



Welcome to

# Willunga Catholic Parish

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

16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Vol 21 : No 35

## WILLUNGA CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

12 St Judes Street (PO Box 14)  
WILLUNGA SA 5172  
Phone: 8556 2132  
Email: [admin@willungaparish.org.au](mailto:admin@willungaparish.org.au)  
Web: [www.willungaparish.org.au](http://www.willungaparish.org.au)

## 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))
- Fr Dominick Okwadha (A/Priest - 8382 1717; 0421 074 212; [okwadha@yahoo.com](mailto:okwadha@yahoo.com))
- Fr Tom Gleeson (Resident Priest - 8557 1072, [tegleeson@bigpond.com](mailto:tegleeson@bigpond.com))
- Sr Margaret Ann (Parish worker - 0488 287 552, [maconnelly@goodsams.org.au](mailto:maconnelly@goodsams.org.au))
- Gael Maloney (Parish Office and Newsletter - articles due Wednesday - 0447 421 948, [bahloo2@bigpond.com](mailto:bahloo2@bigpond.com))
- Parish Finance Officer - Thia Van Kuyk (0428 238 397, [tntvank65@gmail.com](mailto:tntvank65@gmail.com))

## 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

*Wisdom 12:13,16-19*

There is no god, other than you, who cares for every thing, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly; Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all.

You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there.

By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16*

*Lord, you are good and forgiving.*

## SECOND READING

*Romans 8:26-27*

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray

properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Mt 11:25*

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 13:24-43*

Jesus put a parable before the crowds: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered.

*(Continued page 4)*



# Bulletin Board

## REGULAR MASS TIMES

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
1 <sup>st</sup> 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)*

22 July	5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Josy
23 July	8.30am - N/ville, Fr Dominick 10.30am - Willunga, Fr Tom
29 July	5.30pm - Aldinga, Fr Dominick
30 July	8.30am - Willunga, Fr Josy 10.30am - N/ville, Fr Josy

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

## MARY MACKILLOP PRECINCT

*July/August/September Events Program*

There is something for everyone in our 2023 Events program, and we hope that you will accept the [attached booklet](#) as a personal invitation to participate in one, some, or all, of the events on offer.

## AGEISM

*Ageism is "the most pervasive and tolerated form of prejudice" in Australia, yet it can lead to serious health and wellbeing consequences for older people, the outgoing Age Discrimination Commissioner warns.*

*Source: The Australian*

Kay Patterson, who says new research shows ageist attitudes can be effectively addressed through education programs, is urging government and private organisations that provide services to older Australians to deliver ageism awareness training to their staff.

Dr Patterson, whose seven-year term as Age Discrimination Commissioner ends later this month, said compared with the other "isms" such as racism and sexism, ageism may come from a well-intentioned place but it still remains potentially harmful. "Ageism can have serious

consequences for older people's health and wellbeing," she said. "Studies have linked those who experience or internalise ageist attitudes with shorter lifespans, reduced quality of life, and physical and mental health conditions."

Dr Patterson said despite the harms, it remains more socially acceptable to have ageist attitudes than racist or sexist ones. "Perceiving older people as being in need of assistance and experiencing physical and cognitive decline, though ... well-intentioned ... can lead to patronising and paternalistic treatment of older adults. "Speaking slowly and loudly to an older person or making a comment like 'You look good for your age' are based on implicit biases about older age," she said.

A new study by the commission has examined the impact of ageism awareness training for those working with older people.

Having completed the 2.5-hour training program, 90 per cent said they had rethought the way they communicated with older people, and more than 80 per cent had reconsidered their attitudes to ageing, it found.

"Ageism may be the most accepted form of prejudice, but it is also the easiest to shift," Dr Patterson said. "Reprinted from "CathNews"



## SALT + LIGHT

*Art Exhibition  
Bethany Hall, Willunga*

Six local artists are excited to launch their new exhibition entitled Salt + Light at Bethany Hall this August. The theme reflects on the salt of the earth and our unique Australian light and environment.

The official opening is always a highlight and the exhibition will be launched by Gavin Malone.

Gavin Malone is a visual artist and cultural geographer who has been instrumental in the development of Lot 50 - Kanyanyapilla, a 16 hectare ecological and cultural regeneration project located on ancient Kaurna

Meyunna complex and is a registered aboriginal site.

The six artists participating are a blend of established and emerging artists: Roe Gartelmann, Chris Olsen, Elizabeth Bradley, Raylene Pearce, Lesley Redgate and Helen Sherriff.

