



Welcome to

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C

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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

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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)

• ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr Dominick Okwadha (8382 1717; 0421 074 212; okwadha@yahoo.com)

• PARISH MANAGER/ NEWSLETTER

Mrs Toni Fishlock - 0417 801 241; fishlock11@tpg.com.au

(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

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Taking Abram outside, the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 26: 7-9, 13-14

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:17-4:1

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

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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

Pastoral Coordinator:

Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579

Child Safe Contact Person:

Nicoline Henderson

0404 297 930

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 - Mrs Liz Keogh

Cardijn College 8392 9500

Principal - Dr P Rijken

Heads of Campus:

Cardijn College—Ms Danielle Greig

Galilee—Mr Nick Wright 8557 9000

Marcellin—Mr Gianni Petrucci

Church Cleaning

19/20 March:

Cleaning: Lyn Finkers

Vacuuming: Bill Aldridge

Finances 5/6 March

1st Collection \$705

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$414 (27 envelopes)

Open Plate \$554

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 any emergencies please contact

Fr Josy on 0452 524 169 or

Toni Fishlock on 0417 801 241.

Noticeboard:

Mar 17 Charismatic Mass

Mar 20 Yearning to Belong

St Joseph's Willunga

IMPORTANT COVID RULES ARE TO BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED.

These rules are listed on the back of this Newsletter.

Second Sunday of Lent 12 & 13 March



Biru 30, lives in a rural village in Jharkand State in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child, which makes it difficult for him to walk. With your generous support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods development program, run by Caritas Australia's partner, Caritas India. He gained the skills, support and encouragement he needed to establish his own bicycle repair business.

Now, Biru is able to provide a good life for his family – and an essential service to his community. He has discovered a sense of pride, confidence and hope which has inspired others living with a disability and paved the way *For All Future Generations*.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future for all.



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 lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

EMERGENCY FLOOD APPEALS

In recent weeks, heavy rain has submerged some part of New South Wales and Queensland affecting many people and families. You may personally know people who have been affected.

The Appeals available are:

The Diocese of Lismore has launched its 2022 Flood Appeal for people who would like to donate in support of Northern NSW. Details can be found on the Catholic Diocese of Lismore website: lismorediocese.org

The St Vincent de Paul Society has launched Emergency Flood Appeals for those affected so they can begin to assist with immediate needs. Details of this Appeal can be found here: Flood appeal - St Vincent de Paul Society - Good Works (vinnies.org.au)

We continue to offer our prayers and support for those affected by this situation.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA
EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9.00AM TO 12.30PM**

Pray for the healing of: Angela Young, Cherie Morrison, David Healey, Helen Byrne, Philip Peppin, Margaret Mottram, Joe Busuttill, Ivor Thomson, Ian Hamilton, Lucas Reekes-Parsons, William Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Gentile Monardo, Pauline Wheeldon



Deceased: Constantina Pace

Anniversaries: Isabelita Laureano

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).

Rosters for weekend 19/20 March

	6.00pm	9.00am
Proclaimer 1	Christine Jones	Maria Nolan
Proclaimer 2	Denis Jones	Gabby Connelly
Welcomer	Paul Knobloch	Mary Barrow

RCIA

Please pray for the RCIA candidates as they complete their journey into full initiation in our faith at Easter

YEARNING TO BELONG

Contemplative Living Community Day of Reflection 2022

Sunday 20 March

St Joseph's Parish Church and Hall
12 St Jude St
Willunga

Eucharist	8.30am
Morning Tea	9.30am
Start	10.00am
3.30pm	Finish the Day

Please bring masks and some food to share for lunch.

Tea and coffee supplied.

Any queries please contact: Anne Weygood 0429653844

BOTTLES & CANS COLLECTION

Thank you to parishioners who donated their bottles and cans and to the men who organize this collection. An amount of \$271.80 has been donated to the parish.



