



I am  
with you  
always.

Mt 28:20

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)

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - 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)

Email: nswcp@tpg.com.au

Web: www.noarlunga-seafordparish.org.au

### OFFICE HOURS

Please ring and enquire - hours will be different to normal

### PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

#### • PARISH 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

*Acts 1:1-11*

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom of Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when

suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 46:2-3, 6-9*

*God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.*

### SECOND READING

*Ephesians 1:17-23*

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his

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**Baptism of Infants:** 8382 1717  
**Children's Faith Formation**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
**Ministry to Sick:**  
 Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579  
**Antioch Co-ordinators:**  
 Sandy & Paul Knobloch 0433 471 077  
**Child Safe Contact Person:**  
 Dolores McCluskey 0413 810 049  
 Nick Wright 0456 470 539  
**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

**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.

**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).

**EMERGENCIES**

For urgent matters, please contact

Fr. Josy — 0452 524 169  
 Toni Fishlock — 0417 801 241

The Parish Office will be opened between 10.00am—12.00 noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

**RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES**

- Churches are now re-opened for **Private Prayer**. Numbers will be restricted to 10 people plus staff. Churches will not be open for either private/public masses except for funerals, weddings and baptisms.
- **Funerals** now permitted to have 20 indoors and 30 outdoors plus those officiating.
- **Weddings** now permitted to have 10 people plus those officiating.
- **Private Baptisms** are allowed to resume from June with 10 people plus those officiating.

St. Luke's Catholic Church will be opened for private prayer from 10.00am to 2.00pm every day.

**Parish Masses online**

We are compiling a list of parishes and communities that are offering Masses online (via Websites, Facebook or Zoom). The list is now available on the Archdiocesan website. If you wish to have your parish listed, or notice it has not been included please email [events@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:events@adelaide.catholic.org.au) to be added. [Click here to see current list.](#)

**Decade a Day in May**

Decade a Day in May - pray a decade of the Rosary each day in May for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. When you sign up to the email list you'll receive a short reflection each day during May. To subscribe go to [vocationsadelaide.catholic.org.au](http://vocationsadelaide.catholic.org.au) [Click here for A Decade a Day in May – Week 4.](#)

**St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal**

The St Vincent de Paul Society has launched its COVID-19 Winter Appeal to help people experiencing disadvantage. As the impact of job losses due to COVID-19 are realised and more people reach out for assistance, the organisation needs your help to ensure local Conference members and volunteers can continue their work supporting the disadvantaged in our community. Donations can be made online at [www.vinnies.org.au/donate](http://www.vinnies.org.au/donate), by calling 13 18 12 or by sending a cheque or money order to St Vincent de Paul Society, GPO Box 1804 Adelaide, SA, 5001.

**INSTALLATION OF ARCHBISHOP OF ADELAIDE**

**Live streaming and broadcasting of the installation of Archbishop designate Patrick O'Regan**

The installation will be held in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 10.30am on Monday May 25 with only a small number of clergy and representatives of the Archdiocese in attendance due to the coronavirus restrictions.

The installation ceremony and Mass will be live streamed via the Archdiocesan website [www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au) and on YouTube and Facebook. It will be replayed on Channel 44 the same day at 5.30pm.

**“CHRIST’S COURIER”**

Peter Laffan from the Kangaroo Island, Willunga and Noarlunga-Seaford Cluster of Parishes has been producing a weekly newsletter during the coronavirus lockdown called “Christ’s Courier”. It is supplementing the regular weekly bulletin with reflections on *faith, hope and love in a time of coronavirus*. If you have not received it via email and would like to, please contact Peter Laffan at [impe@internode.on.net](mailto:impe@internode.on.net)

## TO OUR AMAZING IRREPLACABLE VOLUNTEERS

You are the reason our parishes run so smoothly.  
Our sincere thanks to you all for the huge amount of time you so willingly give.  
Your intentions will be remembered in a Mass during Volunteer Month (May)

*Thank you*

### LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES

#### Live streaming of Masses from St Francis Xavier's Cathedral

The Archdiocese is continuing to live stream **daily Mass at midday and on Sundays at 10am** from St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. These Masses can be viewed live and on demand on the home page of [www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au).

For those without internet access the Sunday Mass is now being replayed **on Channel 44 at 4pm every week.**

An interstate service is screened live every week on **Channel 10 at 6am.**

### PRAYER DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC



#### Prayer of Entrustment of Australia to Immaculate Mary, Our Lady Help of Christians

O Immaculate Mary, Help of Christians, Queen of Heaven and Earth, and tender Mother of humanity, at this time when a pandemic threatens all of your children, we entrust to you our nation, Australia, and all who live in this country.

We commit to your intercession all the members of our community, beginning with the weakest ones, from unborn to the sick, the disabled and the elderly. We commit to you our families, our young and old, and all who are vulnerable, those who are quarantined or anxious. We entrust to your Immaculate Heart those who have lost their livelihood or employment, our pastors and other essential service workers, and our leaders at this time.

We implore your intercession especially for the protection of nurses and doctors and those who minister to the contagious sick in this crisis. Reign over us Mother of God and teach us how to make the Heart of Jesus reign in triumph in us and around us, as it has reigned and triumphed in you!

