



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

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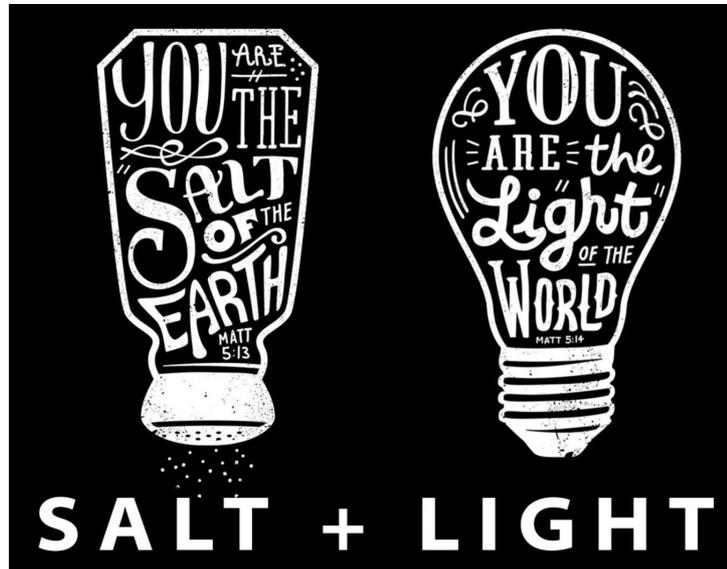
Sr Bernie Sontrop SGS – SEM (Catholic Community Coordinator - 0400 035 462)

ANTIOCH YOUTH MINISTRY

For Antioch enquiries please ring the Parish Office (8382 1717)

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159



FIRST READING

Isaiah 58:7-10

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor; clothe the man you see to be naked and turn not from your own kin. Then your light will shine like the dawn and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you and the glory of the Lord behind you. Cry, and the Lord will answer; call, and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke, the clenched fist, the wicked word, if you give your bread to the hungry, and relief to the oppressed, your light will rise in the darkness, and your shadows become like noon.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 111:4-9

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying

on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 8:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus said to his disciples, 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your

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Baptism of Infants: 8382 1717

Children's Faith Formation

Dolores McCluskey 0413 810 049

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

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Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:

Kevin Barry

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 15/16 Feb

Cleaning: Sharon Fletcher

Vacuuming: Denise Bachman

Finances

For weekend 1/2 February

1st Collection \$1137

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$714.10 (55 envelopes)

Open Plate \$714

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

Notice Board

Feb 15 Discernment of Spirits
for Christian Living

Feb 20 Charismatic Mass

Feb 22 Launch of

Project Compassion

Feb 29 Faith on Fire Seminar:

The Prodigal Son

March 4- Active Lent Talk Series

April 3 for Young Adults 18+

June Saints of Italy Pilgrimage

SOCIAL JUSTICE

8 February—St Josephine Bakhita

The International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking was observed for the first time on the Feast of St Josephine Bakhita in 2015. Each year around 2.5 million people are victims of trafficking and slavery. Sixty per cent of them are women and children. Pope Francis has strongly denounced trafficking of human beings, calling it 'a crime against humanity' and calling on all to fight and care for its victims.

Sr Josephine Bakhita was born in Southern Sudan in 1869, kidnapped as a child and sold into slavery. She was resold several times but in 1883 was brought to Italy where in 1893 she joined the Canossian Sisters. She was canonised in 2000 and her feast day has been named as the World Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action Against Human Trafficking.

28th World Day of the Sick

A message from Pope Francis for the 28th World Day of the Sick to be celebrated on 11 February 2020:

“Through the World Day of the Sick, the Church seeks to express part of its mission through care of those in need. The ministry of Jesus was taken up very much with the healing and care of the sick. May the Church continue to strive to follow the example of the One whom we serve.”

BUSHFIRE ASHES FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

The following is an excerpt from Fr Philip Marshall's letter of 31/1/20:

“Dear brothers and sisters,

We continue to hold you very much in our thoughts and prayers following the terrible experiences of bushfire you have endured, and conscious that the possibility of further risk remains.

You will remember that some time ago I indicated to the Archdiocese that we would collect ashes from the parishes affected by fire which could be distributed on Ash Wednesday as a sign of our diocesan solidarity with you and your communities.

Lent is a time of repentance and renewal, of turning to God, each other and to creation in restored relationship. The inclusion of ashes from your fires will be a sign of both of our solidarity with you and of our commitment to build a world of Easter hope for all.

I now invite you to provide ashes from fire affected parts of your community.”

Our Parish will be providing ashes from Kangaroo Island as part of this very meaningful initiative.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA
EVERY THURSDAY FROM 8.30AM TO 4.00PM**

Pray for the healing of: Maureen Munday, Ella McFadyen, Angela Young, Bill Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Gentile Monardo, Saul Moreton, Michael Sincock, Mel Smith, Anton Sylvester, Marie MacLoughlin, Michelle Smith



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 15/16 February

Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 9.00am

Proclaimer 1	Brenda Byrne	Mary Barrow
Proclaimer 2	Mary Kralj	Espi Tilbrook
Welcomer	Paul Knobloch	Beverley Ellis

Extraordinary Ministers

HOSTS

1	Pat Harrington	Angie Robusti
2	Brian Hanna	Margaret V D Linden
3	Kevin Barry	Anton Gwiazda

CHALICES

1	Kathy Barry	Tony Chaina
2	Norah Byrne	Liz Smith
3	Anne Byrne	John Van Der Linden
4	Sandy Knobloch	Theresa Tanti

MUSIC ROSTER

Projectionist		Carmel
Music	Grace	Folk Group

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD APPEAL

A special collection is being taken up this weekend in support of the work undertaken by Birthline, Right to Life in South Australia, Matercare Australia & Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc.

