



Welcome to

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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(Please leave a message outside office hours and we will get back to you as soon as we can)

Email: nswcp@tpg.com.au

Web: www.noarlunga-seafordparish.org.au

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian - (8382 1717;
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• ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr Dominick Okwadha
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• PARISH MANAGER NEWSLETTER

Mrs Toni Fishlock - 0417 801 241;
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(Please submit newsletter items to the Parish Office by 11.30am each Wednesday)

• SEAFORD

Sr Bernice Sontrop SGS – SCC
(Catholic Community Coordinator
- 0400 035 462)

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

REGULAR WEEKEND MASSES

• SATURDAY EVENING
6.00pm - St Luke's, Noarlunga

• SUNDAYS

9.00am - St Luke's, Noarlunga
10.45am - SCC, Seaford
11.00am - 1st Sun - St Luke's: Spanish
2.00pm - 2nd Sun - St Luke's: Filipino
5.30pm - St Luke's: Youth Mass



FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 94:1-2, 6-9

*If today you hear his voice
harden not your hearts.*

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light: a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.

Alleluia!

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Baptism of Infants 8382 1717

Children's Faith Formation

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Each Saturday 9:00am - 9:30am
or by appointment.

Pastoral Co-ordinator:
Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579
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Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579

Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:
Dr Paul Rijken

Chairperson Liturgy Group:
Margaret Burns

Parish Schools and Colleges:
St John the Apostle 8382 2064
Principal - Ms Lee-Anne Johansen
All Saints 83270020
Principal - Mr Nick Wright

Cardijn College 8392 9500
Principal - Mr Steve Byrne
Heads of Campus:
Marian - Wade Champion
Galilee - Ms Kerri Gould 8557 9000
Marcellin - Mr Gianni Petrucci

Church Cleaning
For weekend 3/4 February
Cleaning: Volunteer
Vacuuming: Volunteer

Finances : January
For weekend 20/21 January
1st Collection \$874.00
Support for Archdiocesan Priests
2nd Collection \$894.00 (28 envelopes)
Open Plate \$630.00

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to the community.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office Hours
Tuesday to Friday
10.00am—2.30pm

For any emergencies please contact
Fr Josy on 0452 524 169 or
Toni Fishlock on 0417 801 241.

Noticeboard:

2023 Upcoming Courses
2023/24 Magi Pilgrimages

CHANGES TO COVID RULES ARE LISTED ON THE BACK OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

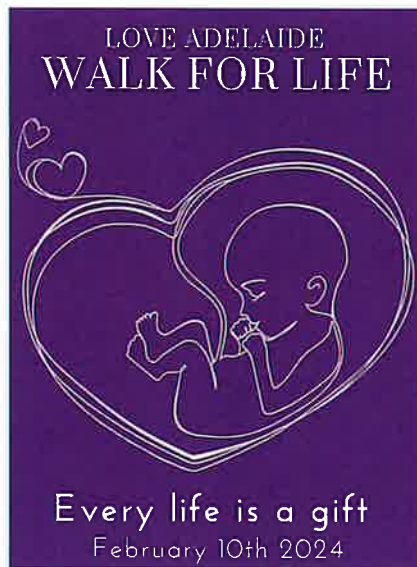


We welcome to our faith community:
Reid Bradley, son of Jarrad and Danielle and
Mariah Talavera, daughter of Mark and Donita
who were baptised during the month of January.
We wish them and their families God's richest blessings.



The students in our parish family begin school this week. Let us all remember our young people in our prayers and ask God's blessings on them all, from the littlest 5-year olds to our 17 and 18 year olds entering their final year of schooling. We wish them all a year filled with much happiness, new friendships and exciting learning.

We also ask God's blessings on all those who staff our schools as they begin a new year of new challenges.



LOVE ADELAIDE - WALK FOR LIFE

Join us as we walk for life to bring an end to abortion

Saturday 10th of February 2024

10:00am -12:00noon

Pennington Gardens

Opposite St Peter's Cathedral

\$5 Donation Parking

Adelaide Oval carpark
Enter from Pennington Tce

Don't forget to bring a
drink bottle; and remember
to slip, slop and slap!

