



Welcome to

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

TWENTY-NINTH 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

WHAT BELONGS TO CAESAR?



WHAT BELONGS TO GOD?

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more:

‘It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 95:1, 3-5, 7-10

Give the Lord glory and honour.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all,

and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, ‘Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man’s rank means nothing to you.

Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?’

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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 Co-ordinator:
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Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:
Dr Paul Rijken

Chairperson Liturgy Group:
Margaret Burns

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St John the Apostle 8382 2064
Principal - Ms Lee-Anne Johansen

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Principal - Mr Nick Wright

Cardijn College 8392 9500
Principal - Mr Steve Byrne
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Marian — Ms Danielle Greig
Galilee—Ms Kerri Gould 8557 9000
Marcellin— Mr Gianni

Church Cleaning
For weekend 28/29 October
Cleaning: Leona Tane
Vacuuming: Nick Fernandes

Finances : October
For weekend 14/15 Oct
1st Collection \$732.00
Support for Archdiocesan Priests
2nd Collection \$338.60 (25 envelopes)
Open Plate \$644.00
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.

October is Rosary Month

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of October to the devotion of the Holy Rosary. The best way to celebrate the month is to pray the Rosary.



We welcome into our faith community:

Raffa Clay Ocampo, son of Arvie and MaryAnn Ocampo
and

Mitchell Thomas Kestell, son of Simon and Alisha Kestell

Both children received the Sacrament of Baptism last weekend.

We wish them and their families God's richest blessings.



MEMORIAL BOOK

Please feel free to write the names of any departed loved ones or friends in the St Luke's Memorial Book which is on the Information Counter.



October is Mission Month and the Catholic Mission Appeal for 2023 will be held on October 22. The Sisters and the Church in Venilale need our support to continue the lifesaving work at the Salesian-run medical clinic; your support will impact those most in need in Timor-Leste, along with our current projects in 41 countries and 14 parishes in Australia. All posters and envelopes are QR coded for the appeal, any support with collections or concerns please ring Tony Johnston on (08) 8210 8199 or E: tjohnston@catholicmission.org.au

Thanks to you, Catholic Mission is able to 'reach out and give life' through our work around the world and in Australia .

Mission Envelopes are available at the Information Counter. See Mick.



To All children wishing to become ALTAR SERVERS

A training session will be held in St Luke's Church on Saturday, 28 October from 10:00-11:30am.

We encourage parents to support their children in joining this ministry.

SOLEMNITIES FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

ALL SAINTS - Wednesday, 1 November; Mass at 7:30pm

DEDICATION OF ST LUKE'S - Saturday, 18 November; Mass at 6:00pm

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - Friday, 8 December; Mass at 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: Barney Manning, Shelley Heard, Bill Tanti, Gentile Monardo, Connie Anderson, Cherie Morrison, Astrid Houareau



Deceased:

Anniversaries:

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

Roster for weekend 28/29 October

	6:00pm	9:00am	5:30pm
P1	Tinna Buenviaje	St John's	Yvonne Bennett
P2	Mel Buenviaje	St John's	Paul Knobloch
W	Brenda Byrne	St John's	Paul Knobloch
HC	Kevin Barry	Angeline D'Cruz	Sheralee van Heerde
	Paul Rijken	Maria Nolan	Theresa Tanti
Children's Liturgy			
Music	6:00pm	9:00am St John's	5:30pm

Orders for the NEW 2024 Liturgical Calendar Are Now Open! An indispensable resource for liturgy planning throughout the year for your office or personal use is now available FREE from the Pastoral Services Team of the Adelaide Archdiocese! Solemnities, feasts and memorials that are significant to South Australian Catholic churches and schools have been observed in this year's calendar, including school term/week dates. The calendars will be ready by Nov.

Music Ministry Workshops

As liturgical musicians or leaders who are planning liturgies and Masses, it is important to gather and network together, a time to learn from each other, discover new liturgical music and plan for the season ahead. These workshops may be hosted by any school or parish cluster, by appointment. For more information on hosting and/or attending a Music Ministry Workshop, please contact Lauren Bierer from the Archdiocesan Community Life & Worship team on worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au or phone 8210 8130.



