

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and Seaford Ecumenical Centre

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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)

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

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ASSISTANT PRIESTS

Fr Prathap Katta (8382 1717) Fr Arul Dev

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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 – SEM (Catholic Community Coordinator - 0400 035 462)

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159



FIRST READING

Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 62:2-8

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom

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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 14/15 November Cleaning: Sharon Fletcher Vacuuming: Rajiv Govind

Finances

For weekend 1 November
1st Collection \$546
Support for Archdiocesan Priests
2nd Collection \$1433 (34 envelopes)
Open Plate \$790

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

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

Notice Board:



Congratulations and God's Blessings to all who are celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary in November.

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.
- Please 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 MAXIMUM OF 6 MEMBERS

11 NOVEMBER—REMEMBRANCE (ARMISTICE) DAY

On 11 November 1918, the guns of the Western Front fell silent after four years of



continuous warfare. With their armies retreating and close to collapse, German leaders signed an Armistice, bringing to an end the First World War. In the four years of the war more than 330,000 Australians had served overseas, and more than 60,000 of them had died. The social effects of these losses cast a long shadow over the post war decades. Each year on this day Australians observe one

minute's silence at 11am, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts. On 11 November 2020, the Australian War Memorial will hold a nationally televised Remembrance Day commemorative ceremony, broadcast live across Australia by the ABC and available later on ABC iview.

As always, the service will include the laying of wreaths and a minute's silence on the eleventh hour.



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.

PARISH SURVEY

The 2020 Noarlunga-Seaford Catholic Parish Pulse survey seeks quick and simple feedback from our Parish community so that the Parish Pastoral Council can begin planning for a POST COVID-19 time which is supportive of the Parish community.

The survey will be distributed at Masses on three weekends commencing 14/15 November and will be available online with the link published in the Newsletter on 14/15 November.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9.30AM TO 2.00PM **Pray for the healing of:** Shirley Lavender, Bill Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Gentile Monardo, Marlene Hemming, Valerie Wallis, Janet Hanna, Heather D'Cruz, Megan Whitford



Deceased:

Ministry

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 14/15 Nov

| | 6.00pm | 9.00am |
|----------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Proclaimer 1 | Annabelle Fernandez | Mary Barrow |
| Proclaimer 2 | Paul Knobloch | Liz Brown |
| Welcomer | | Erica Badics |
| Roster: | | |
| Projectionist | | |

CEASING OF BROADCAST ON CHANNEL 44

Sandiwa

Praise

Our Sunday Mass broadcast on Channel 44 will air for the last time on Sunday, November 8 at 5pm.

Sunday Mass will continue to be streamed on the Archdiocese's YouTube Channel, with the assistance of a more permanent system in the Cathedral. We will also continue our relationship with C44 for major events throughout the year. If you know of any friends or family that have been accessing C44 for Mass, please share this message.

PEOPLES CHOICE 2020 LOTTERY



Over the past years the congregations of Seaford and Noarlunga Downs have supported this lottery because we keep the funds raised. In this COVID year rather than having raffle books this lottery is to be done on line. There are still over \$300,000 in prizes that include two cars.

To purchase tickets enter this WEB address: Communitylottery.peopleschoice.com.au

Press enter
Click on: Peoples Choice 2020 lottery
Click on: BUY TICKETS (top of page)
Click on CHURCH

Scroll down to St Luke's Sharing Through Craft

and Click

Enter the number of tickets you require and click **ADD TO**CART

Tick 'agree' to terms box and click in CHECK OUT

Fill in your details and select your pay option.