Gates

Gates will be open from
9am. Bring your ticket!

Tickets

FREE entry tickets at
loveadelaide.org.au

PLEASE WEAR A WHITE SHIRT

NO megaphones or personal signs,
Love Adelaide will provide official signs for the
walk. Please follow the direction of the marshals
& police and walk peacefully with love.

Free Tickets at trybooking/CLZHK

Please follow the event guidelines.

Every life is a gift

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EMERGENCY EVACUATION

In the event of an emergency, please follow the directions of the Parish Priest, reader or commentator who shall act as the Chief Warden and take control of the emergency response. The collectors shall assist as wardens.

When directed to evacuate the church/office/hall:

- Move quickly and orderly to the nearest safe exit. Do not run;
- If required, provide assistance to people with disabilities and the elderly;
- Alert the Chief Warden/Warden if someone is unable or unwilling to evacuate;
- Proceed to the designated assembly area at the western end of the carpark near the Cardijn College entrance and await further instructions from the Chief Warden or emergency services;
- Do not re-enter any buildings until advised by the Chief Warden or emergency services.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA
EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9:00AM TO 10:30PM**

Pray for the healing of: Terry Cahalan, Connie Anderson, Bill Tanti, James Stewart, Gentile Monardo, Cate Lavelle, Peter Jacques, Raymond Peppin, Barney Manning, Shelley Heard, Cherie Morrison, Astrid Houareau



Deceased:

Anniversaries:

(Names will remain on the Prayer for Healing list for one month).

Roster for weekend 3/4 February

	6:00pm	9:00am	5:30pm
Priest	Fr Dominick	Fr Josy	Fr Josy
P1	Dave van Heerde	Children's Mass	Children's Mass
P2	Christine Challis	Children's Mass	Children's Mass
W	Paul Rijken	Children's Mass	Children's Mass
HC	Anton Crane	Rhea Thomas	Gabrielle Byrne
	Raylee Crane	Angeline D'Cruz	Theresa Tanti
Children's Liturgy			
Music	6:00pm	9:00am	5:30pm



LADIES' COFFEE & CAKE MORNING
Friday 2 February at 10:30am

Caritas 60th Anniversary Celebration

All Caritas Supporters, young and old are invited to join the Archbishop on Sunday February 25 for Mass at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral (11am) followed by a coffee and sausage sizzle to commemorate 60 years of Caritas in Australia, with its foundations proudly in Adelaide!

All are invited to join in unity as we continue to support those most vulnerable in our world.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM will commence at St Luke's in February 2024. If you would like your child to receive these

Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office on 8382 1717 to register or for more information.

CHILD PROTECTION



Education should develop each child's personality and talents to the full. It should encourage children to respect their parents, their cultures and other cultures.

CHILDRENS' MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 9:00AM AND 5:30PM.

NEXT MASS WILL BE 4 FEBRUARY.

WHAT'S ON

Mon 29 January	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's
Tues 30 January	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's
Wed 31 January	Mass at 9:15am - SCC Mass at 7:30pm - St Luke's
Thurs 1 February	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Benediction at 10:30am Rosary at 6:45pm - St Luke's
Fri 2 February	Rosary at 9:30am - St Luke's Mass 10.00am - St Luke's Ladies' Coffee and Cake at 10:30am
Sat 3 February	Reconciliation at 9:00am - St Luke's Mass at 6:00pm - St Luke's
Sun 4 February 4 th	Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Mass at 10:45am - SCC Spanish Mass at 11:00am - St Luke's Mass at 5:30pm - St Luke's

Volunteer Police Clearances

It is a legal requirement that all Parish Volunteers hold an up to date police clearance.

If your clearance is about to expire, please contact the Parish Office for renewal.

St Luke's **Craft Workshop** resumes on Wednesday, 31 January



The **PRAYER MEETING** is resuming on Thursday, 8 February 2024 from 9:30am -12:00noon. Everyone is welcome to come.

For more information, contact Angie on 8382 7257.

