

Welcome to

Noarlunga Seaford Catholic Parish

ST LUKE'S, NOARLUNGA AND SCC, SEAFORD

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A Vol 14 : No 49

NOARLUNGA SEAFORD CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

Cnr Goldsmith Drive and Honeypot Rd, (PO Box 406) NOARLUNGA, SA 5168 Phone: 8382 1717

(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 - 2.30pm
For any emergencies, please contact:
Fr Dominick (0421 074 212)

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

- **PARISH ADMINISTRATOR**
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- **ASSISTANT PRIEST**
  Fr Julius Nyandiga CP
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- **PARISH MANAGER and NEWSLETTER**
  Dennis McCarthy (0416 432 937

(Please submit newsletter items to the Parish Office by 11.30am each Wednesday)

- **SEAFORD**
  Please contact the Parish Office - 8382 1717

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

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.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R)

2. Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me. He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. (R)

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 *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!

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Saints of the Week

Mon, 26 Oct - St Alfred the Great
Tues, 27 Oct - St Abraham the Poor
Wed, 28 Oct - SS Simon & Jude, Apostles
Thurs, 29 Oct - St Gaetano Errico
Fri, 30 Oct - St Dorothy of Montau
Sat, 31 Oct - St Quentin

ST LUKE'S STATUE

Fr Dominic has arranged for a statue of our patron saint, St Luke the Evangelist, to be purchased and placed in the Church. During the month of October, we will be holding an appeal to raise funds to cover the purchase of this statue. Parishioners will also be able to donate direct via Credit Card / Direct Debit payments to the Parish bank account. Details are:

BSB: 066 - 782
Account: 100000203
Name: Noarlunga Seaford Parish
Reference: Statuue

Altar Linen Laundry Roster
Month October - Christine Jones
Month November - Jane Ward

Church Cleaning
For weekend: 31OCT - 01NOV
Cleaning: TBA
Vacuuming: TBA

Finances:
For weekends 17-18 October
1st Collection - Support for Archdiocese/Priests - $818.00
2nd Collection - Support for the ongoing maintenance of the Parish - $510.00
(27 envelopes)
Open Plate - $537.00
Special Collection - $437

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
The Parish Office is open
Tuesday to Friday 10:00am - 2:30pm

For any emergencies please contact Fr Julius on 0455 878 907or Dennis McCarthy on 0416 432 937

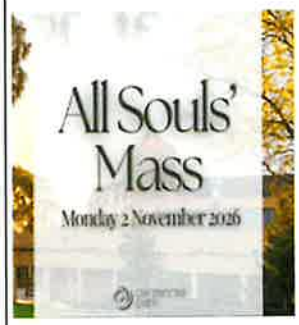
Fr Dominck will be Annual Leave from 23 October - 8 December 2026. For any emergency during this time please call Fr Julius on 0455 878 907

Roster for weekend 31/1 November - All Saints

	St Luke's 6:00pm	St Luke's 9:00am	St Luke's 5:30pm	scc 10:45am
P1	Annabelle Fernandez	Ronan Thomas	Children's Mass	TBA
P2	Christine Challis	Rhea Thomas	Children's Mass	TBA
W	Brenda Byrne	Alvin Abd Elmalk	Cjhildren's Mass	TBA
HC	Kevin Barry Minty Mahoney	Angeline D'Cruz David Crane	Theresa Tanti Gabrielle Byrne	TBA
Children's Liturgy				Dolores McCluskey

THEOLOGY @THE BAR

Speaker: Fr Trevor Tibbertsma
Date: Wed 18th November.
Location: Ern Malley Bar, Magill Rd Stepney SA.
Time: -6:30pm start, for 7pm talk.
Topic- Ignorance is not Bliss: Why Catholics should read more Scripture.
Snacks, toasties and drinks available at the bar



