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)

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

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.noarlungaseafordparish.org.au

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10.00am - 12.00noon

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

• **PARISH PRIEST** Fr Josy Sebastian (8382 1717; in an emergency 0452 524 169; 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

(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 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told. 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 84:9-14

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

SECOND READING Romans 9:1-5

What I want to say now is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Ps* 129:5

Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.'

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:

Galilee Learning Centre 8557 9000 Principal - Ms J Higgins and Ms Sharon Doyle St John the Apostle 8382 2064 Principal - Ms Dee-Anne Peters

All Saints 83270020

Principal - Mrs Liz Keogh

Cardijn College 8392 9500 Principal - Dr P Rijken

Church Cleaning

For weekend 15/16 August Cleaning: Sharon Fletcher Vacuuming: Denise Bachman

Finances

For weekend 1/2 August 1st Collection \$1011 Support for Archdiocesan Priests 2nd Collection \$805 (36 envelopes) Open Plate \$754 Direct Debit July \$1661 Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to the community.

Noticeboard

The Parish Office is now open from 10.00am—3.00pm on Tuesday—Friday

IMPORTANT RULES TO BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED

These are State Government Rules and are to be strictly followed at all times

A fine of \$5,000 will apply to the Parish for non compliance of these rules

- Keep the 1.5 metre social distancing requirement at all times.
- Families from the same household are permitted to sit together.
- Choirs and other singing groups must be physically distanced as much as possible (because of increased droplet spread during these activities).
- Please record your name and contact number in the book provided in the foyer before entering the church.
- Use the hand sanitizer supplied on the table in the foyer.
- Collection bags are at the back of the church for envelopes, etc.

For your own safety and the safety of our community please be vigilant in following these arrangements. Thank you for your cooperation.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 2020

2-9 August

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week let us pray for all families in our parish and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

FEAST DAY—ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP SATURDAY 8 AUGUST

This year is the 10th anniversary of the canonisation of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop.



Mary Helen MacKillop (15 January 1842 - 8 August 1909), also known as Saint Mary of the Cross, was an Australian Roman Catholic nun who, together with Father Julian Tenison Woods, founded the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart and a number of schools and welfare institutions throughout Australasia with an emphasis on education for the poor, particularly in country areas. Since her death she has attracted much veneration in Australia and internationally.

On 17 July 2008, Pope Benedict XVI prayed at her tomb during his visit to Sydney for World Youth Day 2008. On 19 December 2009, Pope Benedict XVI approved the Roman Catholic Church's recognition of a second miracle attributed to her intercession. She was canonised on 17 October 2010 during a public ceremony in St Peter's Square at the Vatican. She is the only Australian to be recognised by the Roman Catholic Church as a saint.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA EVERY THURSDAY FROM 8.30AM TO 2.00PM

Pray for the healing of: Pastor Mark Kaesler, Frank Martucci, Alex Barrow, Heather D'Cruz, Valerie Wallis, Angela Young



Deceased:

Anniversaries:

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 August

	6.00pm	9.00am
Proclaimer 1		Angeline D'Cruz
Proclaimer 2	Paul Knobloch	Liz Brown
Welcomer	Brian Hanna	Connie Anderson
Roster:		
Projectionist		
Ministry	Grace	Praise

COLLECTIONS

As we are still restricted with passing around collection bags, the bags are on a table at the back of the Church for your convenience.

You are now also able to make donations to the first or second collections by downloading the Archdiocese of Adelaide App from your app store. See noticeboard for further details.

POSITION VACANT

Cleaner for Church Toilets

1 hour per week—some flexibility required with working hours

If interested please contact Toni Fishlock in the Parish Office on 8382 1717.

MASS TIMES—HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION-15 AUGUST

9.00am Noarlunga 9.00am Willunga 12.00 noon Normanville

WE CAN STILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE **BUSH FIRE APPEAL**

One of our parishioners, Jane, carries out garment repairs and alterations. Jane has generously offered to donate all the money she receives from this service this year to the Bush Fire Appeal.

