Welcome to



Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

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NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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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

Please contact the Parish Office - 8382 1717

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

REGULAR WEEKEND MASSES

- SATURDAY EVENING
 - 6.30pm 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 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said. But his servant replied, "How can I serve this to a hundred men?" "Give it to the people to eat," he insisted, "for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over." He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 144:10-11, 15-18

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 4:1-6

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 6:1-15

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee - or of Tiberias - and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick, Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip. 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat.' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. (Continued page 4)



in AUGUST

St Mary of the Cross Mackillop

Co-patron Saint of Australia Thursday, 8 August

> **Assumption of Mary** Thursday, 15 August



Scam Alert: Phishing Messages and Emails

If you receive a text message or an email from a priest or staff member of the parish asking for money, please delete immediately as it is a scam.

To stay safe, please remain vigilant and follow best practices for online security: check sender's email; be cautious of urgent or threatening messages; avoid clicking or downloading links and verify authenticity.

Church Cleaning

For weekend 3/4 August
Cleaning: Pat Harrington and
Sally Standfield

Vacuuming: Nick Fernandes

Finances: July

For weekend 20/21 July 1st Collection \$596.00 Support for Archdiocesan Priests 2nd Collection \$292.00 (17envelopes) Open Plate \$876.00

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 10 August: Charis SA

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

Roster for weekend 3/4 August				
	St Luke's 6:00pm	St Luke's 9:00am	St Luke's 5:30pm	SCC 10:45am
P	Fr Josy	Fr Josy	Fr Josy	Fr Josy
P1	Dave van Heerde	Children's Mass	Children's Mass	George Family
P2	Christine Challis	Children's Mass	Children's Mass	George Family
W	Annabelle Fernandes	Children's Mass	Children's Mass	Jan Hicks
НС	Kevin Barry	Rhea Thomas	Theresa Tanti	Dolores McCluskey
	Paul Rijken	Raylee Crane	Gabrielle Byrne	
Children's Liturgy				Dolores McCluskey
Music	6:00pm	9:00am	5:30pm	

RCIA: Are you or do you know someone who......

Has expressed an interest in being Catholic? Was baptised Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?



We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth.

You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information, please contact the Parish Office on 8382 1717 or email gabrielle1956.gb@gmail.com

National Vocations Awareness Week

Again this year, throughout the Church in Australia, we celebrate National Vocations Awareness Week from August 3/4 until August 10/11. The theme of the first weekend is that every baptized Christian has a vocation and is called to



holiness of life and to participate in the life and mission of the Church. We acknowledge the calling to Marriage and Family Life, the Single Life and Lay Ministry in the Church. It's on the second weekend that we specify this baptismal call further and celebrate and pray for an increase in the vocations of the Priesthood, Diaconate and the Consecrated Life.

Thank you in advance for your support in promoting this important time of prayer in our Church.

Mass Times for SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY 14/15 August



Vigil Mass - Wednesday, 14 Aug 7:30pm St Luke's - 9:00am Cardijn/St Luke's - 9:00am Galilee - 9:15am All Saints/SCC - 10:00am Cardijn/St Luke's - 11:00am Cardijn/St Luke's - 12:15pm Normanville - 12:15pm Marcellin - 1:15pm St Luke's - 7:30pm Pray for the healing of: Joanna Lavelle, Tom and Mary Worden, Margaret Jack, William Tanti, Gentile Monardo, Catherine Kelley, Anthony Shaw, Greg Cahill, Maresa Sylvester, Jade Robusti, Paul Badics, Neville and Heather D'Cruz, Cate Lavelle, Shelley Heard, Astrid Houareau



Deceased:

Anniversaries:

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

Christian Life Program: A 12-week Journey

The CLP is an integrated course intended to lead the program participants into a renewed understanding of God's call to them as Christian couples or individuals. It runs for a total of 8 separate sessions, usually held once a week. Most sessions consist of three basic ingredients: a teaching, a group discussion, and a time for fellowship. Each session would normally last for about 2.5 to 3 hours.

Venue: Brighton Catholic Parish

24 Strathmore Terrace, Brighton **Day and Time:** Sundays 11:00am - 12:30pm

Free lunch is supplied.

Please contact Michael Schinella on 0437 814 338 for more information.

GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY DAY

The Catholic Church celebrates the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly each year on the Sunday closest to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents. This year it is July 28. Pope Francis has chosen a line from Psalm 71 -- "Do not cast me off in my old age" -- as the theme for this year's celebration.



Dear God, Thank you for the joy that older people bring us. Thank you for their kindness and wisdom; their stories and experience; and for the love they show us. Please look after them and keep them safe. Amen

ONKAPARINGA PRAYER BREAKFAST

Date & Time: Friday, 30 August from 6:45am Where: Serafino Winery, McLaren Vale Guest Speaker: Georgie Thomas, founder of "Mustard Seed Family Project"

For further details: Kevin Barry 8382 3773 kevinjbarry@professionals.com.au

CHILD PROTECTION



Education should develop each child's personality and talents to the full, It should encourage children to respect their parents, their cultures, and other cultures.

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

NEXT MASS WILL BE ON 4 AUGUST.

