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)

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

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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

Tuesday - Friday 10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian - on leave until Ash Wednesday (jponnambal@gmail.com)

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr Dominick Okwadha (8382 1717; 0421 074 212; okwadha@yahoo.com)

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 – SCC (Catholic Community Coordinator - 0400 035 462)

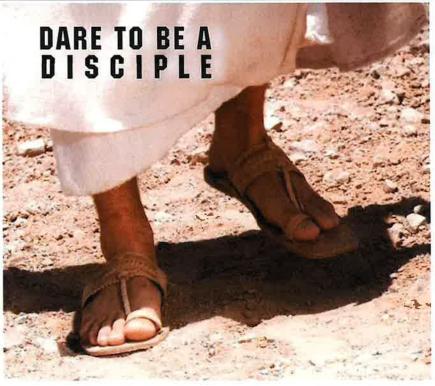
CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

REGULAR WEEKEND MASSES

- SATURDAY EVENING
 6.00pm St Luke's, Noarlunga
- SUNDAYS

9.00am - St Luke's, Noarlunga 10.45am - SCC, Seaford 11.00am - 1st Sun - St Luke's: Spanish 2.00pm - 2nd Sun - St Luke's: Filipino 5.30pm - St Luke's: Youth Mass



FIRST READING

Jeremiah 17:5-8

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.

'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 1:1-4

Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been

raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor: (Continued page 4)

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

Pastoral Associate:

Gabrielle Byrne

0422 804 579

Child Safe Contact Person:

Nicoline Henderson

0404 297 930

Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:

Dr Paul Rijken

Chairperson Liturgy Group:

Margaret Burns

Parish Schools and Colleges:

St John the Apostle

8382 2064

Principal - Ms Lee-Anne Johansen

All Saints

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Principal - Mrs Liz Keogh

Cardijn College

8392 9500

Principal - Dr P Rijken

Heads of Campus:

Cardijn College—Mr Pat Harmer

Galilee—Mr Nick Wright 8557 9000

Marcellin-Mr Gianni Petrucci

Church Cleaning

19 Feb:

Cleaning:

Leona Tane

Vacuuming: Nick Fernandes

Finances 22/23 Jan

1st Collection \$641

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$520 (31 envelopes)

Open Plate \$573

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is open 10.00am-3.00pm on Tuesday—Friday For any emergencies please contact Fr Josy on 0452 524 169 or Toni Fishlock on 0417 801 241.

Noticeboard:

Feb 17 Charismatic Mass

Mar 5 Lenten Retreat— Power of Prayer

IMPORTANT COVID RULES ARE TO BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED.

These rules are listed on the back of this Newsletter.

PEOPLES CHOICE 2021 LOTTERY



Over past years the congregations of Seaford and Noarlunga Downs have supported this lottery because we keep the funds raised. We've averaged about \$4000 a year and this has been spent on items for improvements in the churches, priests' vestments and support for our Parish. In these COVID times rather than having raffle books it is to be done on line. There are still over \$300,000 in prizes that include two cars.

Here's how to purchase your tickets:

Enter this WEB address: communitylottery.peopleschoice.com.au

Press

enter

Click on:

Peoples Choice 2021 lottery

Click on:

BUY TICKETS at the top of the 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

For any enquiries please contact Richard Baxter on 8382 1717.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD APPEAL -19/20 February

A special collection will be taken up next weekend in support of the work undertaken by Birthline Pregnancy Support, Mothers without Medicare & Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc.

The Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion.

We thank you in anticipation for your generous support of those who work tirelessly with individuals and families who require these important resources and services.

FUNERAL SERVICE

The funeral of Grace Mogg will be held at St Luke's next week.

Please contact office for further details

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA **EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9.00AM TO 12.30PM** Pray for the healing of: William Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Gentile Monardo, Angela Young, Cherie Morrison, David Healey, Helen Byrne, Philip Peppin, Margaret Mottram, Joe Busuttil



Deceased: Grace Mogg

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 19/20 February

6.00pm

9.00am

Fri

Proclaimer 1

Merrilyn St Aude

Erica Badics

Proclaimer 2

Brenda Byrne

Maria Nolan

Welcomer

Annabelle Fernandez Gabby Connelly

RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED

Every year we run an RCIA program through the parish for those wishing to join the Catholic Church family. Not everyone knows or has a close connection with a Catholic to walk this journey with them by being their Sponsor.

If you feel this is something you could do and would like more information, please contact Gabrielle Byrne on 0422 804 579.

PALMS GLOBAL MISSION

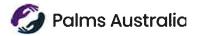
Now that restrictions on international travel are starting to ease, Palms Global Mission is redoubling its efforts to respond to overseas communities' requests to assist them through skills exchange.

Those considering a Global Mission placement can be advised of the following support:

- The Archdiocese will support the preparation costs of participants at Palms' Orientation Courses and a re-entry weekend on their return from mission placement.
- Catholic Bishops support a Lay Missionary Gratuity Fund that provides a payment of \$2500 for each year one is on this mission.

Palms negotiations with Catholic schools assures great support and benefits for teachers giving up to two years for this mission. Teachers should talk with Palms about the details.