Thank you for your support.

LAUNCH OF PROJECT COMPASSION

You are invited to attend the launch of Caritas Australia's Project Compassion Lenten Appeal:

Saturday 22 February

6.00pm Mass

Our Lady of Mercy Church, Mt Barker

Followed by a simple meal

WHAT'S ON

Mon	Feb 10	9.00am Mass—St Luke's
Tues	Feb 11	9.00am Mass —St Luke's 12 noon Mass—St John's
Wed	Feb 12	9.15am Mass—SEM 10.00am—Noarlunga Craft Group 7.30pm Mass—St Luke's
Thurs	Feb 13	8.15am Mass—St Luke's 8.30am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 10.00am—Prayer Group 4.00pm St Luke's—Benediction 7.30pm PPC
Fri	Feb 14	9.30am Rosary—St Luke's 10.00am Mass—St Luke's
Sat	Feb 15	9.00am Reconciliation—St Luke's

CHANGE OF SCHOOL MASS TIMES

Class/school Masses at St John the Apostle School have changed this year. Mass will be on TUESDAYS at 12 noon. All welcome.

PRAYER MEETINGS

Thursdays 10.00am-12.30pm in St Luke's Meeting Room. All welcome.

**YET ANOTHER WAY WE CAN
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.

SCC NEWS

Lenten Reflection Program

The SEM Catholic community will host the Brisbane Lenten reflection program on Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent, commencing Ash Wednesday 26 February, 10.30 – 12.00 noon. The program theme is 'Compassion' and involves reflection and sharing on the Lenten Sunday gospels and their invitation to us in our daily lives. To enable us to purchase the books (\$8.80), **PLEASE SIGN THE REGISTRATION FORM** on the table at the entrance to St Luke's and the SEM worship space by Sunday 23 February.

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES ALDINGA

*Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
cnr Quinliven and How Roads*
Saturday 5.30pm
Tuesday 9.15am

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St
Sunday 9.00am
Wednesday 9.30am

KINGSCOTE

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
cnr Todd and Giles Streets*
Sunday 9.30am

NOARLUNGA

*St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve*
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
1st Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.15am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am
1st Friday
11.50am Adoration, 12.00 noon Mass

PENNESHAW

*St Columba, North Terrace
(shared with Anglicans)*
1st Sunday 3.15pm

SEAFORD

*Seaford Ecumenical Mission,
Grand Bvd*
Sunday 10.45am
Wednesday 9.15am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am
1st Friday Benediction following Mass

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am
Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am

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good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- In the ancient world, salt was essential. It was used not simply to season food or to add to its taste, but as a preservative, enabling food to be stored and kept.
- At the time of Jesus, the main source of oil for lamps was the olive. A saucer-shaped lamp held the oil, and a wick, made of flax or a similar material, burned from a small opening on the rim. Such lamps were often placed in a niche in the walls of rooms.
- Lamp oil was a precious commodity. Once lit, a lamp was often placed high to give maximum illumination.
- Ancient cities were often built on hilltops so that they were easily defended against invaders and were visible for many miles around.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

The people of Israel often described the Law of God as 'salt' because it gave zest and flavour to life and it preserved them as the people of God. Similarly, the Law was often compared to a light that showed them the path to God: 'Your word is a light to my feet and a lamp to my path' (Psalm 119:105). Jerusalem, the city on the hill, was a focal point and reminder of God's presence. Jesus gives a new focus to all these images when he applies them to those who hear his word and put it into practice. All Christians are called to be 'salt' and 'light', a 'city on the hill' giving witness to God's presence.

EXPLORING THE WORD

To understand this text, it is important to place it alongside the Beatitudes that immediately precede it. In that text, the virtues to be cultivated by followers of Jesus are outlined, but the danger with taking the Beatitudes on their own is that faith can become contented peacefulness and somewhat inward-looking.

To avoid this risk, Matthew follows the Beatitudes with this text, which teaches disciples about the task of Christians in the world. They have been given the gifts; they are the salt of the earth. But if they just see their blessedness and rest there, they risk becoming 'tasteless' and good only to be 'trampled underfoot'. Instead, the disciples are urged to place their light high on a hill and let it shine for all to see. They are witnesses to God's living presence, not just for the nation of Israel but for all the world. In seeing the way that Christians live and act—their 'good works'—others will be drawn to God through their active witness to faith. Others will come to give praise to God in heaven.

This is an amazing responsibility, and Jesus acknowledges that some salt may lose its taste and some lights be hidden. The challenge for Christians, new and old, is not to take the gift of faith for granted and let it become tasteless; not to keep the light confined to private moments but to allow others to see the difference faith makes so that they can know the presence and power of God.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(10 - 16 February)

- **Monday, 10:** St Scholastica (1 Kg 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56)
- **Tuesday, 11:** Weekday Ord Time 5 (1Kg 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13)
- **Wednesday, 12:** Weekday Ord Time 5 (1Kg 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23)
- **Thursday, 13:** Weekday Ord Time 5 (1Kg 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30)
- **Friday, 14:** Sts Cyril and Methodius (1Kg 11:29-32, 12-19; Mk 7:31-37)
- **Saturday, 15:** Weekday Ord Time 5 (1Kg 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10)
- **Sunday 16:** 6th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37)

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know.
Contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552),
Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).