

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and Seaford Ecumenical Centre

(Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)

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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.noarlungaseafordparish.org.au

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

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Fr Prathap Katta (8382 1717)

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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

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

The godless say to themselves:

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

'Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after — we have his word for it.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 53:3-6, 8

The Lord upholds my life.

SECOND READING

James 3:16-4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and

wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

2 Thess 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia!
God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus
Christ. Alleluia! (Continued page 4)

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 04

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Child Safe Contact Person:

Nicoline Henderson 0404 297 930

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 25/26 Sept Cleaning: Adele Revina Vacuuming: Nick Fernandes

Finances 11/12 Sept

1st Collection \$618 Support for Archdiocesan Priests 2nd Collection \$513 (29 envelopes) Open Plate \$604

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:

26 Sept Multicultural Mass

2 Oct Rosary: Crown of Roses

Retreat

21 Oct Charismatic Mass

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.

POST DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY GATHERING (Live stream On YouTube)

On Thursday September 23, 2021, Diocesan Assembly participants will gather at the Capri Theatre, Goodwood, for the final session of the Diocesan Assembly, which in essence wraps up the gathering and makes clear the pathway forward.

You are invited to join online via the following live stream link – https://youtu.be/ otk07w-SIO



CATHOLIC CHARITIES – 2021 APPEAL

(September is Catholic Charities Month)

Please support the Catholic Charities 2021 Appeal – pick up a brochure from parishes in September or make a donation online at www.adelaide.catholic.org.au or via Catholic Charities Appeal, Reply Paid 912, Adelaide SA 5001. For the first time, you can also give via the Archdiocesan Find a Mass App. Catholic Charities has been added to the giving section, enabling people to make donations using a debit or credit card. Donations of more than \$2 are tax deductible.



HUMANITARIAN CRISES

AFGHANISTAN – **Afghanistan** plunged into greater chaos, as thousands face displacement, poverty and COVID-19

LEBANON – Caritas Australia's CEO, Kirsty Robertson, makes an urgent appeal for **Lebanon**

WOMEN FOR THE WORLD Be a champion for women and girls by participating in **Women for the World**

BANGLADESH – "Many people are starving or half-starved." First-person account of the floods devastating **Bangladesh**'s refugee camps.

Please donate to Caritas Australia so that we are able to respond to crises like these and others across the world. For further information or to provide support please visit www.caritas.org.au or call P: 1800 024 413 toll free.



Dinner will be served following the Youth Mass next Sunday 26 September.

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, Heather D'Cruz, Jack Vaughan, Pat Vaughan, Bill Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Angela Young, David Healey, John Mancini, Mick Wood, Sally McPhail, Pauline Wheeldon, Gentile Monardo, Mark Peppin



Deceased:

Anniversaries: Mai Murray

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 25/26 September

	6.00pm	9.00am
Proclaimer 1	Paul Knobloch	Beverley Ellis
Proclaimer 2	Christine Jones	Espi Tilbrook
Welcomer	Denis Jones	Connie Anderson
Music Roster:		

150 Days of Action ... for refugees and people seeking asylum

The Vinnies Refugee and Asylum Seeker Service has joined an Australia wide coalition to engage people and advocate to change our country's attitude and policies towards those seeking protection in Australia.

What can you do to help?

- 1. Let your family and friends know "refugees are people just like us". Together we can build a society that respects and values refugees and asylum seekers.
- 2. Become a supporter of a charity/parish/conference by donating financially via E: donations@svdpsa.org.au (indicate for the Vinnies Refugee & Asylum Seeker Service) or by giving much-needed items like blankets and nappies at any of the Vinnies shops marked for the Vinnies Refugee & Asylum Seeker Service
- 3. Contact your local State MP and ask for increased commitment for emergency housing for asylum seekers facing homelessness.

Put your name to the online petition to your Federal MP requesting urgent changes:

- income support for all people seeking asylum in Australia;
- end temporary visas and create a pathway to permanent residency;
- access to family reunions for all refugees and people seeking asylum in Australia's care

https://me.getup.org.au/petitions/launch-of-150-days-of-action-for-people-seeking-refuge-in-our-land?share=7c7b63a8-21a0-434e-92c2-4075e7f6e7e7&source=email-share-button&utm_edium=&utm_source=email

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 on 8382 1717 and a visit will be organized.

WHAT'S ON

	Mon	Sept 20	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's	
	Tues	Sept 21	Feast of St Matthew	
			Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's	
	Wed	Sept 22	2 Mass SCC—9.15am Craft Group 10am	
			RCIA at St Luke's 7.00pm	
		Cardijn Board Meeting 7.30pm		
•			Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's Mass & Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9am Prayer Meeting 10am Benediction St Luke's—12.30pm	
	Thurs	Sept 23		
Rosary St			Rosary St Luke's—7pm	
	Fri	Sept 24	Rosary St Luke's—9.30am	
			Mass St Luke's—10.00am	
	Sat	Sept 25	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's	
			Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's	
	Sun	Sept 26	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

MULTICULTURAL MASS

2.30pm Sunday 26 September St Francis Xavier's Cathedral

The Archdiocese warmly invite everyone to this celebration.

For more information contact Sr Nien Tran P: 8210 8140 or M: 0419 807 887 multiculturaloffice@adelaide.catholic.org.au Streamed live on YouTube.com, search: Multicultural Mass 2021

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 9 September, 2021)

- Places of Worship are restricted to 3 people per 4 square metres with social distancing of 1.5 metres. The number of people at a Private Activity has increased from 50 people to 150 people, provided density requirements are met. If more than 50 people are present, there must be an independent COVID Marshal. QR codes and/or handwritten logs are essential.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. Wearing of masks in parish offices is strongly recommended.
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship and members of choirs or chorus groups may perform or rehearse indoors, if they wear masks while doing so.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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,

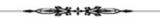
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GOSPEL

Mark 9:30-37

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all? He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'



BACKGROUND ON TODAY'S GOSPEL READING

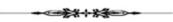
In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to preparing his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behaviour. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum,

Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In firstcentury Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(September 20 - 26)

- *Monday, 20*: Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn (Ezra 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18)
- *Tuesday, 21:* St Matthew (Prov 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21)
- *Wednesday, 22:* Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Ezra 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6)
- *Thursday, 23:* St Pius of Pietrelcina (Haggai 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9)
- *Friday, 24:* Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Haggai 1:15 2:9; Lk 9:18-22)
- *Saturday, 25:* Weekday, Ord Time 25 (Zech 2:5-9, 14-15; Lk 9:43-45)
- *Sunday 26:* 26th SUNDAY in ORD TIME (Num 11:25-29; James 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48)



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).