



Welcome to

# Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

**PENTECOST SUNDAY - YEAR A**

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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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Web: [www.noarlunga-seafordparish.org.au](http://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**

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#### **• 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 – 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 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sun - St Luke's: Spanish

2.00pm - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun - St Luke's: Filipino

5.30pm - St Luke's: Youth Mass



#### **FIRST READING Acts 2:1-11**

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34*

*Lord, send out your Spirit,  
and renew the face of the earth.*

#### **SECOND READING**

*1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13*

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.*

*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 Coordinator:**

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**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 — Ms Danielle Greig

Galilee—Ms Kerri Gould 8557 9000

Marcellin— Mr Gianni Petr

**Church Cleaning**

**3 June**

Cleaning: Sally Stanfield

Vacuuming: Denise Bachmann

**Finances 20/21 May:**

1st Collection \$ 762

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$ 367 ( 28 envelopes)

Open Plate \$560

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:

April-July Centacare Family Courses

2023 Upcoming Courses

2023/24 Magi Pilgrimages

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

#### MONTH OF MARY—MAY DEVOTIONS



**Every Saturday** in May rosary will be recited at 5.30pm conducted by one of the Parish Groups, followed by evening Mass at 6.00pm

**Wednesday 31 May**—The Feast of Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary Mass will be at 7.30pm followed by a Marian procession and concluding with supper. (Pizza/soft drink/ coffee, tea and chocolates for children)

#### LADIES COFFEE & CAKE MORNING

**Friday 2 June at 10.30am**

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Friday of the month at St Luke's  
after 10am Mass

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**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, Catherine Kelley, William Tanti, Gentile Monardo, Joan Lavender, Astrid Houareau, Alison Pyne, Mark Malagoski, Pat & Jack Vaughan, Veronica Anderson, Raymond Peppin, Cate Lavelle, Mandy Ganzevoort, Harry Borg, Norleen Zarah, Connie Anderson, Gerry Rice, David Healey, Jo Eykelkamp



**Deceased:**

**Anniversaries:** Carlo Robusti, Patricia Paslevicius

*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 3/4 June**

	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>
P1	Annabelle F	St John's	Thomas Harry
P2	Dave van Heerde	St John's	Paul Knobloch
W	Christine Challis	St John's	Maria Thomas
HC.	Pat Harrington Dave van Heerde	Maria Nolan Charl AbdElmalk	Maria Thomas Paul Knobloch

Music: Sandiwa

**Congratulations to**



*Archie Vane*

son of Natasha and Michael

*Micah and River Vakulin*

Children of Artem and Mel

*Evie Clark*

daughter of Jonathon and Alynda

*Talia Buchan*

daughter of Daniel and Justine

*Jack Rogers*

son of Michael and Ann-Marie

*Jonah and Owen Collins*

children of Simon and Helen

*Marley and Daisy Burton*

children of Darren and Kylie



*Who are being baptised into our faith community this weekend*

*We wish them and their families God's richest blessings*

**ST VINCENT de PAUL—Winter Appeal**

Supporting struggling South Australian families and individuals with food, clothing, shelter and financial assistance.

Envelopes are available on the information desk.

**WHAT'S ON**

Mon	29 May	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Tues	30 May	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Wed	31 May	Mass at SCC—9.15am Craft Group St Luke's—10.00am St Johns Mass—12noon Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	1 June	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's Prayer Meeting—10.00am Benediction at 12.30pm Rosary at 6.45pm—St Luke's
Fri	2 June	Rosary at 9.30am—St Luke's Mass 10.00am—St Luke's
Sat	3 June	Reconciliation at 9.00am—St Luke's Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
Sun	4 June	Pentecost Sunday Mass at 9.00am – St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC Mass at 5.30pm - St Luke's

**PILGRIMAGE OF THANKSGIVING**

The Knights of the Southern Cross in South Australia are completing their centenary celebrations with a Pilgrimage of Thanksgiving of the MacKillop Cross.

It is their intention to display the cross at St Luke's on Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 June.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**

There will be an information session for all parents of the children who will undertake the Sacramental Program in 2023.

This meeting will be held in St Luke's on Wednesday 7 June—6-7pm.

