



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)

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## NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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## OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
10.00am - 12.00noon

## PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

### • PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian (8382 1717;  
in an emergency 0452 524 169;  
[jponnambal@gmail.com](mailto:jponnambal@gmail.com))

### • ASSISTANT PRIESTS

Fr Prathap Katta  
(8382 1717)

Fr Arul Dev  
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### • PARISH MANAGER/ NEWSLETTER

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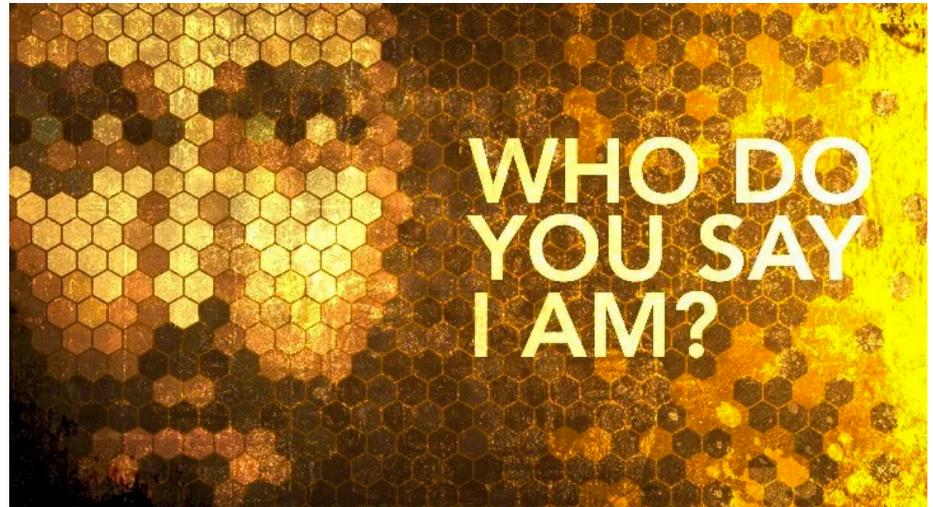
*(Please submit newsletter items to the Parish Office by 11.30am each Wednesday)*

### • SEAFORD

Sr Bernie Sontrop SGS – SEM  
(Catholic Community Coordinator  
- 0400 035 462)

## CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159



## FIRST READING

*Isaiah 22:19-23*

Thus says the Lord of Hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiyah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 137:1-3, 6, 8*

*Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.*

## SECOND READING

*Romans 11:33-36*

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him

anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Mt 16:18*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church, the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 16:13-20*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church.

And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven;

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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

**Ministry to Sick:**

Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579

**Child Safe Contact Person:**

**Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:**

Dr Paul Rijken

**Chairperson Liturgy Group:**

Margaret Burns

**Parish Schools and Colleges:**

Galilee Learning Centre 8557 9000  
Principal - Ms J Higgins and  
Ms Sharon Doyle

St John the Apostle 8382 2064  
Principal - Ms Dee-Anne Peters

All Saints 83270020  
Principal - Mrs Liz Keogh

Cardijn College 8392 9500  
Principal - Dr P Rijken

**Church Cleaning**

For weekend 29/30 August  
Cleaning: Sally Stanfield  
Vacuuming: Liz Smith

**Finances**

For weekend 15/16 August  
1st Collection \$596  
Support for Archdiocesan Priests  
2nd Collection \$417 (28 envelopes)  
Open Plate \$484

Thank you for your ongoing support and  
commitment to the community.

**Noticeboard**

Aug 23 Pastoral Care in Parish and  
Community Life

The Parish Office is now open from  
10.00am—3.00pm on  
Tuesday—Friday

## IMPORTANT RULES TO BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED

These are State Government Rules and are to be strictly followed at all times

A fine of \$5,000 will apply to the Parish for non compliance of these rules

- Keep the 1.5 metre social distancing requirement at all times.
- Families from the same household are permitted to sit together.
- Please record your name and contact number in the book provided in the foyer before entering the church.
- Use the hand sanitizer supplied on the table in the foyer.
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### COVID MARSHALS

The government has directed that as from 21<sup>st</sup> of August 2020 we must have a COVID Marshal. The COVID Marshal's role is to ensure that the sites COVID Safe Plan and local COVID prevention plans, policies or protocols are implemented as best as possible and takes all reasonable action to ensure that all staff, patrons, contractors and other people on the site follow these rules.

