



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)

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 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

Fr Josy Sebastian (8382 1717;  
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[jponnambal@gmail.com](mailto:jponnambal@gmail.com))

### • ASSISTANT PRIESTS

Fr Prathap Katta  
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### • PARISH MANAGER/ NEWSLETTER

Mrs Toni Fishlock - 0417 801 241;  
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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

### • 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

*Ezekiel 17:22-24*

The Lord says this: 'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar.

Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 91:2-3, 13-16*

*Lord it is good to give thanks to you.*

## SECOND READING

*2 Corinthians 5:6-10*

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and

not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*The seed is the word of God,*

*Christ is the sower;*

*all who come to him will live forever.*

*Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*Mark 4:26-34*

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know.

Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the  
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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

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 19/20 June

Cleaning: Pat Harrington &  
Jane Van Vliet

Vacuuuming: Denise Bachman

**Finances 05/06 June**

1st Collection \$751

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$435 (31 envelopes)

Open Plate \$704

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:**

17 June Charismatic Mass

3rd July Faith on Fire Seminar

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH SA GOVERNMENT COVID RULES**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Due to numbers attending Masses at St Luke's (less than 75% capacity)  
masks are not required, but social distancing is recommended.**

**\*\*However if members of the congregation would like to sing it is a  
requirement that they wear a mask.\*\***

**You must still record your name and phone number in the book provided  
in the foyer OR use the QR code.**

**More details are on Page 4 of this Newsletter.**

### Redeem your vouchers

A suggestion has been put forward that we redeem our free vouchers from  
Coles, Foodland, etc for pans, glasses anything else they are promoting.  
Unwanted items then can be passed on to Vinnies or Refugees groups. Items  
can be left at the church and Seaford parishioners can give them to the  
celebrant to take to St Luke's, where they will be collected.

Thank you.

Christine McWilliams

### With Grateful Thanks

For the last four months you may have noticed Cherie Morrison's name in the  
"Pray For Healing" list in this bulletin. Cherie is my niece, the mother of two  
young children, who was diagnosed with advance metastatic breast cancer with  
tumours not only in her breasts but in her liver, sternum and neck. She began a  
very high powered treatment with a very new cancer drug in February. Last  
Tuesday Cherie underwent a PET scan and MRI and blood tests to find out if  
the drug is working. We were all over the moon to hear few days ago that  
Cherie's cancer is presently "inactive" and the tumours are all shrinking. We  
know Cherie will never be cured but this wonderful news gives her hope of a  
much longer life expectancy.

Thank you everyone for your prayers and please continue to pray for Cherie  
and her family. I know she has gained such comfort knowing so many people  
are keeping her in their prayers.

Mary Thomson



**To one who has faith, no  
explanation is necessary. To one  
without faith, no explanation is  
possible.**

Thomas Aquinas

BrainyQuote

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

**Pray for the healing of:** William Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Anthony Cawley, Anton Sylvester, Catherine Kelley, Cherie Morrison, Miho Forbes, Pauline Wheeldon, Neville & Heather D’Cruz, Jack Vaughan, Victor Perera, Gentile Monardo, Angela Young



**Deceased:**  
**Anniversaries:** Pat Wood

*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 June**

	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
Proclaimer 1	Denis Jones	Erica Badics
Proclaimer 2	Christine Jones	Mary Barrow
Welcomer	Brenda Byrne	John Van Der Linden
Music Roster:		Folk Group



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We’ve just had our first ‘Watch Together’ and what an exciting night it was to have many more returning faces and even new ones too!

Beginning The Wild Goose series, we explored more about ‘God’s Love Poured Out’ and were reminded of just how unique each and every one of us are.

Thank You all for another incredible night and looking forward to seeing you again soon!