WHAT'S ON

Mon	29 July	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's		
Tues	30 July	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's		
Wed	31 July	Mass at 9:15am - SCC		
		Craft Group at 10:00am		
		Mass at 7:30pm - St Luke's		
Thurs 1 August		Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's		
		Prayer Meeting at 10:00am		
		Rosary at 6:45pm		
Fri	2 August	Rosary at 9:30am - St Luke's		
		Mass at 10.00am - St Luke's		
Sat	3 August	Reconciliation at 9:00am - St Luke's		
		Baptism at 9:30am - St Luke's		
		Mass at 6:00pm - St Luke's		
Sun	4 August	18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B		
		Children's Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Mass at 10:45am - SCC		
		Spanish Mass at 11:00am - St Luke's		
		Children's Mass at 5:30pm - St Luke's		
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Seaford Christian Churches 611 Grand Boulevard (Corner of Main Street)

SCC NEWS

- The 28th Anniversary of SCC will be celebrated at SCC on 4 August at 10:30am commencing with an Ecumenical Liturgy of the Word and Communion in our own tradition. The Service will be followed by lunch in the Cafe. This will be a 'finger food' event. If you wish to 'bring a plate 'it will be much appreciated. All are invited to join us on this special occasion.
- Ecumenical Prayer Gathering: Pastor Kevin Woods of the Lutheran Community will host this gathering commencing Saturday, 27 July at 10:30am in Inparilla (large worship space) and every 4th Saturday of the month until the end of the year. All are welcome.
- SCC Emergency Food: A BIG Thank you for your generous response.
- TOWN SQUARE CAFE at SCC: open from 10-1pm Tuesday-Friday: coffee, cake & low cost, nutritious meals.

PRAYER GROUP

We'd love for more people to join our Prayer group. At our meetings we praise, and pray to God—and learn about Him. We have different topics every week, sharing faith and life together.

Men are very welcome too.

Meeting Time: Thursdays, 10am -12 noon + lunch

Contacts: Theresa and Angie 8382 7257

Please ring the priests after 9:00pm ONLY in an emergency. Otherwise, ring or text them during office hours or in the daytime.

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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 Phone: 0422 804 579

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 Phone: 0422 804 579

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

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Sea of Galilee is also known as the Sea of Tiberias and as Lake Gennesaret, both of which were sizeable towns on the Lake's western shore.
- Two hundred denarii is a large sum of money. A denarius was a Roman silver coin and one denarius represented a worker's daily wage.

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Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted: So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world 'Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

MANGIA! "EAT UP!"

(John 6: 8-9, 12-13)

A guy I know grew up believing his grandma was with Jesus when he fed the 5,000. He came to that belief because whenever that particular gospel would be read, everyone in the family whispered, "Grandma musta' been there!" And they would laugh.

They all knew that no matter how many people arrived for dinnertime – even unexpectedly – everyone ate and there was always plenty left over. "My family was never rich," my acquaintance said, "especially when my mum was growing up, but they never felt poor, either."

Some people have a sense of abundance, that there's plenty of life to go around and they love to share what they have. Others are Scrooges who hoard everything, worrying that there can never be enough to satisfy. The apostles were skinflints when Jesus asked them to start offering what little they could muster. But then food started showing up, and everyone had plenty.

Some people in the church have those same attitudes about God's grace. They believe that grace is so rare that we have to hoard it and dole it out piecemeal only to the most deserving. But others take their cue from Jesus, who fed the 5,000-plus on a moment's notice: they realise that in God there is no skimping. The God who created the countless stars in the sky and who pours life into all Creation is no miser. Open your heart; there's plenty for all.

NOTHING WILL BE WASTED

One of the disciples – it was Andrew, brother to Simon Peter – said, "There's a little boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But that's a drop in a bucket for a crowd like this." ... When the people had eaten their fill, Jesus said to his disciples, "Gather the leftovers so nothing is wasted." They went to work and filled twelve large baskets with leftovers from the five barley loaves.

It's not a fair comparison, I grant you: but Elisha fed a hundred people with twenty loaves, and Jesus fed 5,000 with five loaves. If you do the math, it explains why people were even more anxious to follow Jesus. Plus, there are the inexplicable twelve baskets left over at the end of the meal that Jesus orchestrated. No wonder they wanted to carry him off and make him king.

But Jesus didn't come to regulate the economy of Israel or to provide welfare-to-work programs. He didn't come to set up a medical clinic or to treat mental illness. Though Jesus does feed some of the hungry and heal some of the sick, by no means did he put an end to suffering in his time or for all time. He left that challenge up to his followers. Jesus simply presents himself as the source of divine abundance and invites us to come to the table and eat. This table's been serving meals for two thousand years, billions have been fed, and there's no end in sight to the feast.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(July 29 - August 04)

- *Monday, 29*: Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus (1 Jn 4:7-16; Jn 11:19-27)
- *Tuesday, 30:* Weekday, Ord Time 17 (Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43)
- *Wednesday, 31:* St Ignatius of Loyola (Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46)
- *Thursday, 01:* St Alphonsus Liguori (Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53)
- *Friday, 02:* Weekday, Ord Time 17 (Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58)
- *Saturday, 03:* St Dominic (Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12)
- *Sunday 04:* 18th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35)

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.