



Welcome to

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - 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

Tuesday - Friday
10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian - (8382 1717;
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jponnambal@gmail.com)

• ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr Dominick Okwadha
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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 – 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

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 3:15-18

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

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 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:

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Baptism of Infants: 8382 1717

Children's Faith Formation

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Each Saturday 9.00am - 9.30am
or by appointment

Pastoral Coordinator:

Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579
gabrielle1956.gb@gmail.com

Child Safe Contact Person:

Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579

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 - Mr Nick Wright

Cardijn College 8392 9500

Principal - Mr Steve Byrne

Heads of Campus:

Marian — Ms Danielle Greig

Galilee—Ms Kerri Gould 8557 9000

Marcellin— Mr Gianni Petr

Church Cleaning

20 May

Cleaning: Sally Standfield and Pat

Vacuuming: Nick Fernandes

Finances 6/7 May:

1st Collection \$790

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$466 (30 envelopes)

Open Plate \$505

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday

10.00am—2.30pm

For any emergencies please contact

Fr Josy on 0452 524 169 or

Toni Fishlock on 0417 801 241.

Noticeboard:

April-July Centacare Family Courses

2023 Upcoming Courses

2023/24 Magi Pilgrimages

25 May Spiritual Healing Retreat

20 May Youth Retreat

CHANGES TO COVID RULES ARE LISTED ON THE BACK OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

COUNT OF MASS ATTENDANCE

During May the Archdiocese of Adelaide will be conducting a count of attendance (divided into age groups and gender) at all Masses commencing on the weekend of 6/7 May. Forms will be at the Church entrance to record numbers. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

MONTH OF MARY—MAY DEVOTIONS

Every Saturday in May rosary will be recited at 5.30pm conducted by one of the Parish Groups, followed by evening Mass at 6.00pm

Wednesday 31 May—The Feast of Visitation of Blessed Virgin Mary Mass will be at 7.30pm followed by a Marian procession and concluding with supper. (Pizza/soft drink/coffee, tea and chocolates for children)



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

There will be an information session for all parents of the children who will undertake the Sacramental Program in 2023.

This meeting will be held in St Luke's on Wednesday 7 June—6-7pm.

For further information please contact

Gabrielle 0422 804 579

MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE WINNERS



1st	Christine	2nd	Ester Mayne
3rd	C Paris	4th	Phyllis Phillips
5th	Marlene Heming	6th	Shaun Freeborn

Father Josy is inviting children of the parish
who would like to be

Baptised

the opportunity to be baptised
on Pentecost Sunday

SUNDAY MAY 28 9AM

ST LUKE'S

Please contact Gabrielle at the church office
if you would like to take up this opportunity



**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA
EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9.00AM TO 12.30PM**

Pray for the healing of: Angela Young, Catherine Kelley, William Tanti, Gentile Monardo, Joan Lavender, Astrid Houareau, Alison Pyne, Mark Malagoski, Pat & Jack Vaughan, Veronica Anderson, Raymond Peppin, Cate Lavelle, Mandy Ganzevoort, Harry Borg, Norleen Zarah, Connie Anderson, Gerry Rice, David Healey



Deceased:

Anniversaries: Jennifer Macey, Dean Rice, Kerryn Smith, Shane Zilm, George Robinson, Esther Genockey

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 20/21 May

	6.00pm	9.00am	5.30pm
P1	Annabelle F	Erica Badics	Maria Thomas
P2	Brenda Byrne	Judy Crouch	Paul Knobloch
W	Christine Challis	Marie Lodge	Thomas Harry

Music: Sandiwa



Dinner will be served after the 5.30pm Mass on Sunday 20 May.

\$5 per person.



Cleaners are urgently needed at St Luke's for Church cleaning. If you are able to help please contact the Parish Office on 8382 1717.



PROJECT COMPASSION RECEIPTS AVAILABLE FROM INFORMATION DESK

PRAYER MEETING EVERY THURSDAY AT 10.00AM IN ST LUKE'S MEETING ROOM

WHAT'S ON

- Mon 15 May Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
- Tues 16 May Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
- Wed 17 May Mass at SCC—9.15am
Craft Group St Luke's—10.00am
St Johns Mass—12noon
Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
- Thurs 18 May Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Prayer Meeting—10.00am
Benediction at 12.30pm
Rosary at 6.45pm—St Luke's
- Fri 19 May Rosary at 9.30am—St Luke's
Mass 10.00am—St Luke's
- Sat 20 May Reconciliation at 9.00am—St Luke's
Rosary 5.30pm—St Luke's
Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
- Sun 21 May Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
Mass at 10.45am—SCC
Mass at 5.30pm - St Luke's



*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 MOTHER'S DAY

PILGRIMAGE OF THANKSGIVING

The Knights of the Southern Cross in South Australia are completing their centenary celebrations with a Pilgrimage of Thanksgiving of the MacKillop Cross.

