



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 - Friday
10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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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

Exodus 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, ‘Tell the sons of Israel this:

“You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

“If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

“If you take another’s cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51

I love you, Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

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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 31 Oct/1 Nov

Cleaning: Grace Mogg &
Adele Revina

Vacuuming: Bill Aldridge

Finances

For weekend 17/18 October

1st Collection \$637

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$832 (38 envelopes)

Open Plate \$538

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:

Oct 31 Faith on Fire Seminar
- Fr Selva Raj

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**



**CATHOLIC MISSION – 2020 APPEAL
(OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH)**

October Catholic Mission Appeal, with its theme inspired by Nehemiah 8:10, “for the joy of the Lord is your strength”. This year our appeal focuses on the work of the Church in Cambodia, reaching out to those who have been affected by disability, whilst supporting work in over 1100 dioceses worldwide and 14 parishes within Australia. Please support Catholic Mission via envelopes, online catholicmission.org.au/Cambodia or Text GIVE to 0488 854 436 (include your parish name in the notes).

BISHOPS' STATEMENT ON ABORTION BILL

Archbishop Patrick O'Regan and Bishop Greg O'Kelly SJ have issued a joint statement expressing their concern over the Termination of Pregnancy Bill, saying the removal of current safeguards would further increase the rate of abortion on demand and put vulnerable women at greater risk of economic and social coercion. The bishops said the provision for abortions to take place from 22 weeks and six days up until full term, with the approval of two medical practitioners, was deeply concerning. Parishioners are encouraged to contact their local MP to urge them to vote against the Bill.

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.

For details on how to purchase tickets please refer to the insert in last week's newsletter or take an information sheet available on the Information Desk.

**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, Mary Szantyr, Shirley Lavender, Bill Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Gentile Monardo, Marlene Hemming, Valerie Wallis, Janet Hanna, Heather D'Cruz



Deceased: Eligio Concengco

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 31 Oct/1 Nov

	6.00pm	9.00am
Proclaimer 1		Beverley Ellis
Proclaimer 2	Juliet Groveas	Erica Badics
Welcomer	Mary Kralj	John Van Der Linden
Roster:		
Projectionist	Nick	Frank
Ministry		Folk Group

UPDATE ON THE PLENARY COUNCIL

The first session of the Plenary Council has been postponed till next October in Adelaide, because of the pandemic. In the meantime, the Plenary Executive is encouraging communities to take the time to read and respond to the Six Discernment Papers that have been written as a result of the "Listening and Discernment" second phase of consultation. These papers have been prepared by Writing Groups selected from people who put their hand up to be involved. Each one offers a description of the particular theme, such as "Missionary and Evangelizing", a description of the "pastoral reality" that theme is considering, a "theological vision" of the elements of a faith response, "major challenges" the Church faces in that area, and "prioritized questions and proposals for change". These are all available online at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/continuing-the-journey-of-discernment/>. A meeting format for discussing the papers is at <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Reflection-Resource-2020.pdf>.

Archbishop Pat is encouraging parishes to organise meetings to discuss these papers, whether in person or online. An Adelaide group, called Catholics for an Evolving Church is holding monthly online zoom meetings on a range of issues arising from the papers. The next one is focusing on Indigenous involvement in the Australian Catholic Church, as reflected in the Plenary papers. It will be held on Thursday 22 October at 7.30pm. To register, contact Kevin Liston at kevin.liston1@gmail.com. If you would like to help organise a discussion on any of the papers, please contact Peter Laffan on 0488 062 112 or impe@internode.on.net.

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.

