The Parable of the Talents

Welcome to

# Noarlunga Seaford Catholic Parish

ST LUKE'S, NOARLUNGA AND SCC, SEAFORD

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 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 - 2.30pm
For any emergencies, please contact:
Fr Julius (0455 878 907)

**PARISH TEAM CONTACTS**

- **PARISH ADMINISTR-**
  Fr Domini-
  FR DOMINICK IS ON LEAVE
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  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**
***Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31***
A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**
***Ps 127:1-5***
*Happy are those who fear the Lord.*

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. (R)

2. Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R)

3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life. (R)

**SECOND READING**
***1 Thessalonians 5:1-6***
You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**
***Jn 15:4,5***
*Alleluia, alleluia!*
*Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!*

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## Saints of the Week

Mon, 16 Nov - Our Lady of Mercy, Sts Gertrude the Great, Margaret of Scotland and Giuseppi Moscati
Tues, 17 Nov - St Elizabeth of Hungary
Wed, 18 Nov - Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul, St Rose Philippine Duchesne
Thurs, 19 Nov - St Crispin
Fri, 20 Nov - St Leo of Nonantula
Sat, 21 Nov - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary




### Our Giving Tree Let's "PLAY TAG"

St Vincent de Paul is under a mammoth strain at this time of year, helping those less fortunate than ourselves to have a happy Christmas.

Let's "PLAY TAG" and empty all the tags off the Giving Tree.

*****Please note that all gifts need to be returned by 13th December*****

To put your name down for a St Vincent de Paul's Christmas Hamper, please ring 1300 729 202

### Altar Linen Laundry Roster

Month November - Jane Ward
Month December - Fina Saukura

### Church Cleaning

For weekend: 21./22 November
Cleaning: TBA
Vacuuming: TBA

### Finances:

For weekends 7/8 Nov
1st Collection - Support for Archdiocese/Priests - $767.00
2nd Collection - Support for the ongoing maintenance of the Parish - $607.00 (25 envelopes)
Open Plate - $1,105.00
Special Collection -

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

Fr Dominck will be on 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 21/22 November 2026
### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Sunday in Year A

| | St Luke's 6:00pm | St Luke's 9:00am | St Luke's 5:30pm | SCC 10:45am |
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| P1 | Christine Jones | Justin Neugebauer | Yvonne Bennett | Sayo Family |
| P2 | Denis Jones | Thomas H Elias | David Van Heerde | Derrick Edmunds |
| W | Annabelle Fernandes | Maria Thomas | Gabrielle Byrne | Jim Fenoughty |
| HC | Christine Jones<br>Minty Mahoney | David Cranes<br>Angeline D'Cruz | Theresa Tanti<br>Sheralee Van Heerde | Mary Fenoughty |
| Children's Liturgy | | Tanya and Jasmine | | Dolores McCluskey |

### Aid to the Church in Need (ACN)

RED NOVEMBER ACN PRAY • SUPPORT • ACT

**ACN** is the pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

During this RED November, we invite you to pray, support and act in solidarity with 338+ million Christians persecuted for their faith. Around the world, churches and public buildings will light up in red as a symbol of the sacrifice and suffering of our modern-day martyrs. Masses will be offered for the Church in Need on the weekend of 21-22 November..

### Our History - The Ordination and First Mass of Fr Julian Tenison Woods Memorial Event

**Day and Date:** Sunday, 10 January 2027
**Time:** 4:30 to 5:30pm
**Venue:** 23 Commercial Road, Salisbury.

Fr Roderick will explore Fr Julian's journey to priesthood, from London to Adelaide. What shaped his motivation? Why Australia? Why Adelaide? The journey always included the interweaving of science and faith. Welcome! No booking required. For more information please see the poster at the Information Desk.

Enquiries to Fr Roderick 8258 2314 (Salisbury Catholic Parish)

### A Celebration of Christmas - Metropolitan Male Choir of South Australia

**The Metropolitan Male Choir of South Australia, presents:**

A Glorious Celebration of Christmas - with over 40 men, the choir will perform a lovely program to faithfully convey the authentic Christmas message.

