



Welcome to

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 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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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday
10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian - (8382 1717;
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• ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr Dominick Okwadha
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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 - 1st Sun - St Luke's: Spanish
2.00pm - 2nd Sun - St Luke's: Filipino
5.30pm - St Luke's: Youth Mass



FIRST READING

Ezekiel 33:7-9

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 94:1-2, 6-9

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

SECOND READING

Romans 13:8-10

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: *You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet*, and so on, are summed up in

this single command: *You must love your neighbour as yourself*. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good news of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered

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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

Church Cleaning

For weekend 15/16 September

Cleaning: Sally and Pat

Vacuuming: Bill Aldridge

Finances : September

For weekend 2/3 September

1st Collection \$760.00

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$420.00 (31 envelopes)

Open Plate \$459.00

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:

2023 Upcoming Courses

2023/24 Magi Pilgrimages

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

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 nswcp@tpg.com.au



We congratulate all children who are receiving their

First Holy Communion at the 9:00am Mass

at St Luke's this weekend.

September is Catholic Charities Month

Help make a difference to the lives of South Australians

In the month of September, we are promoting the Catholic Charities Appeal
which supports the following agencies in South Australia: Hutt St Centre,
Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Centacare Catholic Family Services, Our Lady of
La Vang and St Patrick's Special Schools. Please take a leaflet with you to find
out more about the September Appeal.

Blessing of Milestone Wedding Anniversaries – 17 September

Celebrations for milestone wedding anniversaries in the
Archdiocese will again be held in local parish communities to
recognize couples in their life-long commitment.



The Archdiocese will provide parishes with digital resource via email. In
addition to the resource, there will be a digital form for parishes to nominate
married couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries to
receive a certificate for presenting in their parish.

Australian Pilgrimage

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage,
"In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop".

The pilgrimage will commence in Melbourne on
17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at
Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the
pilgrimage we will visit many places associated with
Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

Brochures on Information desk

Feast of the Week

Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Thursday, 14 September. Mass 7.30pm

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

Pray for the healing of: Bill Tanti, Gentile Monardo, Connie Anderson, Kane, Hammersley, Mark Peppin, Clyde Peppin, Mirta Castro, Cherie Morrison, Astrid Houareau, Cate Lavelle, Shelley Heard



Deceased:

Anniversaries:

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

Rosters for weekend 16/17 September

	6:00pm	9:00am	5:30pm
P1	Denis Jones	Jordan Faulkner	Dave van Heerde
P2	Annabelle Fernandes	Salvador Vega	Thomas Harry
W	Christine Jones	Rhea Thomas	Maria Thomas
HC	Raylee Crane	Maria Nolan	Gabrielle Byrne
	Anton Crane	Angeline D'Cruz	Sheralee van Heerde
Children's Liturgy	Megan & Rhea		
Music	6:00pm Sandiwa	9:00am	5:30pm

Safeguarding Sunday

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance. We recommit to cultural change that will help the Church be a place that builds and supports safe communities for all people.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.au/s/article/safeguardingsunday2023

**Child Protection Week
3-9 September**

To celebrate Child Protection Week this year, we are having a Colouring-in Competition for children 5-12 years of age.

Please see notice board for more information.

CHILD PROTECTION



Children who have any kind of disability should receive special care and support so that they can live a full and independent life.

CHILDRENS' MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 9.00AM
NEXT MASS WILL BE 1 OCTOBER.

WHAT'S ON

Mon	11 September	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Tues	12 September	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Wed	13 September	Mass at 9:15am—SCC Craft Group 10:00am Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	14 September	Mass at 9:00am—St Luke's Prayer Group 10:00am Benediction at 12:30pm Rosary at 6.45pm—St Luke's RCIA at 7-9pm
Fri	15 September	Rosary at 9:30am—St Luke's Mass 10:00am—St Luke's
Sat	16 September	Reconciliation at 9:00am—St Luke's Mass at 6:00pm—St Luke's
Sun	17 September	24 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Mass at 10:45am—SCC Mass at 5:30pm - St Luke's

ONKAPARINGA PRAYER BREAKFAST

Serafino Winery, McLaren Vale,
Friday 15 Sept @ 6.45-8.30am
Guest Speaker "Focus on Family"
Further details: Kevin Barry 8382 3773
kevinjbarry@professionals.com.au

**Charis SA invites you to
A Healing Mass**



at St Peter Claver Church
8 Stuart Road, Dulwich,
on Tuesday evening,
12 September, 7:00 - 9:00pm
Guest Speaker: Fr Jilto George

For more information, contact 0407 060 715.

