



Welcome to

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

FIFTH 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

Web: www.noarlunga-seafordparish.org.au

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

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea, a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in the field and a powerful army which lay there never to rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick:

No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a

road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds.

The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 125

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:8-14

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the



way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Joel 2:12-13

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and compassionate.

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GOSPEL

John 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught

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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

9 April:

Cleaning: Sally Stanfield

Vacuuming: Loy Goveas

Finances 26/27 March

1st Collection \$563

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$479 (30 envelopes)

Open Plate \$421

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:

Apr 21 Charismatic Mass

Dinner will be
available after the
5.30pm Mass on
Sunday 10 April.



IMPORTANT COVID RULES ARE TO BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED.

These rules are listed on the back of this Newsletter.



Fifth Sunday of Lent 2 & 3 April



Shaniella 23, grew up in a remote village in the Solomon Islands in a province which has limited educational and job opportunities – and one of the country's highest poverty rates. After leaving school, she decided to move closer to the capital city, Honiara, to study hospitality and tourism. However, her vocational training school was hit by a landslide and cyclone in quick succession, destroying its water supply system and the vegetable garden that it relies on for food.

With your generous support, Caritas Australia has helped the school to install water tanks, re-establish its garden and provided training in disaster risk reduction. Shaniella can now complete her job skills training and the school has enough food and water for its students.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 so this transformational program can continue to empower and strengthen vulnerable communities *For All Future Generations.*



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.

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.

RCIA

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

**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, Jack and Pat Vaughan, Catherine Kelley



Deceased:

Anniversaries:

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 12/13 April

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

NCLS –NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY

This was undertaken in our parish last November/ December. Out of 320 surveys only 58 were completed and returned. The results of this survey will be posted when completed by the research team.

Thank you to all who participated. *Gabrielle Byrne*

SEAFORD CHRISTIAN CHURCHES

PALM SUNDAY

10.45am, Sunday April 10th.

Blessing of Palms and procession followed by Mass.

HOLY THURSDAY

7.00pm Thursday 14th April

Ecumenical liturgy of the word and washing of the feet followed by Communion in our own Catholic tradition.

GOOD FRIDAY

9.00 am Friday 15th April

Ecumenical Way of the Cross.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 12 April

8.00am

Gold coin donation

All welcome

Readers and Welcomers
please collect your roster from the
Information Desk

WHAT'S ON

- Mon April 4 Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
- Tues April 5 Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
St John's Liturgy—10.00am
Reconciliation at St Luke's-7.30pm
- Wed April 6 Mass SCC—9.15am
St Luke's Craft Group 10.00am
Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
- Thurs April 7 Mass St Luke's—9am
Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
Prayer Meeting 10am
Benediction 12.30pm
Rosary St Luke's—6.45pm
- Fri April 8 Rosary St Luke's—9.30am
Mass St Luke's—10.00am
Youth Meeting—6.00pm
Stations of Cross—7.00pm—St Luke's
- Sat April 9 Men's Breakfast—8.00am
Reconciliation St Luke's—9.00am
Mass at St Luke's—6.00pm
- Sun April 10 Sixth Sunday of Lent
Mass at 9.00am & 5.30pm —St Luke's
Mass at 10.45am—SCC

EASTER ARRANGEMENTS

- Easter service times are available on the Information Desk. Please take a few copies for those you may visit and pop in your neighbour's letterbox. Times are also available on the noticeboard and on our website.
- There will not be 9am Mass or Adoration on Holy Thursday.
- The Church will be open until 10.30pm on Holy Thursday night.
- There will not be Sunday night Mass on Easter Sunday.

HOME VISITS

Do you know of someone in the Parish who is housebound or sick who would like to receive Communion or a blessing from a priest?

For Covid sufferers Communion can be left on the doorstep in a pic.

If so could you please give their details to the Parish Office on 8382 1717 so a visit can be arranged.



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

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 29/3/22)

- As of March 12 there are no density limits for places of worship. Churches may return to full capacity.
- 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.
- Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.
- 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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committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and don't sin any more.'

THE HIGH PRIVILEGE

What really happened to this woman? A group of men, scribes and Pharisees, bring a woman to Jesus. They claim to have caught the woman in the act of committing adultery. The accusation of adultery puts the woman at fault in the relationship – and at risk of being killed as punishment. The scribes and Pharisees push Jesus to agree with them: this woman should be stoned.

But what about the woman's point of view? We do not get the chance to hear the woman's version of what happened. She's gone down in biblical history as "the woman caught in adultery" – but what if another sin took place? What if the woman was actually the survivor of sexual harassment or abuse? What if the sinful actions were not committed by her, but by the other person – the man – caught in the act?

As is often the case in such

situations, the public will never know exactly what happened. Most abuse happens behind closed doors. Jesus knows there is more to the story. He does not immediately side with the men in power. Jesus recognises the dignity of this woman and does not condemn her. May we, too, not be so quick to condemn – and instead, be quick to listen.

Think of a person in your acquaintance or in the media whom you've judged harshly. What does your condemnation of that person teach you about the state of your own heart?

Take some time to do a thorough examination of conscience. Make a list of things you want to change about yourself. Spend some time in prayer, thanking God for the call to go higher.

I didn't want some petty, inferior brand of righteousness that comes from keeping a list of rules when I could get the robust kind that comes from trusting Christ – God's righteousness. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(08 - 14 April)

- **Monday, 08:** Mon, 5th week Lent (Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:1-11)
- **Tuesday, 09:** Tuesday, 5th week Lent (Num 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30)
- **Wednesday, 10:** Wed, 5th week Lent (Dan 3:14-20, 24-25, 28; Jn 8:31-42)
- **Thursday, 11:** Thursday, 5th week Lent (Gen 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59)
- **Friday, 12:** Friday, 5th week Lent (Jer 20:10-13; Jn 31-42)
- **Saturday, 13:** Saturday 5th week Lent (Ezek 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56)
- **Sunday, 14:** PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD (Entrance: Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14-23:56)

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.