For more information, visit www.palms.org.au/currentopportunities/



WHAT'S ON

Mon Feb 14 Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's Tues Feb 15 Mass at 9.00am-St Luke's St John's Mass-Cancelled

Wed Feb 16 Mass SCC—9.15am St Luke's Craft Group 10.00am Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's

Mass St Luke's—9am Thurs Feb 17 **Exposition of Blessed Sacrament** Prayer Meeting 10am Benediction 12.30pm Rosary St Luke's-6.45pm

Rosary St Luke's—9.30am Feb 18

Mass St Luke's-10.00am Sat Feb 19 Reconciliation St Luke's-9.00am

Mass at St Luke's—6.00pm Sun Feb 20 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 9.00am & 5.30pm —St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC

Mass at 5.30pm—St Luke's

LENTEN RETREAT The Power of Prayer

Listening & Living

With

Fr Lancy D'Silva CSC

Praise & Worship: Teaching: Adoration: Mass

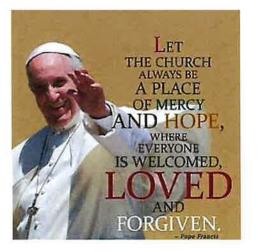
Saturday 5 March 2022

10.30am to 3.30pm

St Peter Claver Church, 8 Stuart Rd, Dulwich

Tea and Coffee provided: Bring own food only Covid 19 protocol still to be observed.

Donations appreciated. Contact: 0407 060 715



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 7 February, 2022)

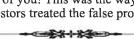
- Places of Worship are restricted to 3:4 sqm with social distancing of 1.5ms. A change in wording means that a wedding and funeral (previously viewed as a private activity) is taken to mean a defined public activity (in our circumstance a ceremony: religious/faith-based ceremony) and the 3:4sqm applies.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (An official medical certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Social distancing is mandatory DO NOT CONGREGATE at entry/exit and outside. No communal gathering after Mass.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log both located at the entrance to the Church
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- Offertory procession will be omitted.
 Communion is given only in hands.
 Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- The Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccination for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage. You may wish to access:
 Mass for You at Home – The official

Mass for You at Home – The officia website of Mass For You At Home, Australia online and on Channel 10 every Sunday at 6 am.

(Continued from page 1) yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets. 'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'



A LOVING PARTNER

An 8-year-old child of a couple in the parish was devastated when their football team never made it to the semi-finals. He asked his father how there could be a God since no one answered his or all the other long-suffering fans' fervent prayers for the team.

Patiently, the father explained to his son that God has more important issues to deal with than the football semi-finals. The child grew quiet and then with tears in his eyes asked his father very softly, "Then how could have God allowed the Holocaust?" "Talk to your mother" was the only answer the father had left.

It's not easy to trust in God. We are consistently tempted to find facile answers and easy solutions to problems of incredible magnitude and complexity. We have the need to solve all problems, to sew up all the loose ends, to fold everything into a neat package.

Unfortunately, life isn't that predictable. Nothing reminds us of questions that lurk hidden inside us more than the reality of death, especially of a loved one for whom we have been praying. How much easier it is to believe in God and to relate to God when life is going well, when we appear to be getting all for which we pray.

In the reality that is our human

existence, God is a loving partner who struggles alongside us on life's journey, not some wish-fulfilling magician who capriciously changes what is going to be.

The Commissioning: We trust God. In the hard places of life and in life's celebrations, we trust God. In moments of despair and in moments of great joy, we trust God. When loved ones support us and when they forget us, we trust God. When we stand firmly for what is right and when we weakly compromise, we trust God. When we join with others in the work of Jesus Christ and when we go it alone, we trust God. Nothing can separate us from God or from God's love. Nothing in all creation. We trust God. GPBS eNews

EXPLORING THE WORD

Luke does not speak of 'the poor in spirit' or 'those who hunger and thirst for justice' as Matthew does. Luke is much more interested in the lived experience of those who are literally poor, hungry and suffering. They were the ones who were persecuted under the status quo of their day, and it was they who had an openness to the new order announced by Jesus' preaching of the kingdom. The powerful, who directed the established order of the day, could not bear such a challenge to their own position and thus they will 'drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal' for preaching the new order of God's kingdom. Such is the challenge to those who are disciples.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(14 - 20 February)

- Monday, 14: Sts Cyril and Methodius (James 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13)
- *Tuesday, 15:* Weekday, Ord Time 6 (James 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21)
- *Wednesday, 16:* Weekday, Ord Time 6 (James 1:19-27; Mk 8:22-26)
- Thursday, 17: Weekday, Ord Time 6 (James 2:1-9; Mk 8:27-33)
- *Friday, 18:* Weekday, Ord Time 6 (James 2:14-24, 26; Mk 8:34 9:1)
- Saturday, 19: Weekday, Ord Time 5 (James 3:1-10; 13:33-34; Mk 9:2-13)
- Sunday, 20: 7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a priest for anointing prior to medical treatment or if you are ill (not necessarily life-threatening) or for last rites please contact: (08) 8382 1717; or in an emergency 0421 074 212.

