Welcome to



St Luke's, Noarlunga and Seaford Ecumenical Centre (Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

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)

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Web: www.noarlungaseafordparish.org.au

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10.00am - 12.00noon

PARISH TEAM CONTACTSPARISH PRIEST

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

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr Prathap Katta (8382 1717)

PARISH MANAGER/ NEWSLETTER

Mrs Toni Fishlock - 0417 801 241; fishlock11@tpg.com.au

(Please submit newsletter items to the office by 11.30am each Wednesday)

SEAFORD

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 Wisdom 12:13,16-19 There is no god, other than you, who cares for every thing, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly.

Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how

the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Lord, you are good and forgiving.

SECOND READING Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Mt* 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!



GOSPEL Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus put a parable before the crowds: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn.""

He put another parable before them: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. *(Continued page 4)*

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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

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Antioch Co-ordinators:

Sandy & Paul Knobloch 0433 471 077

Child Safe Contact Person:Dolores McCluskey0413 810 049Nick Wright0456 470 539Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:

Dr Paul Rijken

Chairperson Liturgy Group: Margaret Burns Parish Schools and Colleges:

Galilee Learning Centre8557 9000Principal -Ms J Higgins and
Ms Sharon DoyleSt John the Apostle8382 2064Principal -Ms Dee-Anne PetersAll Saints83270020Principal -Mrs Liz KeoghCardijn College8392 9500Principal -Dr P Rijken

Church Cleaning

For weekend 25/26 July Cleaning: Leona Tane Vacuuming: Loy Goveas

Finances

For weekend 11/12 July 1st Collection \$862 Support for Archdiocesan Priests 2nd Collection \$610 (30 envelopes) Open Plate \$669 Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to the community.

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



Dinner will be available after the Youth Mass next Sunday 26 July.

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

- A distance of 2 square metres per person is to be strictly followed.
- 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.
- Collection bags are at the back of the church for envelopes, etc.

For your own safety and the safety of our community please be vigilant in following these arrangements. Thank you for your cooperation.



WELCOME

We warmly welcome Fr Arul Dev SDM (Fr Dev) who has been appointed Assistant Priest of Noarlunga Seaford Parish. We look forward to working together with Fr Dev to build our faith and community and assure him of our support and prayers.



We welcome

Amelia Reese Rivera

who will be baptised into our faith community this weekend.

We wish Amelia and her family God's richest blessings.



POSITION VACANT

Cleaner for Church Toilets

1 hour per week—some flexibility required with working hours

If interested please contact Toni Fishlock in the Parish Office on 8382 1717.

Pray for the healing of: Maureen Munday, Angela Young, Mel Smith, Anton Sylvester, Marie MacLoughlin, Michelle Smith, Catherine Kelley, Mary Szantyr, Olive Murphy, Briege Hannon, John Cooper, Francesco Martinelli, Bill Tanti, Gentile Monardo, Carlo Robusti, Pastor Mark Kaesler, Frank Martucci, Alex Barrow, Heather D'Cruz

Deceased: Betty Acton

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 25/26 July

6.00pm Proclaimer 1 Brian Hanna Proclaimer 2 Mary Kralj Welcomer

anna Liz Brown ralj Mary Barrow John Van Der Linden

9.00am

Music Roster:

Projectionist

Ministry

Praise

CALM AND CONFIDENT KIDS SEMINAR

Sandiwa

5 August in Antonio School Gym

Antonio Parents, Friends and Community are very excited to bring you this free special event with Child Psychologist Kirrilie Smout.

6.00pm

Light refreshments

6.30-8.00pm Kirrilie Smout will present her seminar

Bookings at Antonio School 8325 4500 by Monday 27 July

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA APPEAL

Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, is the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. This Appeal supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. During the COVID-19 pandemic, seafarers continue to bring products to sustain our population and economy, often at personal risk to their health. To support this ministry, please send your donations to: bit.ly/seasundayaustralia

WHAT'S ON

Mon	Jul 20	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's
Tues	Jul 21	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Wed	Jul 22	Mass at 9.15am—SCC
		Craft Group 10am—St Luke's
		Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	Jul 23	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
		Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
		10.00am-12.00noon—Prayer Group
		Benediction 2.00pm—St Luke's
 Fri	Jul 24	Rosary 9.30am—St Luke's
		Mass at 10.00am—St Luke's
 Sat	Jul 25	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's
		Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
Sun	Jul 26	Mass at 9.00am and 5.30pm—St Luke's
		Mass at 10.45am—SCC

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.

PARISH CENSUS



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN......

For the smooth running of the Noarlunga/Seaford Parish, from time to time we need to update all parish records etc.

This weekend you will find a leaflet on the information desk, please complete this leaflet and return it to the box provided in the Church foyer. Even if you have been in our Parish for 40 years and have never changed any of your particulars we would still like you to fill in a new survey form. Please pay particular attention to any changed phone numbers and email addresses as we found our records were not correct and we were unable

to contact many of our parishioners to advise of Church arrangements during the pandemic.

Thank you so much for your cooperation. You will make our lives much easier!!

Father Josy

SCC NEWS

SEM TOWN SQUARE CAFÉ has re-opened. While space is limited due to social distancing requirements, it's business as usual, including the availability of delicious frozen takeaway meals. It is suggested that you book the day before if you're planning a small group or family gathering at the Café.

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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WILLUNGA PARISH Phone 8556 2132 (www.willungaparish.org.au) *(Continued from page 1)* It is the smallest of all seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'

He told them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfil the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us." He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

EXPLORING THE WORD

The contrast between the good and bad seed reflects a reality within Matthew's community. This text highlights the difficulty of being a Church called to spread the good news while there are some within its ranks who scandalise others by their bad behaviour or decadent way of life.

This parable counsels patience. The answer to the dilemma is to let both the righteous and the lawless members of the community, grow together until the harvest time and then let God be the judge.

Ultimately, this parable assures its hearers that God will not allow evil to destroy what is good.

In the longer version of this gospel, the short parables of the kingdom compare it to a mustard seed and to the yeast in dough. Both are small and insignificant but both develop almost imperceptibly and once begun, there is no stopping them.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Darnel is an annual grass commonly found in grain fields as a weed. When it first shoots it looks very much like wheat.
- There are echoes in this gospel of the final judgment when the good will be separated from the bad, the sheep from the goats, the weeds from the harvest.
- The Jewish faith has a profound respect for the name of God and the holy name is never pronounced or even written in full. The Gospel of Matthew is the most Jewish of the Gospels and characteristically always refers to the kingdom of heaven rather than the kingdom of God.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS (20 - 27 July)

- *Monday, 20:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Micah 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42)
- *Tuesday, 21:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Micah 7:14-15, 18-30; Mt 12:46-50)
- *Wednesday, 22:* St Mary Magdalene (Song 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18)
- *Thursday, 23:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17)
- *Friday, 24:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 16 (Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23)
- *Saturday, 25:* St James (2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28)
- *Sunday 26:* 17th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1Kg 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52)

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).