When: Saturday evening December 12
Where: Elder Hall, North Terrace, Adelaide

- rich 4-part male voice harmony
- instrumental ensemble accompaniment featuring the mighty pipe organ
- superb guest artist performances by our youth scholarship winners

Tickets $30 - $35 via www.mmcsa.org or Trybooking.com

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

**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:**
Mary Nicholls, John Tane, Neville and Heather D'Cruz, Viola Sanchez, Phyllis Orr, Gene Field, Pamela Lawless, Michael Lawless, Anton Crane, Eugene Byrne, William Tanti, Astrid Houareau



**Deceased:**

**Anniversaries:**

## REMINDER: SEAFORD CHRISTIAN CHURCHES 30th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

**Sunday November 22nd at 2:00pm**

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*.

## 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.

## The Memorial Book

Please feel free to write the names of any departed ones or friends in the St Lukes Memorial Book, which is at the Information Desk.

## Counters Urgently Required

We urgently need Volunteers to assist in counting the Weekend collections for approximately one to one and a half hours each week. 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*

INTEGRITY & SAFEGUARDING

## Safeguarding

Our Parish is committed to the Safeguarding of Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults. On the Noticeboards in the Foyer, you will find support service, your rights and the Catholic Archdiocese of of Adelaide Commitment Statement. Visit

https://adelaide.catholic.aorg.au/our-people/integrity-and-safeguarding

Our Safeguarding Contact Person is
Gabrielle Byrne 0422 804 579

**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

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| Mon 16 Nov | Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's |
| Tues, 17 Nov | Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's |
| Wed, 18 Nov | Mass at 9:15am - All Saints/SCC<br>Craft Group at 10:00am - St Luke's<br>Mass at 7:30pm - St Luke's |
| Thurs, 19 Nov | Mass at 9:00am- St Luke's<br>Prayer Group at 10:00am - St Luke's<br>Rosary at 6:30pm - St Luke's<br>RCIA at 7:00pm - Meeting Room |
| Fri, 20 Nov | Rosary at 9:00am<br>Benediction at 9:30am - St Luke's<br>Mass 10:00am - St Luke's |
| Sat 21 Nov | Reconciliation 9:00am - St Luke's Mass<br>Baptism at 10:30 - St Luke's<br>Mass at 6:00pm - ASt Luke's |
| Sun, 22 Nov | Ourt Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe<br>Sunday in Year A<br>Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's<br>Mass at 10:45am- SCC<br>SCC 30th Anniversary Celebration at 2:00pm<br>Mass at 5:30pm - St Luke's |

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

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

**"3rd Thursday CatchUp" November 19th, SCC Cafe.** Come and join us anytime from 11:45am-1.30pm and enjoy a choice of mains, snacks or beverage from the Cafe menu. All welcome!

**Advent Reflection:** SCC Baptistry, commencing Wednesday November 25th at 10:30-11:30am. All are welcome.

**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 $15. 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. For further information,** contact SCC Admin Manager: Agnes George: Tel 7071 9297 - Monday, Tuesday or Friday, 9.30am-1.30pm.

**Holy 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 - 10.00am
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



Having dumped the bag of ashes on the table, Stew hid behind the door and waited for the X-ray technician's reaction.

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## GOSPEL
***Matthew 25:14-30***

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrust-ed his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.

'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."

'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."'

### DID YOU KNOW?
- A Jewish talent was a very substantial sum of money. A shekel contained about 14.5g of silver; a *talent* contained more than 43,000g! It was about the price of an ox.
- Being an absentee landlord was as common in the time of Jesus as it was in later history.
- The 'talents' are not equally distributed. In God's plan all are endowed with different 'talents' so that we will recognise our need for each other and practice generosity, kindness and the sharing of the abilities we have.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS
*(16 - 22 November)*
- ***Monday, 16:*** Weekday, Ordinary Time 33 (Rev 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43)
- ***Tuesday, 17:*** St Elizabeth of Hungary (Rev 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10)
- ***Wednesday, 18:*** Weekday, Ordinary Time 33 (Rev 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28)
- ***Thursday, 19:*** Weekday, Ordinary Time 33 (Rev 5:1-10; Lk 19:41- 44)
- ***Friday, 20:*** Weekday, Ordinary Time 33 (Rev 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48)
- ***Saturday, 21:*** The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary (Rev 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40)
- ***Sunday 22:*** Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE (Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46)

### 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).