The exhibition launch is on Friday, August 4 at 6.00pm at Bethany Hall, 33 St Andrews Terrace, Willunga. This invigorating exhibition will be open on weekends throughout August from 1.00pm - 4.00pm. Entry is free. Visitors can also look forward to meeting the artists and hearing about their art story, there will also be a popular vote prize. *Jenny Esots*

## BLESSING OF MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

*Sunday September 17*

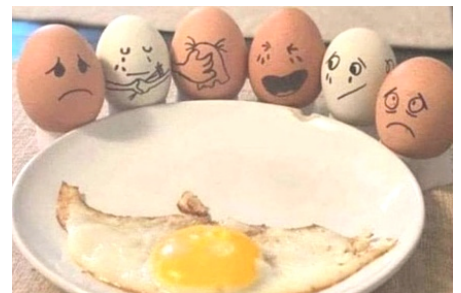
Celebrations for milestone wedding anniversaries in the Archdiocese will again be held in local parish communities to recognise couples in their life-long commitment.

If you, or someone you know, is celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year (10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 and 60 years), we invite you to let Sr Margaret Ann (0488 287 552) or Gael Maloney (0447 421 948) know of the details so they may be acknowledged at the Anniversaries Mass on that weekend.

## WOMEN DEACONS AND THE SYNOD

On 7 August 2023 (10.00-11.30am AEST) the ACU Centre for Liturgy will host Dr Phyllis Zagano (Hofstra University, New York) who will give an online public lecture (via Zoom) entitled "Women Deacons and the Synod: What Happens Now?"

Most of the Continental Assemblies and the syntheses of several Episcopal Conferences call for the question of



*He died last fry day. Thank goodness he wasn't beaten. Don't worry, he went over easy. He's now on the sunny side. He's definitely in a better plate.*



women's inclusion in the diaconate to be considered at the Synod on Synodality. Is it possible to envisage this, and in what way?" She will address the questions: What are the arguments for and against women ordained as deacons? What will happen in October? Dr Zagano is an internationally acclaimed Catholic scholar and lecturer on contemporary spirituality and women's issues in the church. To register, please go to [www.acu.edu.au/publiclectureCfl](http://www.acu.edu.au/publiclectureCfl)



**EVERY GENERATION  
ONKAPARINGA  
2023 AWARDS NOW OPEN**

These awards recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements and valuable contributions that people of all ages, cultures and abilities make to



*"You have fits of rage, followed by temporary spells of euphoria, all within several hours. Are you, by chance, a golfer?"*

positive ageing in our communities. Help us share these achievements by nominating now. Nomination forms and guidelines are available online – visit [onkapingacity.com/EGO](http://onkapingacity.com/EGO)

Nominations close at 5pm Monday 14 August 2023. For more information visit [onkapingacity.com/EGO](http://onkapingacity.com/EGO) or call 8384 0666.

**OUR ARCHDIOCESAN VISION  
AND MISSION STATEMENT**

*Vision*

The Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide strives to be a welcoming, Christ-centred community of believers serving others. As missionary disciples we are committed to building up the Body of Christ by listening, discerning and growing in the spirit, journeying together.

*Mission Statement*

As followers of Jesus Christ, loved by God, nurtured and formed in community we are called to be:

- Sharers of faith, hope and love
  - Builders of bridges
  - Healers of broken relationships
- Agents of transformation in our world.

**REJOICE AND BE GLAD!**

We go from this place as God's chosen people.  
 God has found you.  
 God will stay with you.  
 God will encourage you.  
 God will strengthen you.  
 God will enlighten you.  
 God is with you for the long haul.  
 God is with you when life is a struggle.  
 God is with you when your time becomes God's time.  
 We go from this place as God's chosen people.

**ROSTERS**

**ALDINGA** *Saturday 22 July*  
 Welcomer Lorraine, Noah Ellis  
 Commentator Tricia Dundon  
 Readers Rod Boucher  
 Vivi Boucher  
 Eucharistic Minister Brigid Grimwood

**NORMANVILLE** *Sunday, 23 July*  
 Welcomer Peter Bohnsack  
 Commentator Trish Bohnsack  
 Reader Michael Steller  
 Altar/Cleaning Volunteer, Ann Henriksen

**WILLUNGA** *Sunday, 23 July*  
 Commentator Gael Maloney  
 Reader Marie Cester  
 Eucharistic Minister Norman Lee  
 Flowers Michael Hynes  
 Church Linen Margaret Oomens

*Saturday 29 July*  
 Kate Manders  
 David Manders  
 Tricia Dundon  
 Brianna McIver  
 Lorraine Ellis

