



Welcome to

# Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and Seaford Ecumenical Centre  
(Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)

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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)*

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### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday  
10.00am - 3.00pm

### PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

#### • PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian (8382 1717;  
in an emergency 0452 524 169;  
[jponnambal@gmail.com](mailto:jponnambal@gmail.com))

#### • ASSISTANT PRIESTS

Fr Prathap Katta  
(8382 1717)

Fr Arul Dev  
(8382 1717)

#### • PARISH MANAGER/ NEWSLETTER

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*(Please submit newsletter items to the Parish Office by 11.30am each Wednesday)*

#### • SEAFORD

Sr Bernie Sontrop SGS – SEM  
(Catholic Community Coordinator  
- 0400 035 462)

### CHILD PROTECTION

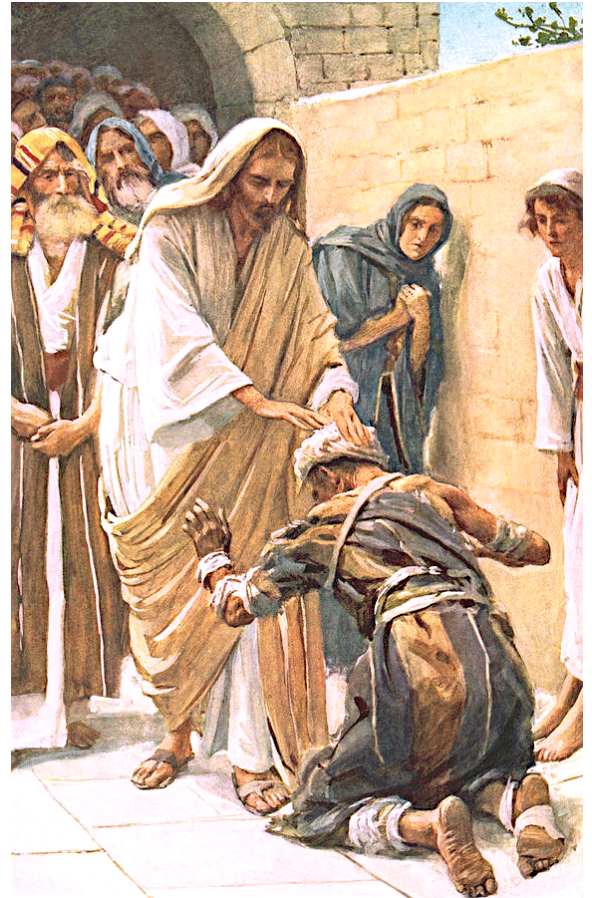
Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

### FIRST READING

*Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46*

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprosy: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'



### RESPONSORIAL

*PSALM Ps 31:1-2, 5, 11*

*I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

### SECOND READING

*1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1*

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Lk 7:16*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.*

*Alleluia!*

### GOSPEL

*Mark 1:40-45*

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.'

The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

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**Baptism of Infants:** 8382 1717

**Children's Faith Formation**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Each Saturday 9.00am - 9.30am and  
Half an hour before all weekend masses

**Ministry to Sick:**

Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579

**Child Safe Contact Person:**

**Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:**

Dr Paul Rijken

**Chairperson Liturgy Group:**

Margaret Burns

**Parish Schools and Colleges:**

**St John the Apostle** 8382 2064

Acting Principal - Ms Lee-Anne  
Johansen

**All Saints** 83270020

Principal - Mrs Liz Keogh

**Cardijn College** 8392 9500

Principal - Dr P Rijken

Heads of Campus:

Cardijn College—Mr Pat Harmer

Galilee—Mr Nick Wright 8557 9000

Marcellin—Mr Chris Burrows

**Church Cleaning**

For weekend 20/21 February

Cleaning: Pat Harrington & Jane  
VanVliet

Vacuuuming: Bill Aldridge

**Finances**

For weekend 6/7 February

1st Collection \$600

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$559 (33 envelopes)

Open Plate \$620

Unborn Child \$453

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

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is open

10.00am—3.00pm on

Tuesday—Friday

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

**Noticeboard:**

Feb 11 The Spirit of the Liturgy

Feb 13 Men's Breakfast

Feb 18 Charismatic Mass, Thebarton

Feb 22 Lenten Evening

Mar 1 Lenten Evening

Mar 5 World Day of Prayer 2021

## IMPORTANT COVID RULES TO BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED

These rules are listed on the back of this newsletter.