As COVID Marshals are required under the Emergency Management (Public Activities (COVID-19) Direction 2020, the church will be subject to compliance inspections by authorities and non-compliance with requirements can be subjected to penalties.

While we do not always like change, this change has been put in place to protect you and your families. We would respectfully ask that you comply with any requests asked of you by the COVID Marshal.

### ALL CHOIRS

.Following discussion with members of the Pastoral Council the following decisions were made.

- **NO CONGREGATIONAL SINGING**
- **ALL CHOIRS ARE RESTRICTED TO 6 MEMBERS OR LESS.**

### SOCIAL JUSTICE

#### 21 August—Women's Voices in Parliament and Online

At the federal election of 1943, Enid Lyons (United Australia Party) and Dorothy Tangney (Australian Labor Party) became the first women to be elected to the Australian parliament.

Today much remains to be done to counter ongoing resistance to hearing women's voices in the public square. Our first female Prime Minister endured sustained misogynistic attacks and the digital world is another space in which abuse can silence women's voices. A recent Ipsos MORI poll found that:

- Two-fifths (40% of women who said that they had experienced abuse or harassment on a social media platform either ceased or decreased their use of the platforms.
- Some women are also restricting what they post about: 27% of those with an experience of online abuse or harassment said they had stopped posting content that expressed their opinion on certain issues and 23% said they stopped sharing content that expressed their opinion on certain issues.

Making the digital world a safe place for women and girls is the responsibility of all of us, especially boys and men. Contact Catholic social service organisations in your diocese to find out about their programs that help to promote respectful relationships.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT  
ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA  
EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9.30AM TO 2.00PM**

**Pray for the healing of:** Pastor Mark Kaesler, Frank Martucci, Alex Barrow, Heather D'Cruz, Valerie Wallis, Angela Young, Mary Szantyr, Shirley Lavender



**Deceased:**

**Anniversaries:** Craigh Macdonald, Jim Bennett, Chris Bennett, Annette Bennett

*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).

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**Rosters for weekend 29/30 August**

	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>9.00am</b>
Proclaimer 1	Margaret Mottram	Liz Brown
Proclaimer 2		John Van Der Linden
Welcomer	Brian Hanna	Erica Badics
<b>Roster:</b>		
Projectionist	<b>Nick</b>	
Ministry		Shaun & Simone

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**COLLECTIONS**

As we are still restricted with passing around collection bags, the bags are on a table at the back of the Church for your convenience.

You are now also able to make donations to the first or second collections by downloading the **Archdiocese of Adelaide** App from your app store. See noticeboard for further details.

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**THANKSGIVING RENEWAL PROGRAM—  
AUGUST 2020**

Please take the time to read and respond to the insert in last week's Newsletter regarding the next Thanksgiving Program cycle with new envelopes to be distributed in September. If you did not receive one, copies are available on the Information Desk in the foyer. Thank you to anyone who contributes in any way to the life of the Parish.

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**WE CAN STILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE  
BUSH FIRE APPEAL**

One of our parishioners, Jane, carries out garment repairs and alterations. Jane has generously offered to donate all the money she receives from this service this year to the Bush Fire Appeal.

If you need garments altered or repaired please contact Jane on 8382 8817.

**WHAT'S ON**

Mon	Aug 24	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's
Tues	Aug 25	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's Mass at 9.15—St John's
Wed	Aug 26	Mass at 9.15am—SCC/All Saints Craft Group 10am—St Luke's Cardijn Board Meeting 7.30pm Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	Aug 27	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9.15am 10.00am-12.00noon—Prayer Group Benediction 2.00pm—St Luke's
Fri	Aug 28	Rosary 9.30am—St Luke's Mass at 10.00am—St Luke's
Sat	Aug 29	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
Sun	Aug 30	Mass at 9.00am and 5.30pm—St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC

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**HAVE YOUR DETAILS CHANGED?**



If you have changed your address, email address or phone number in the last 18 months could you please advise the Parish Office on 8382 1717.