*Sunday, 30 July*  
 Leo Montgomery  
 Jim Fitzpatrick  
 Jan Plumb  
 Volunteer, Ann Henriksen

*Sunday, 30 July*  
 Anna Rogers  
 Vanda Farrall  
 Steve Maglieri  
 Tony Harding  
 Viv Zagajewska

**PLEASE KEEP THESE  
PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Sick:** Janet Burbidge, Rainer Maack, Adrian Andrews, Vi Corkin, Deirdre Boyd, David Guley, Paul Hancock, Msg Robert Aitken, Beth Thomas

**Recently deceased:** Mary Kennedy  
 Fr Kevin O'Loughlin

**DATES**

- 23 Jul World Day for Grandparents
- 24 Jul First day School term 3
- 1 Aug World Youth Day
- 8 Aug St Mary of the Cross feast
- 13 Aug Vocations Appeal
- 15 Aug Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Sep Catholic Charities Month
- 3 Sep Fathers' Day
- 29 Sep Last day School term 3
- 2 Oct Labour Day
- 16 Oct First day School term 4
- 22 Oct World Mission Day
- 12 Nov Vinnies Christmas Appeal
- 15 Dec Last day School term 4
- 25 Dec Catholic Charities Appeal



Pope Francis established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in 2021.

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated for the third time in 2023 on Sunday 23 July – the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Grandparents of Jesus.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is: **"His mercy is from age to age"** (Luke 1:50).

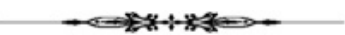
This new worldwide celebration in the Universal Church calendar is a momentous achievement for Grandparents and the Elderly and will hopefully reassure them that they are loved and that they are needed.

## COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 20/07/23)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact



### EXPLORING THE WORD

The contrast between the good and bad seed reflects a reality within Matthew's community. This text highlights the difficulty of being a Church called to spread the good news while there are some within its ranks who scandalise others by their bad behaviour or decadent way of life.

This parable counsels patience. The answer to the dilemma is to let both the righteous and the lawless members of the community, grow together until the harvest time and then let God be the judge.

Ultimately, this parable assures its hearers that God will not allow evil to destroy what is good.

In the longer version of this gospel, the short parables of the kingdom compare it to a mustard seed and to the yeast in dough. Both are small and insignificant but both develop almost imperceptibly and once begun, there is no stopping them.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- Darnel is an annual grass commonly found in grain fields as a weed. When it first shoots it looks very much like wheat.
- There are echoes in this gospel of the final judgment when the good will be separated from the bad, the sheep from the goats, the weeds from the harvest.

(Continued from page 1)

And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

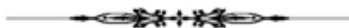
He put another parable before them: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfil the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'



### MIGHT AND MERCY

(Matthew 13: 24 - 43)

Just as power is used for good or harm, not all seeds are created equal. Jesus tells a story of good seed and bad, and how they grow up together in the

harvest of the world. We experience this reality in the contents of our own hearts. We have wonderful, generous impulses; and also cruel, petty thoughts. We may be heroic in our love one day, and selfish the next. We forgive and withhold forgiveness. Our fields are waist-high in grain and thistles.

No wonder that good and bad grow up together in families; parishes are a mixture of charity and snobbery; politics is full of high-minded ideals and crude scandal. If we were surprised when nice people do things that are not nice, we have to look no further than this parable for the reason. Reasons are not excuses, of course. Jesus says even a tiny seed of good can create immense goodness. A bit of yeast makes the whole dough rise. The existence of evil is no reason to view it as inevitable. If I find within myself both good and evil, I have a responsibility to grow the grain and invite the Spirit to uproot the thistle in me.

### KIDS' CORNER

Have you ever seen a seed when it first sprouts? So tiny and tender! But sometimes a weed pops up nearby. If you try to pull it, you might hurt that little seedling too. Sometimes it's best to leave the weed alone until the seedling is stronger. In the parable, Jesus is telling us that sin can be all around us. It's not going to go away. We are all tempted – even Jesus was tempted. But if we put our trust in Jesus and nothing else, we don't have to worry about what happens around us. We will grow strong in Jesus' love.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(24 - 30 July)

- **Monday, 24:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42)
- **Tuesday, 25:** St James (2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28) Time
- **Wednesday, 26:** Sts Joachim and Anne (Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9)
- **Thursday, 27:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20; Mt 13:10-17)
- **Friday, 28:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23)
- **Saturday, 29:** Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus (1Jn 4:7-16; Jn 11:19-27)
- **Sunday 30:** 17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1Kg 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52)

### 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.