



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 OF EASTER - YEAR B

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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

Fr Josy Sebastian (8382 1717;  
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[jponnambal@gmail.com](mailto:jponnambal@gmail.com))

### • ASSISTANT PRIESTS

Fr Prathap Katta  
(8382 1717)

Fr Arul Dev  
(8382 1717)

### • PARISH MANAGER/ NEWSLETTER

Mrs Toni Fishlock - 0417 801 241;  
[fishlock11@tpg.com.au](mailto: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

*Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48*

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 97:1-4*

*The Lord has revealed to the  
nations his saving power.*

## SECOND READING

*1 John 4:7-10*

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love.

God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Jn 14:23*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

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

## GOSPEL

*John 15:9-17*

Jesus said to his disciples:

*'As the Father has loved me, so have  
I loved you. Remain in my love.  
If you keep my commandments you  
will remain in my love, just as I have  
kept my Father's commandments*

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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:**

**St John the Apostle** 8382 2064

Principal - Ms Lee-Anne Johansen

**All Saints** 83270020

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 Chris Burrows

**Church Cleaning**

For weekend 15/16 May

Cleaning: Pat Harrington &  
Jane Van Vliet

Vacuuming: Denise Bachman

**Finances 1/2 May**

1st Collection \$764

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$565 (36 envelopes)

Open Plate \$674

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 emergencies please contact

Fr Josy on 0452 524 169 or

Toni Fishlock on 0417 801 241.

**Noticeboard:**

20 May Charismatic Mass

22 May 2021 Pentecost Vigil for Youth

22/23 May Pentecost Weekend

**Project Compassion receipts  
are now available from the  
Information Desk.**

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH SA GOVERNMENT COVID RULES  
PLEASE NOTE:**

**Due to numbers attending Masses at St Luke's (less than 75% capacity)  
masks are not required, but social distancing is recommended.**

**\*\*However if members of the congregation would like to sing it is a  
requirement that they wear a mask.\*\***

**You must still record your name and phone number in the book provided  
in the foyer OR use the QR code.**

**More details are on Page 4 of this Newsletter.**

**HANDMAIDS OF THE LORD PRAYER GROUP**

Every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month from 2pm to 4:30pm, Handmaids of the Lord  
meet at St Luke's Meeting Room. We come together to pray, sing praises to  
our Lord, listen to teachings, share our faith experience and have fellowship  
over a cup of tea.

All these women come from various parishes including our very own St Luke's  
Parish. They joined the seven week Christian Life Program (CLP) in previous  
years and now they are enjoying our regular prayer meetings.

If you wish to be a part of us, we would like to invite you to join our Christian  
Life Program (CLP) via zoom starting 16 May 2021, Sunday, 2pm to 4:30pm  
for 7 consecutive Sundays concluding 27 June 2021 via Zoom. You may zoom  
in using Meeting ID: 919 890 4030, Passcode:8888. To express your interest  
please contact Margarita McMahon on 0407836460 or text your name, mobile  
and/or email address. Flyers are available at the church's foyer.

**COMMUNITY DAY, SUNDAY 16 MAY**

You are invited to a reflection day, focussing on the significance of *silence in  
relationships*. So often we meet someone, ask how are you? and then go on our  
way. What if we listen further? What about our relationship with God?

Silence, is God's universal language; the language of Love.

We begin the day with the 8.30 mass at Willunga and in the Hall afterwards.

Bring something to share for lunch. We finish at 3.30pm. all are welcome.

For further information contact Fr Tom Gleeson 0438153489.

**ST LUKE'S EVANGELISTS**

We invite YOU to our Q & A session with Fr Josy at 6pm on 14 May at  
St Luke's. Bring yourself, your friends and your questions. Ages of 18-25.



*To all the Mothers, Grandmothers,  
Aunts, Sisters and other women in our lives,  
who care for us and love us unconditionally.*

*Thank you for all that you do and for all that you are  
to us:*

**HAPPY MOTHERS DAY**

**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, Anthony Cawley, Anton Sylvester, Catherine Kelley, Cherie Morrison, Anne Flint, Miho Forbes, Pauline Wheeldon, Heather D'Cruz, Jack Vaughan, Victor Perera, Gentile Monardo, Angela Young



**Deceased:** Lucy Grech, Daniel O'Rourke

**Anniversaries:** Jennifer Macey, Dean Rice, Shane Zilm, Kerry Smith, Brian Hemming, Min Norrie

*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 15/16 May

	6.00pm	9.00am
Proclaimer 1	Adele Revina	Juliet Goveas
Proclaimer 2	Annabelle Fernandez	Gabby Connelly
Welcomer	Paul Knobloch	Mary Barrow
Music Roster:	Grace	Praise

### COUNT OF MASS ATTENDANCE

The Archdiocese of Adelaide will be conducting a count of attendance (divided into age groups and gender) at all Masses on the first 4 weekends in May. Covid Marshals will be at the Church entrance to record numbers. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

### LADIES MORNING TEA



St Luke's Meeting Room  
Friday 14 May at 10.30am  
(following 10.00am Mass)  
All welcome

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY 2021 WINTER APPEAL

This weekend (8/9 May) envelopes will be distributed for our annual St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal.