An email will be sent to you with your tickets

WHAT'S ON

Mon Nov 9 Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's

| Tues | Nov 10 | Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's | |
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| | | Mass at 9.15—St John's | |
| | | Parish Pastoral Council 7.00pm | |
| Wed | Nov 11 | Mass at 9.15am—SCC/All Saints | |
| | | Craft Group 10am | |
| | | Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's | |
| Thurs Nov 12 | | Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's | |
| | | Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am | |
| | | Prayer Meeting 10am | |
| | | Benediction 2.00pm—St Luke's | |
| Fri | Nov 13 | Rosary 9.30am—St Luke's | |
| | | Mass at 10.00am—St Luke's | |
| Sat | Nov 14 | Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's | |
| | | Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's | |
| Sun | Nov 15 | Mass at 9.00am and 5.30pm—St Luke's | |
| | | Mass at 10.45am—SCC | |
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REACHING BEYOND 2020



People of all trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. Restrictions this year have made communities' needs acute, but your assistance will help to develop

self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. <u>Palms Australia</u> will provide you with thorough preparation to ensure your readiness as travel resumes, and support on assignment

See www.palms.org.au and talk to Roger on 0431 995 058, or email palms@palms.org.au

NEWS FROM SCC

SCC Annual General Meeting. This will be held on Thursday, November 19 at 7.30 pm. It's been a challenging year, but life in SCC has continued to develop. It is an opportunity to familiarise ourselves with the workings of the organisation that, not only provides a home for 5 Christian communities to gather and worship, but also has a number of activities and outreach services to support people's lives in the wider Seaford community. Pleas mark the date on your calendar and come along to this important meeting.

Christmas Lunch. You are invited to join us for Christmas Lunch \$12 pp including choice of dessert, and tea or coffee at SCC(SEM) Cafe on Friday November 27 at 12.15pm. Tickets available from Frank Busuttil: tel 0405 741 732 or following Sunday Mass at SCC or in person at SCC Cafe.

Preparing your heart and soul for Christmas. In the midst of busy preparation for the celebration of Christmas with family and friends, take some time out each week to participate in in an Advent reflection group. There will be an ecumenical group gathering to reflect on the Gospels of the Sundays of Advent at SCC/SEM each Wednesday morning from 10.30 am to 12.00 noon. Please register your interest by contacting Sr Bernie, 0400 035 642, so that materials can be prepared.

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(The following conditions apply for the time being)

- 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.
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided at this time.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Offertory procession will be omitted.
- 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.
- 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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(Continued from page 1) was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- A solemn procession from the house of the bride's father to the house of the bridegroom was an important part of the Jewish wedding ceremony. These bridesmaids are a 'guard of honour' to greet the groom on his return with his bride. Sometimes problems with the marriage contract or the unhurried exchange of gifts between families lead to long delays in their return.
- Jesus referred to himself as a bridegroom (Mk 2:19–20) and the Church is sometimes referred to as the bride of Christ.

EXPLORING THE WORD

As the public ministry of Jesus draws to a close, Matthew introduces the themes of delay and the need to be ready for the second coming of Christ. Matthew's community were living in the 'in-between' times. Christ's victory over death through his resurrection had begun a new phase in history but it was not yet complete. Completion would only come with his return in glory. We again hear the familiar imagery of the messianic banquet or wedding

feast to which all are invited. But only those who live with an attitude of openness and readiness will come into the great hall. Today's parable speaks strongly of the need to live in the present with an eye to the future. We cannot live only for the 'now' with no thought for our ultimate goal, nor can we ignore the sufferings and responsibilities of the present and set our hearts only on heaven.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

- The lamp oil represents those resources we have to meet the challenge of being ready: our actions, our faith, our service to others, our prayer, how much we have loved. It is not that the sensible virgins are being selfish; it is simply that this kind of oil—the way we live our lives—cannot be exchanged. We have to rely on our own resources to be ready.
- Think about the priorities in your own life. What are the activities that take up your time and energy? Are they the kinds of activities that prepare you to meet the bridegroom?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(09 - 15 November)

- *Monday*, *09*: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9,12; Jn 2:13-22)
- *Tuesday, 10:* St Leo the Great (Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10)
- *Wednesday, 11:* St Martin of Tours (Titus 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19)
- *Thursday, 12:* St Josaphat (Philemon 7-20; Lk 17:20-25)
- *Friday, 13:* Weekday, Ord Time 32 (2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37)
- *Saturday, 14:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 32 (3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8)
- *Sunday 19:* 33rd Sunday, Ordinary Time (Prov 31:10-13, 19-20m 30-31; 1 Thess 5:1-61; Mt 25:14-30)

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).