Welcome to



Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and SCC, Seaford

THIRTY-SECOND 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)

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seafordparish.org.au

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian - (8382 1717; in an emergency 0452 524 169; jponnambal@gmail.com)

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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

Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 62:2-8

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.

We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven: those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 24:42, 44

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the (Continued page 4)

Baptism of Infants 8382 1717

Children's Faith Formation

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Each Saturday 9:00am - 9:30am or by appointment.

Pastoral Co-ordinator:

Gabrielle Byrne gabrielle1956.gb@gmail.com

0422 804 579

Child Safe Contact Person:

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Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council:

Dr Paul Rijken

Chairperson Liturgy Group:

Margaret Burns

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St John the Apostle

8382 2064

Principal - Ms Lee-Anne Johansen

All Saints

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Mr Nick Wright Principal -

Cardijn College

8392 9500

Principal - Mr Steve Byrne

Heads of Campus:

Marian — Ms Danielle Greig

Galilee-Ms Kerri Gould 8557 9000

Marcellin- Mr Gianni Petrucci

Church Cleaning

For weekend 18/19 November

Cleaning: Paddy Lamb

Vacuuming:

Finances: October

For weekend 4/5 November

1st Collection \$875.00

Support for Archdiocesan Priests

2nd Collection \$1,347.00

(26 envelopes)

Open Plate \$558.00

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:

2023

Upcoming Courses

2023/24 Magi Pilgrimages

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



DEDICATION OF ST LUKE'S CHURCH 41st ANNIVERSARY

Saturday 18 November Mass at 6:00pm followed by a cup of tea and cake.

Remembrance Day is annually observed on November 11 and is dedicated to Australians who died as a result of war, particularly from World War I onwards. A minute of silence is dedicated to the deceased, especially for soldiers who died fighting to protect the nation.

OUR GIVING TREE - LET'S "PLAY TAG"



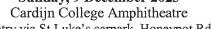
St Vincent de Paul is under a mammoth strain at this time of the year. helping those less fortunate than ourselves to have a happy Christmas. Let's "PLAY TAG" and empty all the tags off the Giving Tree.

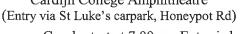
Please note that all gifts need to be returned by 16/17 December. **Christmas Cards \$5** 2024 Calendars \$8 available after all Masses.

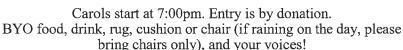
Anyone requiring a food hamper for Christmas please contact St Vinnies 1300 729 202 and leave your details.

St Luke's Music Ministry Team Presents

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT Sunday, 9 December 2023







Join the St Luke's Church Music Ministry groups and friends for a joyful night of Christmas carolling and good cheer!

Funds raised on the night will go towards a new much-needed sound system at St Luke's. Hope to see you there!



THE FOLK GROUP 40th Anniversary Celebration

The Folk Group Choir is turning 40! Please join us to celebrate four decades of joyful music ministry and community.

All former members are more than welcome to join with the singing or playing an instrument at Mass.

Please contact Phil Moore to enquire + RSVP for lunch on 0415 772 765 at email filb82@gmail.com.

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING Sunday, 26 November

9:00am Mass at St Luke's followed by a cuppa and fellowship with the Parish

12noon Lunch for all current and former FG members and their families

ADELAIDE YOUTH

15 December, 2023 at 6:30pm Croydon Park Parish Hall Corner of Liberton Ave & Tungara Ave

> For ages 12-35 \$15 per ticket See poster for more details.

SOLEMNITIES FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

DEDICATION OF ST LUKE'S - Saturday, 18 November; Mass at 6:00pm IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - Friday, 8 December; Mass at 7:30pm

> ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA **EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9:00AM TO 10:30PM**

Pray for the healing of: Cate Lavelle, Peter Jacques, Raymond Peppin, Barney Manning, Shelley Heard, Bill Tanti, Gentile Monardo, Connie Anderson, Cherie Morrison, Astrid Houareau



Deceased:

Anniversaries: Dorothy Chernikov

(Names will remain on the Prayer for Healing list for one month).

Roster for weekend 18/19 November

	6:00pm		9:00am	5:30pm
P1	Brenda Byrne		Michael Pols	Paul Knobloch
P2	Mel Buenviaje		Salvador Vega	Wade Champion
W	Annabelle Fernandes		Espi Tilbrook	Gabrielle Byrne
нс	Denis Jones		Raylee Crane	Sheralee van Heerde
	Christine Jones		David Crane	Theresa Tanti
Children's Liturgy			Joanna and Megan	
Music 6:00pm Sandiwa			9:00am	5:30pm



25.11.2023

| 9.30AM-4.30PM | ST LUKE'S NOARLUNGA | COST \$40 | FOOD AND DRINK PROVIDED FOR WOMEN OF ALL AGES, 12 & UP USE THE QR CODE TO BOOK & FOR MORE INFO





Sunday Night Dinner will be served after the 5:30pm Mass on Sunday 19 November.

The Parish is looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to help out in the **Nursing Homes** and in the **Children's Liturgy**. If you are interested, kindly contact the parish office on 8382 1717.