For the smooth running of the Noarlunga/Seaford Parish, we need to ensure all parish records etc are up to date.

Unfortunately we found we were unable to contact many of our parishioners to advise of Church arrangements during the pandemic.

Thank you.

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**PROPOSED PASTORAL CARE GROUP**

The Parish Pastoral Council has floated the idea of developing a group of parishioners who might act as a Pastoral Care Group for the Seaford Noarlunga Parish Community.

This suggestion is in light of the recent effects of COVID-19 and how very easily a community can become disconnected. The majority of the parishioners at our churches are of a mature age and we would like to ensure there is a group of people, a Pastoral Care Group, that can reach out to offer support.

We would like to find out if there are any parishioners who are interested in forming this group and from there we will have conversations and discuss the best way to move forward with our good intentions. Please leave your name at the Parish Office on 8382 1717 if you are interested.

## COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

*(The following conditions apply at this time)*

- Attendance for mass is dependent on the 1 in 2 sq.m rule restriction.
- This number also applies for funerals and weddings.
- Except for families and household groups, people should socially distance.
- There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details. Logs are located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- No collection plates or hymn books are to be passed around.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- 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.
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Offertory procession will be omitted.
- Care should be taking at the dismissal and on leaving the church to minimise social contact.
- The obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage.

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### VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

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### WILLUNGA PARISH

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whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.



## EXPLORING THE WORD

At this point in the gospel, Jesus and his chosen have travelled and lived together for some time. He invites them to explore what they understand of his identity. Even in his question there is explicit hint of his identity, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' The people offer a variety of opinions: John the Baptist, Elijah, Jeremiah or one of the prophets. But it is Peter who adds to the title Son of Man by recognising Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God.

This same Peter whose faith faltered when he was buffeted by the wind and waves (see Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time) has now shown that he is open to God and recognises Jesus for who he is. But this is not the end of Peter's story. There are ups and downs in his response, as there are in our own. As long as we remain open to the gift of faith, we are offered forgiveness when we fail to treasure what God has given to us.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Caesarea Philippi is north of the region of Galilee. It was given to Herod the Great by Augustus Caesar and Herod built a white stone temple there and dedicated it to his patron. After Herod's death it passed into the hands of his son, Philip, who built his capital here – thus the name, Caesarea Philippi.
- The great stone temple built by Herod was at a natural spring which is the source of the Jordan River. The temple was dedicated to the Roman god of nature, Pan. The cave of Pan is housed in a high natural edifice of rock and it was here that Jesus reputedly told Peter, that he, too, would be a rock

on which the Church is built – not dedicated to a pagan god but to the one true God.

## SHARING THE TRADITION

The Pope is the Bishop of Rome, a city traditionally associated with evangelisation by Peter. This gospel text is the one which is traditionally used as the basis for the Church's teaching on the primacy of the Pope in guiding and unifying the Church but he is assisted in this task by all the bishops. There have been 266 Popes from Peter to the present pontiff, Francis. The Pope's voice is an especially privileged one in the Church. This does not mean that everything the Pope says or does is without error. What he teaches must be taken with seriousness because of the office he holds. There are only rare occasions when the Pope speaks solemnly and with full authority on any particular matter. At other times he is expressing the teachings of the Church and offering an 'authoritative' guide to the faithful.



## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

*(23 - 30 August)*

- **Monday, 24:** St Bartholomew (Apoc 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51)
- **Tuesday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 21 (2 Thess 2:1-3, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26)
- **Wednesday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 21 (2 Thess 3:6-10, 16-18; Mt 23:27-32)
- **Thursday, 27:** St Monica (1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51)
- **Friday, 28:** St Augustine (1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13)
- **Saturday, 29:** The Passion of St John the Baptist (Jer 1:17-19; Mk 6:17-29)
- **Sunday 30:** 21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20)

## 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).