



Welcome to

Willunga Catholic Parish

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

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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 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 116:1-2

*Go out to all the world;
and tell the Good News.*

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons.

Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

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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
1st Fri	9.00am - Willunga 11.30am - Normanville

WEEKEND MASSES

(Times on front page of this bulletin)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

For the latest Archdiocesan restrictions please see page 4 of this bulletin. Show you care - wear a mask!

SALA AT THE MONASTERY

This year, The Monastery is hosting two artists as a part of the South Australian Living Artists (SALA) festival. Until August 31 we will have Colleen Duffy's artwork on display and until August 14, Ainslie Gillies-Patel will be displaying her artwork. All are welcome to visit and view the stunning pieces during business hours, Monday to Friday.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The Catholic Charities Appeal will take place throughout the month of September. Catholic Charities is your umbrella organisation that supports the following agencies in South Australia.

- Hutt Street Centre
- Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
- Our Lady of La Vang
- St Patrick's Special School
- Centacare Catholic Family Services

These frontline agencies support some of the most vulnerable in the community at a time when many people are doing it tough. Brochures with reply paid envelopes will be available. All donations of more than \$2 are tax deductible.

ST JOSEPH'S CEMETERY

Martin Morgan, the curator of St Joseph's Cemetery is on leave for two months. Please contact David

Manders with any enquiries (phone 0420 760 220).

DEALING WITH HURT AND DISAPPOINTMENT

Some time ago, I went to a wake service for a friend.

For his vigil service, his family had prepared a wonderful collage of photographs of him in various, mostly happy, poses. One photo triggered a strong reaction in me. It was a picture of the deceased man holding his grandchild and beaming with a pride, joy, and happiness that can only come from holding your own grandchild.

I was unexpectedly stung to the quick, knowing that as a celibate I would never know that deep, holy, unadulterated joy, that there would never be a photo of me looking like that, that my face would never radiate that particular kind of happiness and pride, and that one of the deepest, holiest experiences given in this life would never be mine.

I was suddenly very sad and as I walked out of church, mostly ignoring friends around me, everything inside of me was drawn towards coldness, bitterness, anger at my loss, jealousy of others, and frustration at my choices in life. I also felt fiercely restless. I tried eating, phoning friends, taking a walk, but nothing helped until I finally sat down to pray. Tears began to flow, and I began a free fall, literally, into my own chaos, brokenness, inadequacies, restlessness, and pathologies. It's not pleasant, but scary, to enter your own brokenness, into all those places that you've denied exist inside of you.

I felt scared, but strangely at peace, and the feelings I had then, while still painful, were no longer cold or hard because when we cry we learn that salvation lies not in our capacity to be strong enough never to be broken, but in the opposite, namely, in a surrender in helplessness to a God who can fill in all those places where we are helpless, lost, jealous, restless, and broken.

G.K. Chesterton said "The person who doesn't have a softening of the heart, will eventually have a softening of the head." He's right.

Ronald Rolheiser

ASSEMBLY FOLLOW-UP

There will be a follow-up meeting on Thursday 8 September from 2.00pm - 3.30pm in St Joseph's Hall at Willunga.

The next step

Parishioners are invited to create an action plan for the three recommendations decided at our Parish Assembly - **Outreach, Formation and Justice and Peace**. Information will be distributed.

Afternoon tea will be provided. Please contact me (for catering purposes) on 0451 144 776.

Hope to see everyone there,
Chris McWilliams

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's Gospel reading is the third of three parables in chapter 13 that deal with the theme of the unexpected reversals brought by the Kingdom of God. The other two parables are about the tiny mustard seed that grows into a large tree and the small amount of yeast that makes a large batch of dough rise. All three are about the few and the many and the Kingdom of God.

As this parable opens, Luke reminds us that Jesus is making his way to Jerusalem. This journey, this exodus as Luke refers to it, makes up the entire middle of the Gospel. He is teaching as he goes. A question from the crowd gives Jesus the chance to make a prophetic statement. Luke uses this question device a number of times in his Gospel. A few weeks ago, the question "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" led to the parable of the Good Samaritan. The question about



will only a few be saved uses typical Christian language about salvation but also expresses the Jewish concern about whether everyone who calls himself a Jew is actually faithful to the covenant. This was a concern of the Pharisees.

Jesus answers that they must strive in the time remaining to enter through the narrow door because many will be trying to get in but won't be strong enough. He then moves to a parable about another door. (The translation says "gate" then "door," but the same Greek word is used.) Once all those entering the master's house are in and he locks the door, there will be no way for others to get in. Those left outside may knock, but the master will say he doesn't know them. Unlike the Gospel reading from a few weeks ago where Jesus was teaching about prayer, and we were told to knock and the door would be opened, in this parable, the master will not open and say he does not know us. People from the north, south, east, and west will take our place inside. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets will take our place in the Kingdom of God. Those who do not

make it through the narrow door will be cast out to where there is wailing and grinding of teeth.