CHILD PROTECTION

Children who are looked after by their local authority rather than their parents should have their situation reviewed regularly.

CHILDRENS' MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 9:00AM NEXT MASS WILL BE 3 DECEMBER.

WHAT'S ON

Mon 13 November Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Tues 14 November Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's

PPC Meeting at 6:30pm

Wed 15 November Mass at 9:15am - SCC

Craft Group at 10:00am Mass at 7:30pm - St Luke's

Thurs 16 November Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Prayer Group 10:00am

Year 11 Closing Mass at 11:00am

Rosary at 6:45pm - St Luke's

RCIA at 7:00pm

Fri 17 November Rosary at 9:30am - St Luke's

Mass 10.00am -St Luke's

Sat 18 November Reconciliation at 9:00am -St Luke's

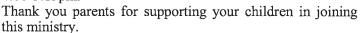
Mass at 6:00pm - St Luke's

Sun 19 November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 9:00am - St Luke's Mass at 10:45am - SCC Mass at 5:30pm - St Luke's

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

A training session will be held in St Luke's Church on Sunday, 19 November from 4:00-5:15pm.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM will commence at St Luke's in February 2024.

If you would like your child to receive these Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office on 8382 1717 to register or for more information.

MEMORIAL BOOK



Please feel free to write the names of any departed loved ones or friends in the St Luke's Memorial Book which is on the Information Counter.

Volunteer Cleaners Needed



If you are able to spare a little time during the next eight weeks to either

- Vacuum the church
- Wash the meeting room and foyer floors
- Clean/polish the brass on windows and doors

Please add your name and contact details to the roster on the front desk. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity.

For parishioners who would like to receive Holy Communion on the tongue, kindly wait until all the other parishioners have received Holy Communion in the hand.

Holy Communion on the tongue will be distributed by the priest. Please consume the host immediately.

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS



- 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.

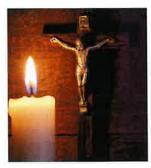


EXPLORING THE WORD

As the public ministry of Jesus draws to a close, Matthew introduces the themes of delay and the need to be ready for the second coming of Christ. Matthew's community were living in the 'in-between' times. Christ's victory over death through his resurrection had begun a new phase in history but it was not yet complete. Completion would only come with his return in glory. We again hear the familiar imagery of the messianic banquet or wedding feast to which all are invited. But only those who live with an attitude of openness and readiness will come into the great hall. Today's parable speaks strongly of the need to live in the present with an eye to the future. We cannot live only for the 'now' with no thought for our ultimate goal, nor can we ignore the sufferings and responsibilities of the present and set our hearts only on heaven.

DID YOU KNOW?

A solemn procession from the house of the bride's father to the house of the bridegroom was an important part of the Jewish wedding ceremony. These bridesmaids are a 'guard of honour' to greet the groom on his return with his bride. Sometimes problems with the marriage contract or the unhurried exchange of gifts between families lead to long delays in their return.



In November we pray for all who have died.

May they rest in peace.

(Continued from page 1) sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps.

The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him."

At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

KEEPING VIGIL (Matthew 25: 1 - 13)

For a few years I worked in downtown San Francisco. It's a lovely city by every standard, but it has one drawback that gives newcomers pause: it's located on an earthquake fault line. When you ask long-term residents how they cope with the idea that at any moment, without warning, their entire world could collapse under their feet, they look at you with the amusement of experience. "You get used to it," they tell you.

Most people who live on fault lines dismiss the odds. They don't have the emergency supplies on hand that local phone books recommend: enough bottled water for several days, torches, spare batteries, a transistor radio. To non-residents, this seems like madness. But consider all the things you may not be prepared for. How many people go through life without health insurance? Who prepare for divorce, disability, or unemployment? In

some ways, we all go about without oil in our lamps, like the five in the story, playing the odds that we won't come up short.

One way to be prepared for any eventuality is to ground our lives, not in fluctuating circumstances, but in Christ. Though the earth shiver and crack open beneath us someday, we won't be lost if Christ is the bedrock upon which we stand.

What is the central truth upon which your life is grounded? Will that truth support you "come hell or high water"?

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KIDS' CORNER

Do you know what integrity is? Integrity is doing the right thing all the time, even when nobody is watching. It's doing the right thing simply because it's the right thing. That's not always easy. But God sees everything. God sees when we act with integrity and when we could do better. God isn't watching just so God can catch us slipping up. God really wants us to live with integrity. And God wants to help us, especially when it's hard.

Loving God, please help me live with integrity all of my life. Amen.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS
(13 - 17 November)

- Monday, 13: Weekday, Ordinary Time 32 (Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6)
- *Tuesday, 14:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 32 (Wis 2:23- 3:9; Lk 17:7-10)
- *Wednesday, 15:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 32 (Wis 6:11; Lk 17:11-19)
- *Thursday, 16:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 32 (Wis 7:22 - 8:1; Lk 17:20-25)
- *Friday, 17:* St Elizabeth of Hungary (Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37)
- Saturday, 18: Weekday, Ordinary Time 32 (Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8)
- *Sunday 19*: 33rd Sunday, Ordinary Time (Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thess 5:1-61; Mt 25:14-30)

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.