Welcome to



# Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

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#### THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

### NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

Cnr Goldsmith Drive and Honeypot Rd, (PO Box 406) NOARLUNGA, SA 5168 Phone: 8382 1717

(Please leave a message outside office hours and we will get back to you as soon as we can)

Email: nswcp@tpg.com.au

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday - Friday 10.00am - 3.00pm

#### PARISH TEAM CONTACTS • PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian - (8382 1717; in an emergency 0452 524 169; jponnambal@gmail.com)

### ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr Dominick Okwadha (8382 1717; okwadha@yahoo.com (on leave until 27 November)

#### • PARISH MANAGER NEWSLETTER Mrs Toni Fishlock - 0417 801 241;

fishlock11@tpg.com.au

(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 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sun - St Luke's: Spanish 2.00pm - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun - St Luke's: Filipino 5.30pm - St Luke's: Youth Mass



#### FIRST READING Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable, nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Psalm 32:2-3, 17-19, 23 The Lord hears the cry of the poor.* 

## SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

## 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

#### Luke 18:9-14

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am *(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 Byrne0422 804 579

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 Apostle8382 2064Principal - Ms Lee-Anne JohansenAll Saints83270020Principal - Mrs Liz Keogh

Cardijn College 8392 9500 Acting Principal - Mr Patrick Harmer Heads of Campus: Cardijn College—Mr Wade Champion Galilee—Mr Nick Wright 8557 9000 Marcellin—Mr Gianni Petrucci

Church Cleaning 29 Oct:

Cleaning: Vacuuming: Denise Bachman

#### Finances 15/16 Oct :

1st Collection \$774Support for Archdiocesan Priests2nd Collection \$422 (31 envelopes)Open Plate \$946Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to the community.

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

10.00am—3.00pm Tuesday—Friday

For any emergencies please contact Fr Josy on 0452 524 169 or Toni Fishlock on 0417 801 241.

#### Noticeboard:

Nov 5 A Renewed Personal Encounter with Jesus Christ Nov 17 Charismatic Mass

The Parish Financial Report to the end of September is available on the Church noticeboard.

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

### WORLD MISSION—SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

The celebration of World Mission Day is an occasion for reaffirming how prayer, reflection and the material help of your offerings are so many opportunities to participate actively in the mission of Jesus in his Church. The charity expressed in the collections that take place during the liturgical celebrations of the third Sunday of October is aimed at supporting the missionary work carried out in my name by the Pontifical Mission Societies, in order to meet the spiritual and material needs of peoples and Churches throughout the world, for the salvation of all." Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for World Mission Day 2020





This October, we are celebrating World Mission Month, a month dedicated to the life-giving work of missionaries around the world.

This year, we walk hand-in-hand with the Church of Ethiopia and the

local communities towards providing life-changing opportunities to those most in need.

We are currently supporting a range of mission development programs in Ethiopia addressing malnutrition, the lack of access to education for young children, and the vulnerable position of women in society.

Donation envelopes are available on the Information Desk .

### \*\*\*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.



We welcome into our faith community:

Bonnie Weekes

Theodore Bolton

Luca Bradley

who were baptised during the month of October. 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.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA \*\*\* CANCELLED 27 OCTOBER \*\*\*



Mihalovic, Cate Lavelle, Alison Pyne,

#### **Deceased:**

#### Anniversaries:

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 29/30 October

	6.00pm	9.00am	5.30pm
P1	A Fernandes	Marie Lodge	Paul Knobloch
P2	Brenda Byrne	Espi Tilbrook	Rhea Thomas
W	Christine Challis	Julie Lindur	Ronan Thomas

### CHARIS SA INVITES YOU TO

A Renewed Personal Encounter with Jesus Christ With Fr Dean Marin VG Praise & Worship: Teaching: Adoration: Mass 5 November 2022

10.30am to 3.30pm

Tea & Coffee provided: bring own food only St Peter Claver Church 8 Stuart Road, Dulwich Your generous donation appreciated

Enquiries: 0407 060 715

### **ADVENT DAILY REFLECTIONS**

Order your copy now - \$5 each

Please place your name on the sheet on the Information Desk or contact the Parish Office on 8382 1717

### **OCTOBER—MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY**

To celebrate the Month of the Holy rosary, on the last 10 days of October the Rosary will be recited at St Luke's Church at the following times:

22 Oct	5.30pm	Mass 6.00pm
23 Oct	8.30am & 5.00pm	Mass 9am & 5.30pm
24-27 Oct	7.00pm	Mass 7.30pm
28 Oct	7.00pm	Mass 7.30pm
29 Oct	5.45pm	Mass 6.15pm
30 Oct	8.30am & 5.00pm	Mass 9am & 5.30pm
31 Oct	7.00pm followed b	y High Mass at 7.30pm

