please contact the Parish Office (8556 2132 or 0447 421 948)

SACRAMENTS

For more information please contact: • Parish Office

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- Kim Calderbank (kim.calderbank@cardijn.catholic.e du.au : [08] 8550 2200)

CHILD PROTECTION

We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, wellbeing 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 Parish contact - Michael Hynes *or* Child Protection Unit (8210 8159). *(Continued from page 1)* to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

THE SIXTEENTH ITEM (Mark 8: 27 - 35)

Calling the crowd to join his disciples, Jesus said, "Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the driver's seat; I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how. Selfhelp is no help at all." (Mk 8:34-35)

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A quick run through the supermarket wasn't the place Jennifer expected to learn a lesson in faith, but faith overtook her one Thursday in the checkout line.

Jennifer had figured on just swinging by the shops to grab a few things before picking up the kids at school. One of those basic hand-baskets was all she needed, and she got into the "15 items or less" line to speed up the process. But her run through the store ground to a halt when the elderly couple in front of her started having problems. First the woman forgot something on her list and sent her husband shuffling off to retrieve the item. Then came the inevitable struggle with the card reader. She swiped it upside down. Credit? Debit? PIN number? "Honey, what's our PIN number?"

Jennifer kicked herself for coming to the store on Senior Discount Day. The words "stupid" and "idiot" began to flash in her thinking. Then a little booklet in the magazine rack caught her eye. Nestled between "Amazing Astrology" and "Celebrity Diet Secrets" was "Bible for Busy Mums." She took it out and flipped it open to where Jesus talked about taking up the cross. It occurred to her that one of life's little crosses was being offered to her right then and there. She changed her mind, offered up a kindly prayer for the old couple, and dropped the little booklet into her basket.

KIDS' CORNER

If a brother or sister has nothing and one of you says, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well," but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? *(James 2:15-16)*

It's important to take part in the Mass and worship the Lord. But Jesus also calls us to act on our faith. We can bring groceries to church for the food pantry. We can put our own money in the collection basket for people left homeless by disasters, earthquakes and wars. We can also keep our eyes open for people in need all around us. Is there someone who seems lonely at school? Does a friend need someone to listen to them? In all these ways, we show our love for God and each other.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(September 16 - 22)

- *Monday, 16:* Sts Cornelius and Cyprian (1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10)
- *Tuesday, 17:* Weekday, Ord Time 24 (1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31; Lk 7:11-17)
- *Wednesday, 18:* Weekday, Ord Time 24 (1 Cor 12:31 13:13; Lk 7:31-35)
- *Thursday, 19:* Weekday, Ord Time 24 (1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50)
- *Friday, 20:* Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang & companions (1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3)
- *Saturday, 21:* St Matthew (Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13)
- *Sunday 22:* 25th SUNDAY in ORD TIME (Wis 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3; Mk 9:30-37)

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 0447 421 948.