**Stations of Cross
every Friday during Lent
at 7.00pm**

WHAT'S ON

Mon	Mar 14	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Tues	Mar 15	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's Liturgy at St John's—10am
Wed	Mar 16	Mass SCC—9.15am St Luke's Craft Group 10.00am Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	Mar 17	St Patrick's Day Mass St Luke's—9am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament Prayer Meeting 10am Benediction 12.30pm Rosary St Luke's—6.45pm
Fri	Mar 18	Rosary St Luke's—9.30am Mass St Luke's—10.00am
Sat	Mar 19	Feast of St Joseph Reconciliation St Luke's—9.00am Mass at St Luke's—6.00pm
Sun	Mar 20	Third Sunday of Lent Mass at 9.00am & 5.30pm —St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC



CARITAS AUSTRALIA UKRAINE APPEAL

The war in Ukraine is an escalating humanitarian crisis. In a matter of days, over a million people have been forced from their homes and at least 400 civilians have lost their lives. Many are seeking refuge in Poland and surrounding countries. Long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground, supporting people in need during this humanitarian crisis. Your urgent support today will help provide critical assistance including emergency shelter, food, clean water, transportation services and psychological support to people affected by this crisis. Donate today at www.caritas.org.au/ukraine or call 1800 024 413 toll free.

WELCOME BACK

FR JOSY

**who has now returned from his
holiday in India**



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 8/3/22)

- Places of Worship are restricted to 3:4 sqm with social distancing of 1.5ms. A change in wording means that a wedding and funeral (previously viewed as a private activity) is taken to mean a defined public activity (in our circumstance a ceremony: religious/faith-based ceremony) and the 3:4sqm applies.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (An official medical certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Social distancing is mandatory - DO NOT CONGREGATE at entry/exit and outside. No communal gathering after Mass.
- 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 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.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- The Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccination for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage. You may wish to access:
[Mass for You at Home – The official website of Mass For You At Home, Australia](#) online and on Channel 10 every Sunday at 6 am.

COVIDSAFE
Let's continue to be a church

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

Luke 9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

STARS IN THE NIGHT SKY

Those of us who live in the big city miss a whole lot when it comes to the beauty of nature that is all around us. On my first time being out in the country, on a boat in the middle of a calm lake late at night, I remember looking up. I had never seen so many stars before in my life. The city lights always made the sky a poor backdrop. Now an August meteor filled the sky with what I believed were hundreds of "falling" stars. That was a truly religious experience that has stayed with me. Decades later, when I look up at the night sky, no matter where I might be, I don't see it in the way I used to before that night in the country.

Lent has begun. There is no more opportune time to get away from the

bright lights that entice us but also ultimately blind us to God's presence all around us. Like the disciples in the gospel, we need to use Lent to get away, go up the mountain, see the stars in the night sky, and find who Jesus really is or needs to be in our lives.

The moment Jesus was transfigured before the disciples their lives were changed. They, too, became transfigured. Never again would they look at their friend, their teacher, their Messiah in the same way. That moment made them different forever.

What do we need to change us, to make us different, to help us see the presence of Jesus with the clear eyes of faith? Lent can lead us to the answer.

The Commissioning: Take with you what you need for your Lenten journey: determination to walk the hard road that Jesus walked, joy that you have friends from this community with you, peace and prayer in meditation, resources in the Bible and on the internet to guide and challenge you, memories of the good people who have been on journey before you. We have what we need for our Lenten journey, and we rejoice that God goes with us. God's love surrounds you and will never let you go. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(14 - 20 March)

- **Monday, 14:** Monday, 2nd week Lent (Dan 9:4-10; Lk 6:36-38)
- **Tuesday, 15:** Tuesday, 2nd week Lent (Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12)
- **Wednesday, 16:** Wednesday, 2nd week Lent (Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28)
- **Thursday, 17:** St Patrick (Jer 1:4-9; Acts 13:46-49; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20:)
- **Friday, 18:** Friday, 2nd week Lent (Gen 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46)
- **Saturday, 19:** ST JOSEPH, spouse of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (2Sam 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24:)
- **Sunday, 20:** THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT (Ex 3:1-8, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9)

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.