



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)

TWENTY-THIRD 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)

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;
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jponnambal@gmail.com)

• ASSISTANT PRIESTS

Fr Prathap Katta
(8382 1717)

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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 - 1st Sun - St Luke's: Spanish

2.00pm - 2nd Sun - St Luke's: Filipino

5.30pm - St Luke's: Youth Mass



FIRST READING

Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.

Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming, the retribution
of God; he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be
opened, the ears of the deaf
unsealed, then the lame shall leap
like a deer and the tongues of the
dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 145:7-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING

James 2:1-5

My brothers, do not try to combine
faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified
Lord, with the making of
distinctions between classes of
people. Now suppose a man comes
into your synagogue, beautifully
dressed and with a gold ring on,
and at the same time a poor man
comes in, in shabby clothes, and
you take notice of the well-dressed
man, and say, 'Come this way to
the best seats'; then you tell the

poor man, 'Stand over there' or
'You can sit on the floor by my
foot-rest.' Can't you see that you
have used two different standards
in your mind, and turned
yourselves into judges, and corrupt
judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was
those who are poor according to
the world that God chose, to be
rich in faith and to be the heirs to
the kingdom which he promised to
those who love him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Jesus preached the Good News of
the kingdom and healed all who
were sick.*

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre,
Jesus went by way of Sidon towards
the Sea of Galilee, right through the
Decapolis region. And they brought
him a deaf man who had an
impediment in his speech; and they
asked him to lay his hand on him.
He took him aside in private, away
from the crowd, put his fingers into
the man's ears and touched his
tongue with spittle.

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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

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 11/12:

Cleaning: Lyn Finkers

Vacuuming: Loy Goveas

Finances 28/29 Aug

1st Collection \$619

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$381 (25 envelopes)

Open Plate \$504

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:

16 Sept Charismatic Mass



**Congratulations and God's
Blessings to all who are
celebrating a Birthday or
Anniversary in September.**

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH SA GOVERNMENT COVID RULES
PLEASE NOTE:**

Masks are mandatory for indoor places. (Celebrant exempt)

3 persons per 4 square metres

**No Singing Choir or Congregation unless a mask is worn covering both
nose and mouth.**

**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.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2021-22—

CRY OF THE EARTH, CRY OF THE POOR

There are some copies of the Social Justice Statement 2021-22 on the
Information Desk in the Church foyer. Alternatively the Statement may be
found on the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website: *Social
Justice Statement 2021-22 - Office for Social Justice (catholic.org.au)*



**HUMANITARIAN CRISES UNFOLDING IN
AFGHANISTAN, LEBANON AND HAITI**

As the situations in Haiti, Afghanistan and Lebanon deteriorate, you can help
to support families caught up in the crises. Please donate to Caritas Australia so
that we are able to respond to crises like these and others across the world.
Visit www.caritas.org.au/lebanon or www.caritas.org.au/afghanistan or call
1800 024 413 toll free to provide much needed support.



**Catholic
Charities**

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES – 2021 APPEAL
(September is Catholic Charities Month)**

*Making a difference to the lives of South Australians
since 1941.*

Please support the Catholic Charities 2021 Appeal – pick up a brochure or
make a donation online at www.adelaide.catholic.org.au or via Catholic
Charities Appeal, Reply Paid 912, Adelaide SA 5001. To simplify the giving
process, Catholic Charities is featured on the Archdiocese's successful Find a
Mass app. Through the 'Giving' page on the app, people are able to make
donations using a debit or credit card. For more information please visit
Catholic Charities pages on the website: [http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/
charity-and-giving/catholic-charities/about-catholic-charities-](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/charity-and-giving/catholic-charities/about-catholic-charities-). Donations of
more than \$2 are tax deductible.



**The Parish Pastoral Care Group would like to invite
parishioners to the next Ladies Coffee Morning on
Friday 10 September at 10.30am.
All welcome—gold coin donation.**

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

Pray for the healing of: Catherine Kelley, Cherie Morrison, Miho Forbes, Neville & Heather D'Cruz, Jack Vaughan, Pat Vaughan, Bill Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Angela Young, David Healey, John Mancini, Mick Wood, Sally McPhail, Eugene Byrne, Pauline Wheeldon, Gentile Monardo,

Deceased: Gerry Burns

Anniversaries: Gerard Johnson

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 11/12 September

6.00pm 9.00am

Proclaimer 1 Annabelle Fernandez Juliet Goveas

Proclaimer 2 Denis Jones Erica Badics

Welcomer Christine Jones Tony Chaina

Music Roster:

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY

At St Luke's we would like every person to feel welcome, safe and included, and to know that they are part of a community that cares. Please join us for a get together after 9am mass on 12 September for some tea/coffee & sweet treats.