St. Luke’s Evangelists

**\*\*The Reader’s Roster is available for collection\*\***

**WHAT’S ON**

- Mon Jun 14 Mass at 9.00am - St Luke’s
- Tues Jun 15 Mass at 9.00am—St Luke’s  
Mass at 9.15am—St John’s School
- Wed Jun 16 Mass SCC/All Saints —9.15am  
Craft Group St Luke’s—10am  
Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke’s
- Thurs Jun 17 Mass & Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9am  
Prayer Meeting St Luke’s—9.30am  
Benediction St Luke’s—12.30pm  
Rosary St Luke’s—7pm
- Fri Jun 18 Rosary St Luke’s—9.30am  
Mass St Luke’s—10.00am
- Sat Jun 19 Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke’s  
Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke’s
- Sun Jun 20 Mass at 9.00am & 5.30pm —St Luke’s  
Mass at 10.45am—SCC

**Faith on Fire Seminar**



There will be a seminar held at St Peter Claver Church, Dulwich on 3rd July, 2021 from 10.30am—3.30pm. Fr. Selva Raj will be the guest speaker and celebrant.

Details are on the notice board.

**CONFIRMATION**



Archbishop, Patrick O’Regan will celebrate the confirmation of 20 children from St. John’s School and All Saints School, at St. Luke’s Church on 29th June, 2021, at 7.00pm.

Kindly remember these children in your prayers.

**SCC CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

**SCC SEAHAWKS ECUMENICAL YOUTH GROUP**

Friday nights during school term Weeks 1-8, 6.30 - 8.00pm, for young people aged 6-16. For further information contact Daryl 0417 506 390.

## COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(June, 2021)

Different rules apply for Churches with fixed or non-fixed seating. Please check with your Church for details on how seating is handled.

- For fixed seating 100% of available seats may be used, provided 100% of attendees wear masks. If 75% of seats are used, masks are not necessary.
- The non-fixed seating capacity is worked on 3:4sqm. No masks are required for this density. Masks are essential for anything more than the capped density.
- Singing as a congregation may recommence, provided masks are worn.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Social distancing is still recommended.
- 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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full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- Parables are very short stories with a double meaning. They act like metaphors and can be interpreted very broadly. To understand the parables of Jesus we must be attentive to both the literal and metaphorical language used.
- The nearness of the kingdom (or reign) of God is the central plank of the teaching of Jesus in Mark's Gospel.
- The term 'kingdom of God' occurs only in the New Testament but similar expressions are found in the Old Testament. It refers to a time when God's will would be done on Earth.
- Matthew uses the term 'kingdom of heaven' as a way of avoiding the use of the sacred name of God.

### EXPLORING THE WORD

Parables provoke interpretation. They make us wonder what Jesus was referring to and what he really meant. At times, he is quite vague about the real meaning and his disciples are left wondering. Think for example of the parable of the Sower which Jesus must later explain (Mk 4: 13-20). At other

times, like the instances we have in this gospel reading, Jesus is quite explicit: he tells his hearers that he is talking about the kingdom of God. Even so, he must still explain his meaning to the disciples when he is alone with them. Unfortunately, Mark does not report for us what interpretation Jesus places on these parables.

In the Old Testament, the imagery of the reign of God had an apocalyptic dimension; it was to come to fullness at the end times when the wicked would be punished and the faithful vindicated. Only then would there be a new heaven and a new Earth. The message in Mark's Gospel however, is quite different. Jesus proclaims that the kingdom of God has already begun. It is among us now. 'This is the time of fulfilment. The kingdom of God is at hand' (Mk 1:15). Like the seed planted, it takes root and grows mysteriously into something much larger than itself. The kingdom or reign is a gracious gift from God brought near in Christ and demanding a response of faith from those who recognise the truth of his word. The kingdom offers a challenge; like the man who sowed the seed, we must be ready to cooperate in God's work when the harvest time comes.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(14 - 20 June)

- **Monday, 14:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42)
- **Tuesday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48)
- **Wednesday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)
- **Thursday, 17:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15)
- **Friday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23)
- **Saturday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Cor 12:1-10; Mt 6:24-34)
- **Sunday 20:** 12<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Job 38:1, 8-11; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41)

### 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).