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 5 NOVEMBER.**

WHAT'S ON

Mon	23 October	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's
Tues	24 October	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's
Wed	25 October	Mass at 9:15am - SCC Craft Group at 10:00am Mass at 7:30pm - St Luke's
Thurs	26 October	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Prayer Group 10:00am Rosary at 6:45pm - St Luke's Finance Meeting at 7:00pm Year 12 Farewell Mass at 7:00pm RCIA at 7:00pm
Fri	27 October	Rosary at 9:30am - St Luke's Mass 10.00am - St Luke's Youth Meeting at 6:00pm
Sat	28 October	Reconciliation at 9:00am - St Luke's Baptism of Spencer at 9:30am Altar Server Training at 10:00am Mass at 6:00pm - St Luke's
Sun	29 October	3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Family Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Mass at 10:45am - SCC Mass at 5:30pm - St Luke's

**Charis SA Presents
OVERCOMING SPIRITUAL WARFARE
With Br Abraham George**

When: Saturday, 11th November, 10:30am - 3:30pm
Where: St Peter Claver Church
8 Stuart Road, Dulwich
Coffee and tea provided: Bring your own lunch
Including Teaching, Reflection, Mass and Adoration.
Donations are appreciated. All are welcome!
For more information, ring 0407 060 715

Ecumenical Prayer Service for Israel and the Palestinian Territories

The Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide and Churches Together SA will hold an ecumenical service to pray for peace in Israel and the Palestinian territories in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, Wakefield St, Adelaide, on Wed 18 Oct at 7:00pm.

**St Vincent de Paul
BBQ Lunch and Auction**

Address: Noarlunga Uniting Church
23 William Rd Christies Beach
Date: Sunday, 22nd October
Time: 12:30pm
Tickets: \$10.00
Tea/Coffee Supplied



BYO drink

*****SECURITY OF PARISH KEYS*****

If you are responsible for holding a parish key, please note that the key is not to be passed on to another person to use. Permission of the Parish Manager or Parish Priest has to be obtained for any other person to use that key.
Thank you!

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 19/10/23)



- 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?

- The Herodians are mentioned only three times in the New Testament as a group within Jewish society (Mk 3:6; Mk 12:13; Mt 22:16). In all three texts they are aligned with the Pharisees in trying to entrap Jesus. They may have been supporters of the rule and policies of Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great, ruler of Galilee during Jesus' lifetime.
- The first 'Caesar' was Gaius Julius Caesar, a Roman general, who emerged from the civil wars as the sole ruler of the Empire in 45 BC. After his murder the following year, his grand-nephew Octavian (Augustus) took over as ruler and adopted the name Caesar. From then onwards all rulers of the Empire were known as 'Caesar'. The Caesar during Jesus' public ministry was Tiberias.



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OCTOBER IS MISSION MONTH

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But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

TAX TIME

(Matthew 22: 15 - 21)

What is a tax? In the best of circumstances, it's a private payment for the public good. It's how individuals contribute to the interests of the community of which they're a part. In the time of the Roman empire, taxation among the occupied provinces was a troubling matter. It could be argued that what went into the pocket of Rome went out of the province for good.

Those who questioned Jesus about taxes, of course, weren't asking for a moral decision. They wanted him to betray himself by being politically incorrect in front of the people. And Jesus, of course, was above politics, framing his answer in larger terms than the Pharisees cared to consider. Those who were obliged to Caesar should certainly make payment in the coin of the realm. But those who are obliged to God - and who isn't - owe a debt to be paid in the province of the human spirit. It is this larger obligation that should capture our concern.

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THE ONLY LEGACY THAT MATTERS

The Pharisees plotted a way to trap him into saying something damaging. They sent their disciples, with a few of Herod's followers mixed in, to ask, "Teacher, we know you have integrity, teach the way of God accurately, are indifferent to popular opinion, and don't pander to your students. So, tell us honestly: Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" (Matthew 22: 15 - 17)

Not long ago I attended a funeral for a man who had served as a journalist for the diocesan paper for over 25 years. Kevin was all the one would hope and

trust a journalist might be: inquisitive, persevering, intelligent and articulate. Usually dishevelled, wearing a corduroy jacket with a camera slung over his shoulder, Kevin never seemed to care about clothes and appearance, money or status. Pursuing a good story and a commitment to justice – those were Kevin's passions. And above all else, Kevin was honest. The people who gathered for Kevin's funeral that morning heard these words at the start from the homilist: "Kevin was a good man, an honest man who spoke the truth". It was a starkly simple statement followed by these words: "And what is more important than to be a good and honest person?"

It was one of those moments when I found myself thinking: Really, what could matter more at my death than for someone to be able to say I was a good and truthful person? Awards and accolades, accomplishments and financial success are fleeting and pale in comparison to goodness and honesty. The Pharisees didn't seem to understand this truth in their arguments with Jesus, the good and honest teacher. Kevin's funeral reminded me how important it is to be a person who is good and honest.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(23 - 29 October)

- **Monday, 23:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 29 (Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21)
- **Tuesday, 24:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 29 (Rom 5:12, 15, 17-21; Lk 12:35-38)
- **Wednesday, 25:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 29 (Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48)
- **Thursday, 26:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 29 (Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53)
- **Friday, 27:** Weekday, Ord Time 29 (Rom 7:18-25; Lk 12:54-59)
- **Saturday, 28:** Sts Simon and Jude (Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Sunday 29:** 30th Sunday Ordinary Time (Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thess 1:5-10; Mt 22:34-40)

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.