



Welcome to

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - 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)

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

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

• SEAFORD

Sr Bernie 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

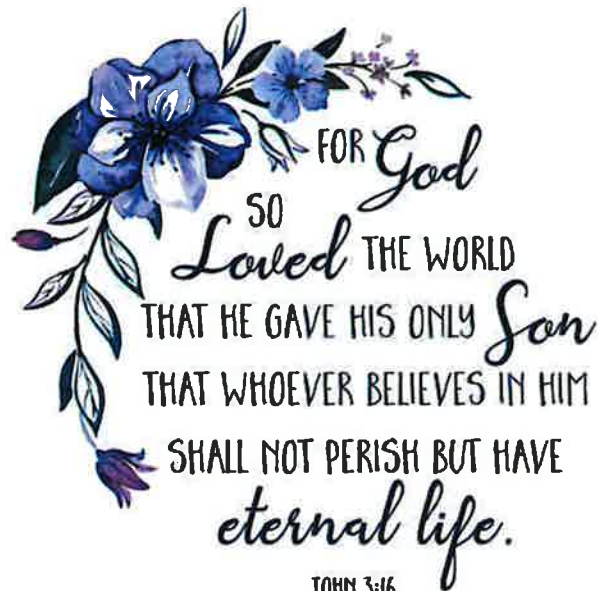
9.00am - St Luke's, Noarlunga

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

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.' And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord

that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "the Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 136

*Let my tongue be silenced,
if I ever forget you!*

SECOND READING

Ephesians 2:4-10

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that

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

SOLEMNITIES IN MARCH

St Patrick, Patron Saint of Australian Catholics
Monday, 18 March
Mass at 9:00am and 7:30pm
- St Luke's

St Joseph, Spouse of Mary
Tuesday, 19 March
Mass at 9:00am and 7:30pm
- St Luke's



There will be a 7:00pm Mass followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm every Friday during



We welcome to our faith community:

Anastasia Turner, daughter of Bethany Cox, who will be baptised on Sunday, 10 March.

We wish her and her family God's richest blessings.

Church Cleaning

For weekend 16/17 March
Cleaning: Thomas Family
Vacuuming: Nick Fernandes

Finances : February

For weekend 2/3 March
1st Collection \$1,067.00
Support for Archdiocesan Priests
2nd Collection \$342.00 (25 envelopes)
Open Plate \$691.00

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:

2024 Upcoming Courses
2024 Charis SA Services

Roster for weekend 16/17 March

	St Luke's 6:00pm	St Luke's 9:00am	St Luke's 5:30pm	SCC 10:45am
C	Fr Josy	Fr Dominick	Fr Josy	Fr Tom
P1	Tinna Buenviaje	Soraya Ramirez	Dave van Heerde	Chris Lazell
P2	Mel Buenviaje	Salvador Vega	Yvonne Bennett	Reggie Rupinkas
W	Paul Rijken	Espi Tilbrook	Theresa Tanti	Jan Hicks
HC	Christine Jones	Danielle Greig	Gabrielle Byrne	TBC
	Denis Jones	Angeline D'Cruz	Wade Champion	
Children's Liturgy		Maria and Thomas		Dolores McCluskey
Music	6:00pm	9:00am	5:30pm	10:45am



Fourth Sunday of Lent: 9/10 March

Memory is 26 years old and lives in rural Malawi. As the eldest child in a low-income farming family, Memory had to take on many household chores and farming activities to support her parents. They struggled to pay for Memory's school fees and school supplies, and Memory often had to walk to school barefooted.

With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi (CADECOM), Memory was able to enrol at a technical college where she learnt technical skills in carpentry. She undertook a three-year carpentry course, with CADECOM supporting part of her tuition and boarding fees.

Memory became the first female carpenter from her village. Today, she works as a carpenter at one of Malawi's largest hydroelectric power stations. With the income from her job, she can provide financial support to her family and inspire other young women in her community so that they may have the opportunity to succeed in a male-dominated industry.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *for all future generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Easter Mass Times

Holy Thursday		
St Luke's	7:30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday		
St Luke's	10:00am	Stations of the Cross
SCC	9:00am	Ecumenical Service
St Luke's	3:00pm	Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
Holy Saturday		
St Luke's	7:30pm	Vigil Mass
Easter Sunday		
St Luke's	9:00am	Mass
SCC	10:45am	Mass

Pray for the healing of: Neville and Heather D’Cruz, William Tanti, Gentile Monardo, Terry Cahalan, Cate Lavelle, Shelley Heard, Astrid Houareau

Deceased: Cherie Morrison, Joan Larssen

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



Second Rite of Reconciliation
Tuesday, 12 March at 7:30pm
St Luke’s



Marian Procession

Each year, the Archdiocese hosts the annual Marian Procession in honour of Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church. This year, we celebrate it 75th Anniversary.

I am simply asking all Parishes, Communities and Schools to place this date in your calendars with further details to follow.

I appreciate and thank you for your support and participation in the event.

- Patrick O’Regan
Archbishop of Adelaide

 **Palms Australia**

63 years preparing Australians for enduring global relationships to build sustainable, self-reliant, community development

Communities in Africa, Asia, Australia and the Pacific are looking for qualified and experienced Australians from ALL sectors to share their skills with those who have had little opportunity for formal training. You too will learn and grow within a most welcoming community. Experience the joy as you assist to change lives.