Parish Pastoral Council News This is displayed on the notice board next to the table at the entrance to the church. If you wish to have a personal copy you can pick one up at the church office.



Sunday Night Dinner will be served after the 5:30pm Mass on Sunday 17 September.

Help Needed!

Julia and Mary are in need of more volunteers to help in washing altar linen basics. For more information, contact Julia on 8384 4036 or the Parish office on 8382 1717.

Please collect your new set of **Planned Giving Envelopes** from the information desk.

If you are interested in joining the Planned Giving Program, please contact the Church Office.

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS
(Current from 07/09/23)



- 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

DID YOU KNOW?

- In the ancient world, the testimony of two witnesses was needed for any charge to be upheld in a civil or religious court. We see many examples of this practice in the gospels; for example, John 9:18.
- Formal exclusion from the Church is called excommunication. Today it is rarely used but over history, many people, even saints, have been excommunicated. Galileo was excommunicated during the Renaissance for his views on science—later proved to be correct. This excommunication was rescinded only in recent years. Even Australia's own St Mary MacKillop was once excommunicated!



Help each other through

SEPTEMBER IS CATHOLIC CHARITIES MONTH

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bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'



SPECIAL AGENT OF GOD
(Matthew 18: 15 - 20)

If we are special agents of God, then we serve as agents of grace for one another. I am, in a real sense, at your service, as you are at mine. Together, we invite the kingdom of God into our midst. It's not the sort of commission one can achieve alone.

Of all that we do together to promote God's reign, the hardest may be our gentle mutual correction. Unlike yourself, I'm sure, I dislike being told I'm wrong. When I respond in anger and treat someone unfairly, I want to be justified, not reproved. But some of my friends love me enough to tell me when I'm way off base and need to examine my motives. Sometimes it's enough to hear it from one person. Sometimes, I need to hear it from every direction before I'm ready to change. I value this honesty in my life because I can't always punch my own way out of ignorance. My friends know how dearly I want to hear yes in heaven, so they're willing to say no to me in the here and now.

Have you ever corrected someone you love when they're in error? How do you respond to such correction?

TWO OR MORE

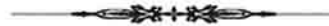
If your sister or brother should commit some wrong against you, go and point out the error, but keep it between the two of you. If she or he listens to you, you have won a loved one back; if not, try again, but take one or two others with you, so that every case may stand on the word of two or three witnesses. (Matthew 18: 15 - 16)

Jesus tells us that there is strength in numbers. Instead of stewing over the wrong someone did to you, you should meet with the person and

discuss the problem. This advice applies to situations at work, at home, at school, or among your neighbours. One is not only a lonely number but a dangerous number because the more you replay perceived wrongs in your head, the easier it is to lose perspective and make matters worse by blowing up at someone.

Many managers (including a few parish/school leaders) seem to have the "if I just ignore it, it will go away" approach to problems. But how many of us have ever seen that approach actually work? Problems are meant to be solved and relationships reconciled. If two people can't do that, the next step is not to retreat but to try to advance with the aid of others (co-workers, family members, friends). If that fails, then it's time to call in the wider community for help: the human resources department, the entire family, the parish council. These are difficult steps, but they are meant to make rare a step that is all too common: complete disassociation from the offending party.

Two or more working together toward reconciliation discourages obstinate, isolating behaviour that leaves no room for anyone, not even God. Join the crowd today.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS
(11 - 17 September)

- **Monday, 11:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11)
- **Tuesday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 23 (Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Wednesday, 13:** St John Chrysostom (Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26)
- **Thursday, 14:** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Num 21:4-9; Jn 3:13-17)
- **Friday, 15:** Our Lady of Sorrows (Heb 5:7-9; Jn 19:25-27)
- **Saturday, 16:** Sts Cornelius and Cyprian (1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49)
- **Sunday 17:** 24th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Sirach 27:30-28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35)

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.