WHAT'S ON

Mon	Oct 26	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's
Tues	Oct 27	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's Mass at 9.15—St John's
Wed	Oct 28	Mass at 9.15am—SCC Craft Group 10am All Saints Board Mtg 7pm Cardijn Board Mtg 7.30 Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	Oct 29	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am Prayer Meeting 10am Benediction 2.00pm—St Luke's
Fri	Oct 30	All Saints Day Mass 9.15am—All Saints Rosary 9.30am—St Luke's Mass at 10.00am—St Luke's
Sat	Oct 31	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
Sun	Nov 1	Mass at 9.00am and 5.30pm—St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC

CHRISTMAS LUNCHES AT SCC

Due to COVID seating restrictions we will be holding 2 Christmas lunches at Seaford Christian Churches (formerly SEM) Cafe on the following dates:

Tuesday November 27 and Friday December 8 at 12.15pm.

Menu: Turkey with all the trimmings and choice of Christmas pudding or Pavlova. Tickets \$12pp available from the SCC Cafe 9-1.30pm or after Mass at SCC.

FAITH ON FIRE SEMINAR

Guest Speaker & Celebrant Fr Selva Raj

Unpacking the Parable of Lazarus and the Rich Man

10.30am-3.30pm, Saturday 31 October

St Peter Claver Church

8 Stuart Road, Dulwich

Coffee & tea provided, please bring your own lunch

To register: 0419 144872

Includes teaching, reflection, Mass and Adoration

Further information on Church noticeboard.

A LITTLE BIT OF PASTORAL CARE

Earlier this year three little glass fronted display cupboards were emptied at Onkaparinga Lodge (a Southern Cross Care Facility within our Parish).

Much to the delight of the residents, Joanna Lavelle lent us a selection of her hand made miniatures to put on show in the cupboards. They gave so much pleasure to so many that we are now looking to have another display.

If you collect "little things" - thimbles, matchbox cars, little ceramics and the like and would be prepared to lend some to us you would be giving our elderly friends some real pleasure.

Each of the three cupboards has four shelves approx 12cm deep and 20cm high and are locked at all times.

If you think you might have something of interest please speak to Mary Thomson Ph 8382 9476 or leave a message so I can get back to you. Thank you so much.

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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GOSPEL

Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

DID YOU KNOW?

- The commandment which Jesus quotes first is part of a famous Jewish declaration of faith known as the Shema from Deut 6:4. 'Hear O Israel, the Lord, our God, is one ...' This text is written out and placed inside small boxes called mezuzah which are placed on the door posts of Jewish homes. Each time a person passes through the door, they touch the mezuzah, thus making this declaration of faith several times a day.
- The second commandment quoted comes from Leviticus 19:18. Both statements are part of the Jewish Law.
- The term 'the Law and the prophets' implies the whole teaching of Judaism. The Books of the Law, known as the Torah, are the first five books of the Bible, often called the Pentateuch.

EXPLORING THE WORD

This is the final public encounter between Jesus and his enemies in Matthew's Gospel. They are seeking to expose his lack of professional knowledge of the Scriptures or to trap him into giving more weight to one of the Ten Commandments, which are viewed as equally important. Jesus cuts the ground

from under them. No-one could argue with his answer!

But if the dual command of love was present in the Jewish Law, what new thing did Jesus bring? His originality places love of God and love of neighbour together. It is not possible to love God and despise people. God and the human situation are intimately interwoven. This is shown most perfectly in the person of Jesus himself—Son of Man and Son of God; fully human and fully divine. Followers of Jesus must also embody the dual commandment of love.

MAKING CONNECTIONS

St Paul describes what love is like in a beautiful passage in his first letter to the Corinthians:

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous. Love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins, but delights in the truth. It is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, to endure whatever comes.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(26 October - 1 November)

- **Monday, 26:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 30 (Eph 4:32-5:8; Lk 13:10-17)
- **Tuesday, 27:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 30 (Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21)
- **Wednesday, 28:** Sts Simon and Jude (Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Thursday, 29:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 30 (Eph 6:10-22; Lk 13:31-35)
- **Friday, 30:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 30 (Phil 1:1-11; Lk 14:1-6)
- **Saturday, 31:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 30 (Phil 1:18-26; Lk 14:1, 7-11)
- **Sunday 01:** ALL SAINTS (Apoc 7:2-4, 9-14; 1Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12)

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).