Learn Even More: Join our two-week tour to Timor-Leste on 06/05/2024 to see Palms program participants our local partner communities in action together.

Father Josy is inviting children of the parish who would like to be

Baptised

the opportunity to be baptised on Pentecost Sunday
SUNDAY MAY 19 9AM
at ST LUKE’S

Please contact Gabrielle at the church office if you would like to take up this opportunity.



CHILD PROTECTION

Children have the right to think and believe what they want and to practice their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights. Parents should guide their children on this matters.



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

NEXT MASS WILL BE 7 APRIL.

WHAT’S ON

Mon 11 March	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke’s
Tues 12 March	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke’s Reconciliation at 7:30pm
Wed 13 March	Mass at 9:15am - SCC Craft Group at 10:00am Mass at 7:30pm - St Luke’s
Thurs 14 March	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke’s Prayer Meeting at 10:00am - St Luke’s Benediction at 10:30am Rosary at 6:45pm - St Luke’s RCIA at 7:00pm
Fri 15 March	Rosary at 9:30am - St Luke’s Mass 10.00am -St Luke’s Mass at 7:00pm followed by Stations of the Cross - St Luke’s
Sat 16 March	Reconciliation at 9:00am -St Luke’s Mass at 6:00pm - St Luke’s
Sun 17 March	5 th Sunday of Lent Year B Mass at 9:00am - St Luke’s Mass at 10:45am - SCC Baptism at 12:30pm - St Luke’s Mass at 5:30pm - St Luke’s

Seaford News:

SCC ECUMENICAL LENT REFLECTION PROGRAM

Two opportunities for coming together ecumenically in prayer and reflection on our response to God’s gift of life during Lent.

Ecumenical Lent Reflection Group every Wednesday at 10:30am.

Ecumenical Stations of the Cross each Friday at 11:30am

Good Friday Service– The Last Words of Jesus
All are invited to an Ecumenical Service of readings, reflection, prayer and song based on the words of Jesus as he hung, dying on the cross. Commencing at 9.00am

- Sr Bernardina Sontrop SGS

Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to help set up on the following dates:

Palm Sunday - 23 March, from 9:30am

Holy Thursday - Thursday, 28 March from 10:30am and again at 11:00pm

Holy Saturday - Saturday, 30 March from 10:00am

MEN’S BREAKFAST

Will be on Saturday, 23 March.
All are welcome.



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.

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BAPTISM of INFANTS

Phone 8382 1717

**SACRAMENT of
RECONCILIATION**

Each Saturday 9.00am - 9.30am
or by appointment

PASTORAL CO-ORDINATOR

Gabrielle Byrne

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Email: gabrielle1956.gb@gmail.com

CHILD PROTECTION

We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, well-being and protection of children and young people.

Contact - Gabrielle Byrne

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Email: gabrielle1956.gb@gmail.com

Child Protection Unit: 8210 8159

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Chairperson - Paul Rijken

PARISH LITURGY GROUP

Chairperson - Margaret Burns

**PARISH SCHOOLS and
COLLEGES**

- St John the Apostle (8382 2064)
Principal - Leanne Johansen
- All Saints (8327 0020)
Principal - Nick Wright
- Cardijn College (8392 9500)
Principal - Steve Byrne
Heads of Campus
Marian - Wade Champion
Galilee - Kerri Gould (8557 9000)
Marcellin - Gianni Petrucci

PROJECT COMPASSION

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you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit.

We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he has meant us to live it.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 3:16

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

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GOSPEL

John 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son. On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

COMING TO THE LIGHT

(John 3: 14 - 21)

What does it mean to come to the light? It starts with honesty, primarily about ourselves. We have to lay down our defences and rationalisations, "our side of the story," and confess ourselves in good old-fashioned Catholic tradition, telling the truth about who we are. It involves

admitting we're afraid of our darkness, ashamed of some of our choices, knowing we can be petty and self-serving. We may be unwilling to love our enemies or to forgive those who injure us. Our compassion is undersized, and we shrink from self-sacrifice above all. We don't like risking our comfort and security; most acts of goodness, we know, require that.

We prefer the darkness to the light. In darkness, we can pretend we're better people. We can feel better about ourselves without having to change. But once we come into the light, things have to change. WE must change. The good news is, Jesus makes such change possible, even desirable. We become who we've longed to be. And God so loved the world, just for this.

KIDS' CORNER

Have you ever compared brand-new white socks with your old white socks? The old ones might be dingy, more grey than white. In fact, maybe you forgot how white socks could be until you saw those new ones. It's sort of the same thing with sin. Sometimes we don't notice how we slip into the bad habits that can lead to sin. It can happen a little at a time, so slowly that we don't notice until it feels like it's too late. But it's never too late. We can always come to God and ask God's forgiveness, especially in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. God will forgive us, so we'll be good as new.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(11 - 17 March)

- **Monday, 11:** Monday of 4th week of Lent (Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54)
- **Tuesday, 12:** Tuesday of 4th of Lent (Ezek 37:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-3, 5-16)
- **Wednesday, 13:** Wednesday of 4th week of Lent (Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30)
- **Thursday, 14:** Thursday of 4th week of Lent (Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47)
- **Friday, 15:** Friday of 4th week of Lent (Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30)
- **Saturday, 16:** Saturday of 4th Sunday of Lent (Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-52)
- **Sunday 17:** FIFTH SUNDAY of LENT (Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33)

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.