### Project Compassion Sunday 14 February 2021

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Be More". Through your generosity and by aspiring to be more, you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

### Timor Leste Update 2021 - Good News to Start the year!

Thanks to Parishioners' generosity - & despite Covid upsetting our fund-raising - last month, we sent \$2,000 to Mercy Works in Sydney for our Maucatar Mother & Babies health project. In addition The Belair/ Blackwood parish had some Timor Dollars 'in waiting'. After some discussion they boosted our project to the tune of a healthy \$4,500! A reminder --

This money supports the nuns at the Teresa Orsini Clinic in the remote highlands. They are combatting the high mortality rate of Pregnant women & children, with education & better nutrition. Plus their Chicken & Egg scheme is successfully increasing vital protein, cheaply, in the 22 surrounding villages.

Special Blessings to all concerned, for your prayers & support over the past 27years - This must be a bit of a record!!

Julia Macey (Liaison person).

### ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

St Joseph;s—Willunga 9.00am and 7.00pm

Seaford Christian Churches 9.15am

St Luke's 7.30pm

### LENTEN EVENING PRAYER

Evening prayer will be held at St Luke's each Tuesday during lent commencing at 7.00pm followed by Mass



Stations of the Cross will be held at St Luke's every Friday during Lent at 7.00pm

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA  
EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9.30AM TO 2.00PM**

**Pray for the healing of:** Jack Vaughan, Leonard Porter, Bill Tanti, Gerry Burns, Heather D'Cruz, Carmel Henderson, Carlo Robusti, Gentile Monardo, Anthony Cawley, Anton Sylvester



**Deceased:** Frances Clare

**Anniversaries:** Anthony Clare, Kishor Govind

*We keep in mind and our prayers those who have died and those who grieve.*

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

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### Rosters for weekend 20/21 February

	6.00pm	9.00am
Proclaimer 1	Brenda Byrne	Bev Ellis
Proclaimer 2	Mary Kralj	Angeline D'Cruz
Welcomer	Christine Challis	Juliet Goveas

**Music Roster:**

Projectionist

Ministry

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*Hurry—Closes 19 February*

### PEOPLES CHOICE 2020 LOTTERY

Thank you to all who have purchased lottery tickets this year.

Your money goes to St Luke's and Seaford Catholic Churches to support the wide range of activities we do as a community.



Sale of tickets stops on 19 February so there is still time. Unfortunately we have sold less than previous years.

Tickets can only be bought on line and cost \$2 each or \$20 a book of 10.

Please consider this so we can continue to help our community.

Here's how you do it....

To purchase tickets enter this WEB address:

*Communitylottery.peopleschoice.com.au*

Press **enter**  
Click on: **Peoples Choice 2020 lottery**  
Click on: **BUY TICKETS** (top of page)  
Click on **CHURCH**  
Scroll down to **St Luke's Sharing Through Craft and Click**

Enter the number of tickets you require and click **ADD TO CART**

Tick 'agree' to terms box and click in **CHECK OUT**

Fill in your details and select your pay option.

An email will be sent to you with your tickets

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### WHAT'S ON

Mon	Feb 15	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's
Tues	Feb 16	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Wed	Feb 17	Mass SCC —9.15am 10am— Craft Group Finance Meeting 6.00pm Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	Feb 18	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's 10am—Prayer Meeting 2pm—Benediction
Fri	Feb 19	Rosary St Luke's—9.30am Mass St Luke's—10.00am
Sat	Feb 20	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
Sun	Feb 21	Mass at 9.00am and 5.30pm—St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC

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### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE 2021

#### Pray for Vanuatu

10.00am—Friday 5 March

Church of Christ, Noarlunga Centre

Next to the Police Station

Enquiries: Noela Beenham -0413 197 794

Morning Tea will be supplied.