#### WHAT'S ON Mon 24 Oct Rosary at 7.00pm—St Luke's Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's Tues 25 Oct Mass at St John's-10.15am Rosary at 7.00pm—St Luke's Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's Wed 26 Oct Mass at All Saints/SCC-9.15am Craft Group 10am Rosary at 7.00pm—St Luke's Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's Thurs 27 Oct Prayer Meeting 10am Rosary at 7.00pm—St Luke's Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's 28 Oct Feast of Sts Simon and Jude Fri Rosary at 7.00pm—St Luke's Mass 7.30pm-St Luke's 29 Oct Reconciliation St Luke's-9.00am Sat Rosary 5.45pm—St Luke's Mass at 6.15pm—St Luke's 30 Oct Rosary at 8.30am—St Luke's Sun Mass at 9.00am- St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC Rosary at 5.00pm —St Luke's Mass at 5.30pm—St Luke's

### CHANGES TO MASS TIMES 29/30 OCTOBER

Please note the following changes for that weekend only: Aldinga

Sunday 30 October

Saturday 29 October

6.15pm St Luke's 9.00am & 5.30pm St Luke's (as usual) SCC 10.30am Normanville 12 noon

5.15pm

### **NOARLUNGA-SEAFORD CATHOLIC** COMMUNITY

### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH & RAFFLE**

**Tuesday 29 November** 

12.15pm for 12.30pm start Time:

Menu: Turkey with all the trimmings followed by Pavlova or Christmas pudding. BYO wine

Cost: \$12pp

Date:

**Bookings essential.** 



Tickets available from SCC Café, at 1045am Sunday Mass at SCC or from Gabrielle in the Parish Office.

A great opportunity for both ends of the parish to catch-up over lunch.

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 19/10/22)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please follow the instructions as per SA Health in terms of contact tracing and isolating yourself as per government health protocols. Please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- The density requirement has been updated to full capacity in all churches and also includes funerals and weddings.
- Wearing of face-masks in Church is strongly recommended.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact

### DID YOU KNOW?

• It is always important to look at who the characters are in the parables of Jesus.

• Pharisees were deeply religious laymen who observed the law very closely and met together regularly for prayer and table fellowship.

• Tax collectors were despised because their job gave them opportunity to cheat and defraud the people and also because they cooperated with the Roman oppressors. Their contact with the gentiles made them ritually unclean. No wonder this tax collector 'stood some distance away'. The Pharisees would have believed he had no right to be in the temple at all. *(Continued from page 1)* not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

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SILENCE YOUR CRITICS The critic who lives in my brain gives me very little peace. He sits in constant judgment of the people and situations I encounter each day. When I am rested and spiritually restored, I can quiet the drone of commentary, but the more stressed and exhausted I am, the more I find myself with little patience or kindness for anyone who crosses my path: "Could this shop assistant be any slower?" ... "If that guy brags once more about how smart he is, I'm going to slap him" ... "Why doesn't that woman get her finances in order instead of sponging off her friends"... "I would never let my child act like such a brat". And the list of awful thoughts goes on and on until I finally end up despising myself and the world around me.

Then I go to church and see humanity in all its glory and frailty spread out before me, and I feel ashamed. I know there are self-righteous jerks sitting in the pew next to truly kind and forgiving people, but the problem is no one really knows who is who, so we all end up shaking hands and wishing one another peace.

I wish I didn't need to be called back to the table each week to be reminded of my unworthiness, but I take comfort in knowing that I am not alone in my sinfulness nor my piety, my arrogance nor my humility. And at the end of the day, the best we can do is say, "Peace" to one another and ask our critics to be quiet.

*The Commissioning:* Go from here with humility. We seek to serve quietly. We seek to question carefully. We seek to meet suffering compassionately. We seek to sustain

our environment persistently. We seek to encourage gently. We seek to pray unceasingly. We seek to follow the way of Jesus faithfully. God goes with you. God will never leave you.

#### **POCKET PRAYERS**

The Jesus Prayer has its origin in this parable. The text of the prayer is simple: "Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me a sinner". Although prayed since the sixth century, the modern technique associated with this prayer - controlled breathing and mantra-like repetitions – probably didn't come into use until the fourteenth century. Like any prayer, the point isn't to perfect the technique but to find the right spirit.

The tax collector in the parable had the right spirit, even if he couldn't imagine the technique that history would form around his prayer. He simply bowed his head, acknowledged his sins, and counted on God's mercy. The Pharisee, who had more style and undoubtedly greater technique, gave himself over to self-celebration, reporting his good deeds in the event God might have missed them. In the process, he missed the heart of prayer, which is humility.

The lesson on prayer is simple. Pray however you want, but be sure of two things: that you DO pray, and that your heart is invested in your prayer.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(24 - 30 October) • Monday, 24: Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Eph 4:32 - 5:8; Lk 13:10-17)

- *Tuesday, 25:* Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Eph 5:21-33:; Lk 13:18-21)
- *Wednesday, 26:* Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Eph 6:1-9; Lk 13:22-30)
- *Thursday, 27:* Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35)
- *Friday, 28:* Sts Simon and Jude (Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19)
- *Saturday, 29:* Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Phil 1:18-26; Lk 14:1, 7-11)
- Sunday 30: 31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Wis 11:22 -12:2; 2 Thess 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10)

#### 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.