Children's Liturgy

will be at the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, 11 February.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 3 February at 8:00am
All welcome.

Volunteer Cleaners Needed



If you are able to spare a little time during the next few weeks to either vacuum the church, wash the meeting room and foyer floors or clean/polish the brass on windows and doors. Please contact the parish office. Your help is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

For parishioners who would like to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, kindly wait until all the other parishioners have received Holy Communion in the hand.

Holy Communion on the tongue will be distributed by the priest. Please consume the host immediately.



POPE FRANCIS ANNOUNCES YEAR OF PRAYER

Pope Francis announced the start of a Year of Prayer last Sunday in preparation for the Catholic Church's 2025 Jubilee Year.

In his Angelus address, the Pope said that a Year of Prayer starting on January 21 will be *"a year dedicated to rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer in one's personal life, in the life of the Church, and in the world."*

The Vatican and the city of Rome are expecting an estimated 35 million people to flock to the Eternal City for the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope — the first ordinary jubilee since the Great Jubilee of 2000.

A jubilee is a special holy year of grace and pilgrimage in the Catholic Church. It typically takes place once every 25 years, though the Pope can call for extraordinary jubilee years more often, such as in the case of the 2016 Year of Mercy or the 2013 Year of Faith.

Jubilees have biblical roots. The Book of Leviticus called for jubilee years to be held every 50 years for the freeing of slaves and forgiveness of debts as manifestations of God's mercy. The practice was reestablished by Pope Boniface VIII in 1300.

The 2025 Jubilee Year begins on December 24, 2024 (Christmas Eve), and concludes on January 6, 2026.

The Holy Doors are a central part of any jubilee. These doors, found at St Peter's Basilica and Rome's other major basilicas, are sealed from the inside and opened during a jubilee year. *CathNews*

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GOSPEL

Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

DID YOU KNOW?

- In the ancient world many forms of mental illness were attributed to being possessed by 'evil spirits'.
- In Mark's Gospel, Jesus is often presented in confrontational situations with evil spirits, with the Jewish authorities and even with his own disciples when they fail to understand who he is and what his mission entails.

EXPLORING THE WORD

This is the first of the miracles of Jesus recounted in Mark's Gospel and it is a significant introduction to the person of Jesus and the power he possesses. Only a few verses earlier, at his baptism, Jesus had been revealed as the beloved Son of God. In this short text, Mark contrasts Jesus and the authority of his teaching with that of the scribes. Jesus teaches in such a way that he makes a deep impression on his hearers. Clearly, this is because his

authority and his wisdom come from God. Whilst his human audience may still be unclear as to the true identity of Jesus, this is not the case with his 'other-worldly' audience: the unclean spirits know exactly who Jesus is—the Holy One of God—and they recognise his authority and obey his command. They know that the power of the Almighty is greater than the power of the evil one.

SHARING THE TRADITION

In the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, the catechetical process is often begun or concluded with a 'Prayer of Exorcism'. Our understanding of what is meant by this term may be clouded by 'Hollywood' representations of casting out demonic possessors. The Rite itself suggests that the prayers of exorcism 'draw the attention of the catechumens to the real nature of Christian life, the struggle between flesh and spirit, the importance of self-denial for reaching the blessedness of God's Kingdom, and the unending need for God's help' (#90). The question of how a good and gracious God can allow the existence of evil in the world is one which has been debated for centuries.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(29 January - 4 February)

- **Monday, 29:** Weekday, Ord Time 4 (2 Sam 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20)
- **Tuesday, 30:** Weekday, Ord Time 4 (2 Sam 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43)
- **Wednesday, 31:** St John Bosco (2 Sam 24:1, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6)
- **Thursday, 1:** Weekday, Ord Time 4 (1 Kg 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13)
- **Friday, 2:** The Presentation of the Lord (Malachi 3:1-4; Lk 2:22-40)
- **Saturday, 3:** Weekday, Ord Time 4 (1 Kg 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34)
- **Sunday 4:** FIFTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Job 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39)

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) 8382 1717; or in an emergency 0452 524 169.