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### PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Sacramental Program will commence at St Lukes on Wednesday 5 May from 6.00pm—8.00pm

For further information please contact

Joanna 0413 219 590

Parish Office 8382 1717

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"Introducing Saint Luke's Evangelists. Over the past weekend, the youth of Saint Luke's Parish went away on a retreat in order to form themselves as leaders. They focused on Leadership, Teamwork and Discipleship. With great help from experienced talk givers and activities, it was a very successful weekend!"

## COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(Current for 23/24 January)

- Attendees at Mass must maintain social distancing of 1:2 sqm.
- Funerals are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- Weddings are capped at 200 people, whilst maintaining 1:2 sqm.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided.
- Except for families and household groups, people should socially distance. There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log - both located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.
- Offertory procession will be omitted. Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- All surfaces should be cleaned at least daily, with special attention given to frequently touched surfaces.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- Care should be taken at the dismissal and on leaving the church to minimise social contact.
- The obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

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## EXPLORING THE WORD

This is yet another confrontation between Jesus and evil. In recent gospels, we have seen Jesus overcome possessing demons, sickness and social taboos; many of the themes merge in this text.

The leper takes an audacious step in approaching Jesus, defying all the rules and conventions of his society. Despite his exclusion and isolation, he has not lost hope. Jesus reacts in exactly the opposite way from that which may be expected. He is moved by pity not revulsion. Instead of sending the man away he responds with immense compassion to the man's courage and faith. He reaches out and touches him. This is not only an act of ritual impurity but of human foolhardiness! Not wanting to be known only as a miracle worker, Jesus orders the leper not to speak of his cure but to undergo the necessary rituals to enable him to re-enter the people of Israel. The priest should be able to recognise that, in the cure of the leper, the prophecy of Isaiah is being fulfilled and the Messiah is among them. The great irony is that by curing the leper and allowing his re-entry into the community, Jesus places himself in a position where he is forced to go out into isolation in places where no-one lived.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- As the first reading suggests, having or being suspected of having leprosy caused a person to live outside the community. They were considered unclean and had to warn of their approach so that they would not contaminate others. While this was a measure to protect the community, it must have been unbearable to live this way, not only sick but totally excluded.
- The very elaborate regulations about leprosy and becoming purified after its cure can be read in Leviticus 13 and 14. Leviticus is one of the first five books of the Hebrew Scriptures known as the

Torah or the Law. They are often referred to as the books of Moses.

- By responding to the leper and touching him, Jesus put himself 'outside the community' and is now forced to 'stay outside in places where nobody lived'.

## BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Mark's Gospel tells us that after this healing, it became difficult for Jesus to travel freely. There are several possible explanations for this. There might have been concern about the repercussions of Jesus' breach of social and religious norms. In touching the man with leprosy, Jesus made himself unclean. Mark's narrative, however, leads to the conclusion that Jesus' movement was hampered by his popularity. Despite his instructions, the cured man spread the word about Jesus' healing power. Even when Jesus was in deserted places, people sought him out in search of his healing.

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## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(15 - 21 February)

- **Monday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 ( Gen 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13)
- **Tuesday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 6 ( Gen 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21)
- **Wednesday, 17:** ASH WEDNESDAY (Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20 - 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)
- **Thursday, 18:** Thursday after Ash Wednesday (Deut 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25)
- **Friday, 19:** Friday after Ash Wednesday (Is 58:1-9; Mt 9:14-15)
- **Saturday, 20:** Saturday after Ash Wednesday ( Is 58:9-14; Lk 5:27-32 )
- **Sunday 21:** FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (Gen 9:8-15; 1 Pet 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15)

## PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).