For further information please contact Gabrielle 0422 804 579



**Cleaners are urgently needed at St Luke's for Church cleaning. If you are able to help please contact Parish Office on 8382 1717**

**COUNT OF MASS ATTENDANCE**

During May the Archdiocese of Adelaide will be conducting a count of attendance (divided into age groups and gender) at all Masses commencing on the weekend of 6/7 May. Forms will be at the Church entrance to record numbers. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 26/05/23)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact

### EXPLORING THE WORD

Despite the promise of Jesus that he would not leave his disciples 'orphaned' (see Sixth Sunday of Easter), after his death, they huddle in fear in the upper room. He comes among them, not offering recriminations at their lack of faith, but offering peace – a peace won through the cross and resurrection. Just as Jesus is transformed by this experience, so too, the disciples' fear turns to joy. In the giving of his Spirit, Jesus literally breathes life back into the disciples. They are to go out and continue his work of forgiveness, judgement and witness in the world.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Pentecost was originally a Jewish harvest festival which was celebrated fifty days after the Passover. It was one of the great 'pilgrimage' festivals which meant that people came to celebrate this feast at the Temple. It was for this festival that so many pilgrims were present in Jerusalem on the day when the Spirit was manifested in the lives of the disciples.

### WORDS OF WISDOM

*'If we let Christ into our lives, we lose nothing, nothing, absolutely nothing of what makes life free, beautiful and great. No! Only in this friendship are the doors of life opened wide. Only in this friendship is the great potential of human existence truly revealed.'*

*Pope Benedict on friendship*

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## GOSPEL

**John 20:19-23**

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

## THE MIRACLE OF LANGUAGE

(John 20: 19 - 23)

God created the world with a word, Scripture tells us. God spoke the word BE, and all that is came into being. In the same way, God spoke divinity into human form when Jesus the Word "became flesh and dwelt among us". Finally, the Spirit of Holiness becomes available to us when Jesus breathes the simple words, "Receive the Holy Spirit".

The gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit are defined by lists of words that school children memorise, but behind those words are powerful realities. Invoking the Spirit of joy, peace, patience, and love will create quite a different world than the one invoked by anger, bitterness, and indifference. Lives are bound together or drawn apart by words spoken or withheld. Stewardship over the power of words is a holy reality.

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## KEEP THE FIRES BURNING

About five years ago a suburban Melbourne parish began marking the Solemnity of Pentecost by keeping a fire burning at the door of the church through the night. Parishioners take turns until dawn, a powerful sign to the community that the spirit lives – not safely confined and contained in a building – but in and among us.

"Keeping the fire" was important to our human ancestors. Without matches,

without a way to start a fire in damp conditions, the flame had to be guarded so that the community would not fall victim to night predators or be left in the cold dark.

Fascinating in itself, fire has come to symbolise the holy. Imagine the bush afire before Moses. In the story of the Christian church, "tongues as of fire" stand for the person of the Holy Spirit: neither visible nor touchable but powerful as fire.

As the long seasons of Lent and Easter come to a close, we teeter on the border of "Ordinary Time," witnesses to the Spirit before the world's darkness. Keep the flame alive! Tend the fire: Use your gifts, ordinary as they may seem. And let it tend you: Give thanks for the fire, the very spirit and breath of God abiding within.

## KIDS' CORNER

Today's feast of Pentecost is often called the birthday of the church. And what's a birthday celebration without gifts? God has given you many gifts. Some are meant to help you serve God and others. You might be good at putting things together. Maybe you're a great listener. Maybe you notice when others need help. Whatever you can do, do it to serve the Lord. If you see that your skills are needed, be ready to offer what you have with a happy heart. Don't worry about the things you can't do. Just use the gifts God gave you!

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(29 May - 4 June)

- **Monday, 29:** The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Gen 3:9-15, 20; Jn 19:25-34)
- **Tuesday, 30:** Weekday, Ord Time 8 (Sirach 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31)
- **Wednesday, 31:** The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Zeph 3:14-18; Lk 1:39-56)
- **Thursday, 01:** St Justin (Sirach 42:15-25; Mk 10:46-52)
- **Friday, 02:** Weekday, Ord Time 8 (Sirach 44:1, 9-13; Mk 11:11-26)
- **Saturday, 03:** Sts Charles Lwanga (Sirach 51:12-20; Mk 11:27-33 )
- **Sunday 04:** The Most Holy TRINITY (Ex 34:4-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18)

## 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.