The image of the door is replaced in the final verses of the parable with the image of the heavenly banquet. Two passages from the Book of Isaiah influence the conclusion. Isaiah 43:5-6 speaks of God bringing Israel's descendants back from the east and from the west, the north and the south. And Isaiah 25:6 speaks of the Lord providing a feast of rich foods and choice wines for all peoples on his holy mountain. The answer to the question if only a few will be saved is no. In the end, many will be saved, but many who thought they would be saved will not be saved. The parable is a prophetic warning to repentance in order to enter the kingdom.

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Aid to the Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA

ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

In areas of crisis, churches are often destroyed by violence. Where the faith is growing new churches are needed. ACN supports the reconstruction in these areas because a church is the centre of the life of faith and even the smallest chapel provides people with hope and a spiritual home.

Can you help build churches to support the faithful throughout the world? Visit: www.aidtochurch.org/construction

Teresa Hodal

Communications Coordinator



DOWNTON TABBY



DATES

- 28 Aug Social Justice Sunday
- Sep Catholic Charities Appeal
- Sep 4 Fathers' Day
- 30 Sep Last day School Term 3
- 3 Oct Labour Day holiday
- 13 Nov Vinnies Christmas Appeal
- 25 Dec Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Appeal

ROSTERS

ALDINGA
 Commentator
 Readers
 Eucharistic Minister

Saturday 20 August
 Michelle Cormack
 Brian Younie
 Chris McWilliams
 Kerri Gould

Saturday 27 August
 Tricia Dundon
 Rod Boucher
 Vivi Boucher
 David Manders

NORMANVILLE
 Welcomer
 Commentator
 Reader
 Altar/Cleaning

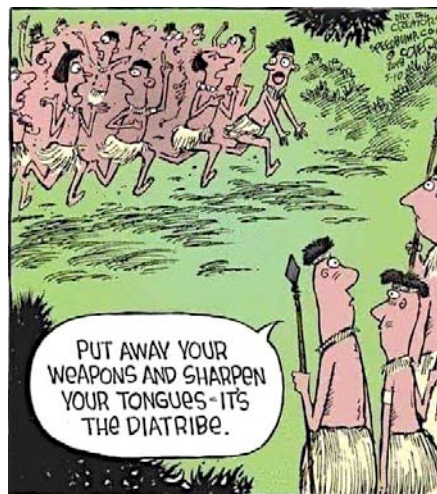
Sunday, 21 August
 Leo Montgomery
 Ann Henriksen
 Trish Bohnsack
 Trish Bohnsack, Rita Steller

Sunday, 28 August
 Nigel Pile
 Jim Fitzpatrick
 Thia Van Kuyk
 Trish Bohnsack, Rita Steller

WILLUNGA
 Commentator
 Reader
 Eucharistic Minister
 Flowers
 Church Linen

Sunday, 21 August
 Michael Hynes
 Norman Lee
 Wayne Best
 Vanda Farrall
 Margaret Oomens

Sunday, 28 August
 Anna Rogers
 Ian La Ronde
 Michael Hynes
 Vanda Farrall
 Margaret Guley



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 18/08/22)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please follow the instructions as per SA Health in terms of contact tracing and isolating yourself as per government health protocols. Please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- The density requirement has been updated to full capacity in all churches and also includes funerals and weddings.
- Wearing of face-masks in Church is strongly recommended by the Archbishop.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact



MASKS RECOMMENDED FOR EVERYONE

VACCINATED and UNVACCINATED

DID YOU KNOW?

This is a text about the universality of God's love and the redemption God offers. It is not limited to a particular group or nationality. It is open to all who respond positively.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

EXPLORING THE WORD

As the chosen people, the Jews believed they were in a privileged relationship with God. In this text, Jesus shatters some illusions. There is no privileged or exclusive entry to the kingdom of God by those who see themselves as 'religious insiders'. This is equally directed to the disciples. It is not enough that they have shared a meal with Jesus or have heard his word. They must

respond to that word and act on it. They must enter by the narrow door, and this requires great effort, or else those who thought themselves 'inside' could find themselves 'outside', while others, 'the outsiders', will find their way ahead of them. This radical reversal of values and expectations would have shocked those who thought they were on the 'inside'.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

One of the most common images of the kingdom of God is that of the feast or the banquet. A feast is not simply a meal; it is an abundant celebration of something wonderful, from which people draw nourishment, life and vitality. Such is the kingdom of God.

SHARING THE TRADITION

Who will be saved? This is a difficult question. There is no doubt that God wants all people to be saved and that Jesus died to save all people.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, 'Believing in Jesus Christ and in the One who sent him for our salvation is necessary for that salvation'

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(22 - 28 August)

- **Monday, 22:** The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (2 Thess 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22)
- **Tuesday, 23:** Weekday, Ord Time 21 (2 Thess 2:1-3, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26)
- **Wednesday, 24:** St Bartholomew (Rev 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51)
- **Thursday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 21 (1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51)
- **Friday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 21 (1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13)
- **Saturday, 27:** St Monica (1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30)
- **Sunday 28:** 22nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24; Lk 14:1, 7-14)

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.