All Souls Mass – Centennial Park

Centennial Park extends a warm invitation to All Souls' Mass on Monday, November 2, at 6pm in their Jubilee Complex Foyer. Come together to commemorate and remember those who have passed, but who live on in our hearts. All Souls' Mass will be led by Father John Shanahan of Emmaus Catholic Parish. Hymns will be performed by soprano singer Teresa La Rocca. You are welcome to bring a photo of your loved one to place at the altar for blessing. More information on the Mass and how to register can be found here: All Souls' Mass - Centennial Park

catholic mission

We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in Zambia and missionaries like Sr Jane and Kayula. Thanks to your kindness, women like Sharon will have the skills to provide for their families, and mothers like Grace can give birth with dignity. Your gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world. To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work. Here, you can also sign up to our regular newsletter to keep up to date with the latest news. If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/mission. Your action will make a profound change on people's lives.

If you or anyone you know is sick or housebound and would like a priest to visit, please contact the Parish Office on 8382 1717. Thank you.

Pray for the healing of:
Viola Sanchez, Phyllis Orr, Gene Field, Anton Gwiazda, Pamela Lawless, Anton Crane, Eugene Byrne, William Tanti, Astrid, Astrid Houareau



Deceased:

Anniversaries: Fr Vimal Raj.

SEAFORD CHRISTIAN CHURCHES 30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday November 22nd at 2pm
Ecumenical Praise and Thanksgiving service followed by Afternoon Tea.
All Parishioners of Noarlunga-Seaford Catholic Parish wishing to attend are now requested to RSVP TO: *catholic.scc@gmail.com*. BY SUNDAY November 1st

The Month of November

The Month of November is dedicated to the faithful departed, remembering our dear ones.If you wish to have a Special Mass celebrated in memory of your loved one, please complete an envelope from the Information Desk and place it on the offertory plate or hand it in at the Office. The priests are dedicated to celebrating all Masses that are requested.

Counters Urgently Required

We urgently need Volunteers to assist in counting the Weekend collections for approximately one to one and a half hours each Tuesday morning from 9am. If you think you can assist in this important role, please contact the Office on 8327 1717 or email the Parish Manager at *fishlock11@tpg.com.au*

Sunday Morning Tea

Join us after Sunday morning Mass and stay a little longer to share in the fellowship of our parish community, enjoy a cuppa, share a chat, and savour the gentle gift of community. Whether you are new, visiting, or long-time parish family, your presence enriches us.

SAFEGUARDING

Children who cannot be looked after by their own family must be looked after properly by people who respect their religion, culture and language,

CHILDRENS' MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 5:30PM.
NEXT CHILDRENS' MASS WILL BE:
SUNDAY, 6 DECEMBER.

WHAT'S ON

Mon 26 Oct	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's
Tues, 27 Oct	Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's
Wed, 28 Oct	Mass at 9:15am - All Saints/SCC Craft Group at 10:00am - St Luke's Mass at 7:30pm - St Luke's
Thurs, 29 Oct	Mass at 9:00am- St Luke's Prayer Group at 10:00am - St Luke's Rosary at 6:30pm - St Luke's RCIA at 7:00pm - Meeting Room
Fri, 30 Oct	Rosary at 9:00am St Luke's Benediction at 9:30am Mass 10:00am - St Luke's Adoration at 6:00pm - St Luke's
Sat 31 Oct	Reconciliation 9:00am - St Luke's Mass 6:00pm- St Luke's
Sun, 1 Nov	Feast of All Saints 9:00am- St Luke's Mass at 10:45am- SCC Spanish Mass 11.0am - St Lukes Mass at 5:30pm - St Luke's

Seaford Christian Churches
611 Grand Boulevard
(Comer of Main Street)

https://www.facebook.com/SeafordChristianChurches/

SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY 22nd NOVEMBER, SCC 30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Christian Meditation: Saturday morning at 9am.
For further information contact Jan Hicks 8327 0596
SCC TOWN SQUARE CAFE:
WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY 10am-1.30pm.
Coffee, cake, light meals and sandwiches
Every Friday: Special Roast and dessert; includes tea/coffee $14. Booking essential.
Contact Cafe Manager Cathy 08 7071 9237
Op shop: Open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9am-4pm for purchases and donations
Volunteers needed in the following areas:
Op shop, and
Funeral Team: SCC Cafe, Operation of sound system, Car Park supervision, Open and Close facility.
For further information: SCC Admin Manager: Agnes George: Tel 7071 9297 - Monday, Tuesday or Friday, 9.30am-1.30pm.