Amen

We kindly request all parishioners to return their Project Compassion boxes/envelopes to the office during Office Hours, Tuesday—Thursdays between 10.00 am –12.00 noon.

We thank you for your generosity and support.

*Thank You*

### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

### COLLECTIONS

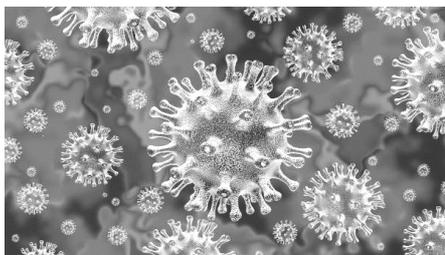
#### *Direct Payments*

1. Go to [www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation) and follow the prompts. If you wish to donate to both the first and second collections, you will need to do this twice. For the first collection select *First Collection* and for the second collection, select *General*.
2. If you bank online, you can set up periodic, direct payments yourself. Again, you will need to do this twice—once for the first collection and again for the second.  
Acc: Noarlunga Seaford Parish  
BSB: 085-005  
Acc No: 489 753 939  
Ref: Your surname, Initials and *First or General*
3. Periodic regular payments may also be organized with your bank. Take the account details (above) with you and bank staff can set it up for you.

**NB:** *First collection* is for the support of our Priests and *General* is for the support of our Parish.

For those who require a CDF form, please contact the office.

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE



### THERE WILL BE NO MASSES OR PUBLIC LITURGIES IN ANY OF OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION  
PLEASE SEE THE NEWSLETTER  
ON YOUR PARISH WEBSITE

#### KANGAROO ISLAND PARISH

([www.kicatholic.org.au](http://www.kicatholic.org.au))

##### KINGSCOTE

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

##### PENNESHAW

*St Columba, North Terrace*



#### NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD PARISH

([www.noarlunga-seafordparish.org.au](http://www.noarlunga-seafordparish.org.au))

##### NOARLUNGA

*St Luke, the Evangelist,  
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve*

##### SEAFORD

*Seaford Ecumenical Mission,  
Grand Bvd*



#### VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

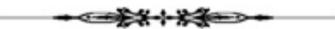
([www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au](http://www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au))

##### VICTOR HARBOR

*St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road*

##### GOOLWA

*St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St*



#### WILLUNGA PARISH

([www.willungaparish.org.au](http://www.willungaparish.org.au))

##### ALDINGA

*Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple  
cnr Quinliven and How Roads*

##### NORMANVILLE

*St Peter, Cape Jervis Road*

##### WILLUNGA

*St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street*

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body, the fullness of him who fills  
the whole creation.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Mt 28:19,20*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Go and teach all people my gospel. I  
am with you always, until the end of  
the world. Alleluia!*

### GOSPEL

*Matthew 28:16-20*

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'



### THE SPIRIT THAT MOVES US

A few months ago I started looking for a box of old letters and ended up cleaning out my entire rolltop desk. It took me the better part of a day and I had a bag of rubbish and a collection of keepsake letters to show for my work. One of the letters I found that day was from my great aunt, Josephine McNulty, the youngest sister of my maternal grandfather. Aunt Jo was a career woman who worked for a number of big companies. Jo was maybe five feet tall with blue eyes that twinkled behind rimless glasses. She was a letter writer, the family archivist, and generous to a fault.

The letter I found that day was dated 1 February, 1976. It read in part:

'When I see young nuns with short dresses and nothing to show for their vocations, it saddens me, but I do not condemn or criticise. Only the young people can carry on the work of the church and if changes are in order, I will change with them ... I know basically their faith is probably greater

than mine'.

I had just begun my work in the church when I read that letter. I recognised her words for what they were ... a mission statement from God's Holy Spirit written in Aunt Jo's hand: Go do the work to which you are called.

In these difficult days, when many unfamiliar changes have been forced upon us, we know the work and the church go on with our help. God's Holy Spirit remains with us. Trust that.

*GPBS eNews*

### DID YOU NOW?

- Pentecost was originally a Jewish harvest festival that was celebrated fifty days after the Passover. It was one of the great 'pilgrimage' festivals, which meant that people came to celebrate this feast at the temple. It was for this festival that so many pilgrims were present in Jerusalem on the day when the Spirit was manifested in the lives of the disciples.
- The Christian feast of Pentecost is fifty days after Easter and is the culmination of the Lent-Easter-Pentecost cycle.
- The church teaches that the Holy Spirit brings both gifts and fruits to the faithful



### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(25 - 31 May)

- **Monday, 25:** OUR LADY, HELP of CHRISTIANS (Sirach 4:11-18; 1 Cor 1:18-25; Jn 19:25-27)
- **Tuesday, 26:** St Philip Neri (Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11)
- **Wednesday, 27:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> week Easter (Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11-19)
- **Thursday, 28:** Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> week Easter (Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26)
- **Friday, 29:** Friday 7<sup>th</sup> week Easter (Acts 25:13-21; Jn 21:15-19)
- **Saturday, 30:** Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> week Easter (Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25)
- **Sunday 31:** PENTECOST SUNDAY (Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; Jn 20:19-23)

### 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).