It is their intention to display the cross at St Luke's on Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 June.

MARIAN PROCESSION

The 2023 Marian Procession will be held on Sunday May 21 beginning at the Pioneer Women's Memorial Gardens (next to the Torrens Parade Ground on King William Rd) processing up King William St to Victoria Square. This year, we celebrate the *Feast of the Visitation* in line with the 2023 World Youth Day theme. The Procession will commence at 2pm and all are invited to attend with their parish or community. Group assembly will begin from 1.30pm. Unless there is a severe weather warning the procession will take place, however it will conclude in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral rather than Victoria Square. For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on P: 8210 8220.

**COMPLIANCE WITH
COVID-19 REGULATIONS**
(Current from 12/05/23)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact

**CHOICES, CHOICES,
CHOICES**

There are trade-offs. We make them all the time. You can choose to wait for the train or drive. The train might be running late, so you could be in the cold for a long time, or it may be uncomfortably crowded. Then again, it is cheaper than driving and often faster with less stress.

If you choose to drive, you may get stuck in traffic, burning petrol and polluting the air. Or if you are lucky, the road is open and you speed to your destination uninterrupted from door to door in no time at all.

Some of the early disciples felt that Jesus' return after his Ascension into heaven was imminent, so they wanted to wait for him in prayer. Others began to understand it through the Holy Spirit, Christ would come into their hearts and be with them in a special way. God's love would bind them together. So they went about healing and calling down the Spirit to be with those who had been baptised.

Two thousand years later, we still wait for Jesus' coming. But we have not been left orphans. We see and find Jesus' loving presence all around us. The trade-off is simple. We choose to believe, and so we live out the commandments. And in return, Jesus Christ lives in us.

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'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

**DIVORCED?
WHERE DO I STAND NOW?**

Q: I am recently divorced. Can I still receive Communion?

A: In short, yes. It is important to understand that divorce itself is not the sin, as many assume. You are still able to receive communion. You are not to receive communion if you remarry without an annulment. That is why we invite you to come and see us.

Q: I already have a civil divorce so why do I need an annulment? What is the difference?

A: According to Canon Law Canon 1061§1 states, marriage possesses the favor of law; therefore, in a case of doubt, the validity of a marriage must be upheld until the contrary is proven. A divorce decree is a civil document that is not affiliated with the Church. A civil divorce does not signify the end of a sacramental marriage and put simply, it is a civil law document that states you are free to marry only according to civil law, while the Church believes your marriage is permanent until the contrary is proven. The Tribunal assesses the validity of your marriage according to Civil Law through the process of an annulment, and if successful, you are declared 'free to marry' again in the Catholic Church.

Q: I want to get an annulment but don't agree to involving my ex-partner. Will the annulment proceed without contacting him or her?

A: Whilst we appreciate that most divorce cases involve a great deal of pain and conflict, we have an obligation under Canon Law to inform the other party that an application for nullity has been requested. We ask you to provide us with an address or contact details. In many cases, Respondents choose not to participate. You will not be required to have any contact with the Respondent during the process.

Q: I am getting married in 3 months time. Will my annulment be processed by then?

A: An annulment is not guaranteed and so to avoid disappointment and other losses, no wedding arrangements can take place until a decision is made. On average, each case takes between 68 months to complete, depending on the complexity of the case and the willingness of witnesses and parties to cooperate.

Q: Okay, I think I want to go ahead and start an application. Who do I speak to?

A: Please contact our office (Monday - Friday between 9.00am-5.00pm) on (08) 8210 8225 and we will be happy to guide you from there.

*Inter-diocesan Tribunal of Adelaide
(SA and NT)*

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS
(15 - 21 May)**

- **Monday, 15:** Monday 6th week Easter (Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4)
- **Tuesday, 16:** Tuesday 6th week Easter (Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11)
- **Wednesday, 17:** Wednesday 6th week Easter (Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15)
- **Thursday, 18:** Thursday 6th week Easter (Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20)
- **Friday, 19:** Friday 6th week Easter (Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23)
- **Saturday, 20:** Saturday 6th week Easter (Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23-28)
- **Sunday 21:** The ASCENSION of the LORD (Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20)

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 0452 524 169.