October is the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary
Holy Rosary: The Rosary will be prayed 15 minutes before the 9:00am and 5:30pm Masses.
All are warmly invited to join in this time of quiet prayer and preparation.

NOARLUNGA SEAFORD CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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PASTORAL CO-ORDINATOR
Gabrielle Byrne (0422 804 579)
Email: gabrielle1956.gb@gmail.com
BAPTISM of INFANTS
Phone 8382 1717

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION
Each Saturday 9.00am - 9.30am
or by appointment

INTEGRITY AND SAFE-GUARDING DEPARTMENT
We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, well-being and protection of children and young people.

Integrity & Safeguarding:
8210 8159 (select option 2)

PARISH LITURGY GROUP
Marg Burns

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
Acting Chairperson - Agnes George

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL
Chairperson - Michael Pols

PARISH SCHOOLS and COLLEGES
- St John the Apostle (8382 2064)
  Principal - Leanne Johansen
- All Saints (8327 0020)
  Principal - Nick Wright
- Cardijn College (8392 9500)
  Principal - Steve Byrne

  Heads of Campus:
  Marian - Wade Champion
  Galilee - Kerri Gould (8557 9000)
  Marcellin - Liam Brooks



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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.'

THE BOTTOM LINE
Moses drew the bottom line for the people of God when he presented the stone tablets to them at the base of Sinai: Here are ten things you must, and must not do. Love God, honour your parents; don't steal, kill. Most of us know the commandments well enough to know when we break them, without peeking back at Exodus.

To ask - which commandment of God is the greatest? - is a bit like asking for a hierarchy of evil for future reference. The popularity of lists of sins is that they give us guidelines as to how far we can go in sin before we're over our heads. As Robert Orbin says, most of us would like to be delivered from evil - but would like to keep in touch. The great commandment of Jesus doesn't give us that option. Loving God with heart, soul, and mind is a pretty exclusive commitment. When it comes to monogamy, even it a little infidelity is too much.

RULE NUMBER ONE
Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all your passion and prayer and intelligence. This is the most important, the first on any list. But there is a second to set alongside it: Love others as well as your love yourself. These two commands are pegs; everything in God's Law and the Prophets hangs from them".

Mr Williams was rehearsing his lines in his mind. His daughter had missed curfew once again, and she'd already been warned. How often had he told her about curfew – rule number one? Now, he was going to lower the boom. Ground her for weeks. Take away her driving privileges. Let her know there are consequences to her actions.

And the minutes dragged on. And his worry increased. And his anger increased along with his worry. The phone rang. "Mr Williams, your daughter is here at the police station. She's OK. There was an accident. It wasn't her fault. We'll be bringing her home shortly, but she didn't want to worry you so she asked me to call".

When his daughter arrived home, he saw the look on her face. He could see all that she'd gone through, the apology already on her lips. It softened his heart. He opened his arms and she came swiftly into his embrace. As if singing a duet, they said simultaneously, "I was so worried for you". The Williams home discovered its new "rule number one": Love God and one another.

God's strong and all-embracing love will go with us, a love nurtured in this faith community. A love that we sense as we come quietly before God. A love that supports us in the hard times. A love that gives permission to question and doubt. A love that binds us together in ministry. A love that sometimes seems absent, but a love that is there for us always, even when we least expect it. A love we know in Jesus through his teachings, his relationships, his stories, and his love that took him to the cross. With God's love we leave this space joyfully and hopefully. Nothing can separate us from the love of God. *GPBS eNews*

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 prior to medical treatment or if you are ill (not necessarily life-threatening) or for last rites please contact: (08) 8382 1717.
In an emergency call Fr Dominick (0421 074 212).