Parishioners are asked to take the envelopes home and return them with their donation next weekend 15/16 May.



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

### WHAT'S ON

Mon	May 10	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's
Tues	May 11	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's Mass at 9.15am—St John's Parish Pastoral Council 7pm
Wed	May 12	Mass All Saints —9.15am Craft Group St Luke's—10am Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
Thurs	May 13	Mass & Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9am Prayer Meeting St Luke's—10am Benediction St Luke's—12.30pm Rosary St Luke's—7pm
Fri	May 14	Rosary St Luke's—9.30am Mass St Luke's—10.00am
Sat	May 15	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
Sun	May 16	Mass at 9.00am & 5.30pm —St Luke's Mass at 10.45am—SCC

### PETITION—SOUTHERN WOMEN MATTER

See information on the noticeboard re funding for an Outer Southern Domestic Violence Service Hub. A petition to sign is on the information desk.

### QUESTIONS/COMMENTS/ SUGGESTIONS BOX



There is a questions, suggestions and comments box available in the church

foyer in which you can place your written thoughts and ideas about any matter within the parish. Whilst you may do this anonymously, it is preferable that you include your name should there need to be clarification, discussion or a response given and we will deal with it in the best way that we can.

### SCC CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

#### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY SCC ECUMENICAL SERVICE

Friday, 21 May, 10.00am. Followed by morning tea and chat. SCC Town Square Café.

#### SCC BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Wednesday 26 May. Bookings essential.  
Phone Frank 0405 741 732

#### SCC SEAHAWKS ECUMENICAL YOUTH GROUP

Friday nights during school term Weeks 1-8, 6.30 - 8.00pm, for young people aged 6-16. For further information contact Daryl 0417 506 390.

## COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(April/May 2021)

Different rules apply for Churches with fixed or non-fixed seating. Please check with your Church for details on how seating will be handled.

- For fixed seating 100% of available seats may be used, provided 100% of attendees wear masks. If 75% of seats are used, masks are not necessary.
- The non-fixed seating capacity is worked on 3:4sqm. No masks are required for this density. Masks are essential for anything more than the capped density.
- Singing as a congregation may recommence, provided masks are worn.
- No beverage or food consumption (ie cup of tea after Mass)
- Social distancing is still recommended.
- 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 to be 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 but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- 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 taken 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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and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me: no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

## BAPTISM AS THE CONSCRIPTIVE ROPE

To be baptized into the church is to be a consecrated, displaced person. What does that mean?

In John's Gospel, there is a revealing exchange between Jesus and Peter. Jesus asks Peter three times: "Do you love me?" Three times, Peter replies that he does.

Based on that confession of love, Jesus tells him: "In truth I tell you, when you were young you girded your own belt and you walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will put a rope around you and take you where you would rather not go."

What has just been described is, in essence, Peter's baptism – and the dynamics of any real baptism into the church. Baptism consecrates us and consecration is a rope that takes us to where we would rather not go, namely, into the suffering that produces maturity.

To consecrate means to set aside, to displace from ordinary usage, to derail from normalcy. Long before this has to do with sacred buildings, altars, chalices and vowed religious, it is descriptive of something within ordinary life.

One of the best examples of what church, baptism and consecration

really mean is the example of having and raising children.

From the moment a couple has their first child, unless they are very calloused, they will, without necessarily wanting it, start to mature. Every time they turn around, tiny and not so tiny hands will be stretched out, demanding something of them – their time, their energy, their money, their car keys, their understanding, their hearts. They will be forced, by a clear conscription, to think of others before themselves. All those years of practice will eventually pay dividends. Normally, by the time their children are grown, the parents are mature.

Instead of their normal agenda, they are conscriptively asked to make sacrifices in lifestyle, career, hobbies, meals out, vacations and so on. Their children stand before them daily, like Jesus before Peter, asking: "Do you love me?"

Such is baptism. When St Paul became a Christian, Ananias was sent to him with the message: "Tell him how much he will have to suffer for the name."

Love is baptismal. Immediately upon confessing it, our freedom is derailed and, painful though it may be, we are taken by conscription into maturity.

Ronald Rolheiser

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(10 - 16 May)

- **Monday, 10:** Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 - 16:4)
- **Tuesday, 11:** Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11)
- **Wednesday, 12:** Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1; Jn 16:12-15)
- **Thursday, 13:** Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20)
- **Friday, 14:** St Matthias (Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17)
- **Saturday, 15:** Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> week of Easter (Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23-28)
- **Sunday 16:** The ASCENSION of the LORD (Acts 1:1-11; Eph 4:1-13, Mk 16:15-20)

## 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).