Everyone is welcome and there will be some fun games for the children to enjoy.

ONKAPARINGA PRAYER BREAKFAST

Serafino Winery, McLaren Vale,

Friday 17 Sept @ 6.45-8.30am

Guest Speaker Fr Richard Leonard

\$35 per person—\$32pp when booking tables of 10

Further details contact Church office

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Please collect your new set of envelopes from the information counter

If you are interested in joining the planned giving program please contact the Church Office.

In keeping with the sanctity of the Church parishioners are asked to not bring food or drink into the body of the church. We ask that any food or drink be kept to the foyer or outside the church.

This may be waived for babies and young children.



WHAT'S ON

Mon	Sept 6	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's
Tues	Sept 7	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's PPC 7pm
Wed	Sept 8	Mass SCC—9.15am Craft Group 10am Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	Sept 9	Mass & Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9am Prayer Meeting 10am Benediction St Luke's—12.30pm Rosary St Luke's—7pm
Fri	Sept 10	Rosary St Luke's—9.30am Mass St Luke's—10.00am
Sat	Sept 11	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
Sun	Sept 12	Mass at 9.00am & 5.30pm —St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

Was baptized 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 your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information please contact

Parish Office at 8382 1717 or email
nswcp@tpg.com.au

If you or a member of the Parish is ill at home or in hospital and would like a priest to visit please contact the Parish Office and a visit will be organized.



**To all the Fathers,
Grandfathers,
Step-Fathers, Uncles,
Brothers and other
men in our life who
care for us and love us
unconditionally**

**HAPPY FATHERS
DAY**

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 21 August, 2021)

- The density requirement is now 3 people per 4 sqm. Weddings and funerals are capped at 50 people (provided density requirements are met).
- Wearing of masks is mandatory for indoor places. Wearing of masks is strongly recommended for Parish Offices.
- Congregational singing may resume, provided those singing wear a mask that covers both mouth and nose.
- Recommendation from Archdiocesan Office that tea/coffee after Mass be suspended.
- Social distancing is mandatory - DO NOT CONGREGATE at entry/exit and outside.
- 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, 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 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.

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Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, ‘Ephphatha’, that is, ‘Be opened.’ And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. ‘He has done all things well,’ they said ‘he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.’

OFF-TRACK HEALING

Jesus cured the deaf man with the speech impediment in this week’s gospel by poking him in the ear and spitting in his mouth. Oddly enough that was the common method of treatment among the healers of Jesus’ time. So, what made Jesus different? Why was he thrilling the masses like no other healer before or since? I chalk it up to one simple gesture: Jesus took the deaf man “off by himself away from the crowd”. You see, Jesus wasn’t looking for glory or recognition in his ministry. What he wanted was whole and well people. He knew the best way to accomplish that was to keep himself and the sick person focussed on the healing and undistracted by the crowd. And by protecting his patient from the embarrassment of peering eyes, Jesus showed a profound respect for the deaf man, which no doubt played a part in the cure.

Think of the times you’ve been pulled aside by a parent, friend, boss, or mentor and been called to task or given some advice. How much better did you hear the words being spoken during those times than when someone tried to set you straight in front of roomful of people?

Next time you feel someone is turning a deaf ear on you, follow Jesus’ lead and use respect, not shame, to remedy the situation.

The Commissioning:
Go from here as those who will widen their horizons. We will not be bound by habitual thoughts and actions. We will listen for different voices. We will reflect on new approaches. We will try opening our

hearts to other things. We will rejoice in unexpected experiences of justice. We will accept fresh leading of the Spirit. The God of Love will be your companion. We have nothing to fear.

GPBS eNews

DID YOU KNOW?

- Tyre and Sidon are cities on the Mediterranean coast in the far north of Israel, now southern Lebanon. They were the leading cities of the Phoenicians. This was not Jewish territory. Jesus has entered the realm of the Gentiles.
- The Decapolis was a federation of ten cities with a largely Greek culture. Most were in the area of the eastern side of the Jordan River to the south of the Sea of Galilee.

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

(September 06 - 12)

- **Monday, 06:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 1:24 - 2:3; Lk 6:6-11)
- **Tuesday, 07:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Wednesday, 08:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Micah 5:1-4; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23)
- **Thursday, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38)
- **Friday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42)
- **Saturday, 11:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49)
- **Sunday 12:** 24th SUNDAY in ORD TIME (Is 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35)



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).