If you need garments altered or repaired please contact Jane on 8382 8817.

WHAT'S ON

	Mon	Aug 10	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's
	Tues	Aug 11	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
			Mass at 9.15—St John's cancelled
			Parish Pastoral Council 7.00pm
e	Wed	Aug 12	Mass at 9.15am—SCC/All Saints
			Craft Group 10am—St Luke's
			Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's
	Thurs	Aug 13	Mass at 8.15am—St Luke's
			Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
			10.00am-12.00noon—Prayer Group
			Benediction 2.00pm—St Luke's
	Fri	Aug 14	Rosary 9.30am—St Luke's
		-	Mass at 10.00am—St Luke's
	Sat	Aug 15	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's
		-	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's
			Feast of Assumption
			Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's
	Sun	Aug 16	Mass at 9.00am and 5.30pm—St Luke's
		-	Mass at 10.45am—SCC

PARISH CENSUS

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN......



For the smooth running of the Noarlunga/Seaford Parish, from time to time we need to update all parish records etc.

This weekend you will find a leaflet on the information desk, please complete this leaflet and return it to the box provided in the Church foyer. Please pay particular attention to any changed phone numbers and email addresses as we found our records were not correct and we were unable to contact many of our parishioners to advise of Church arrangements during the pandemic.

Thank you so much for your cooperation. You will make our lives much easier!! Father Josy

PROPOSED PASTORAL CARE GROUP

The Parish Pastoral Council has floated the idea of developing a group of parishioners who might act as a Pastoral Care Group for the Seaford Noarlunga Parish Community.

This suggestion is in light of the recent effects of COVID-19 and how very easily a community can become disconnected. The majority of the parishioners at our churches are of a mature age and we would like to ensure there is a group of people, a Pastoral Care Group, that can reach out to offer support.

We would like to find out if there are any parishioners who are interested in forming this group and from there we will have conversations and discuss the best way to move forward with our good intentions. Please leave your name at the Parish Office on 8382 1717 if you are interested.

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(The following conditions apply at this time)

- Attendance for mass is dependent on the 1 in 2 sq.m rule restriction.
- This number also applies for funerals and weddings.
- Except for families and household groups, people should socially distance.
- There should be no physical contact outside one's family or household group.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details. Logs are located at the entrance to the Church.
- Hand sanitizer is to be available at church entrances.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- No collection plates or hymn books are to be passed around.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- 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.
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Offertory procession will be omitted.
- Care should be taking 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.

KANGAROO ISLAND PARISH

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NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD PARISH

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WILLUNGA PARISH Phone 8556 2132 (www.willungaparish.org.au)

(Continued from page 1) It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

EXPLORING THE WORD

A little noticed phrase in this text adds significantly to the way we understand this story. Jesus told the disciples to cross to the other side of the lake. In doing this they were heading away from the Jewish region and into gentile territory. The boat is a symbol of the Church and as such, we can detect in this text a reflection of the situation of Matthew's community who have been forced out of the synagogue and away from traditional Judaism. More and more, it is gentiles who are coming to belief in Jesus. This is causing fear and concern for some in the community.

Matthew gives a prominent place to Peter whose actions do not make sense except as a combination of impulsive love and faith weakened by doubt. While his full attention is on Jesus, Peter is fine, but as soon as he allows what is going on around him to distract him from Jesus, he begins to sink.

This text offers a parable of the Church besieged and being tossed about. Peter's response is to be bold and step out into the unknown, yet he is vulnerable. The great comfort is in the risen Lord stretching out his hand to restore morale. This manifestation of the power of Christ is greeted by that great acclamation of faith: Truly you are the Son of God.

SHARING THE TRADITION

The special role which Peter played in the core group of twelve disciples is well accepted. He is listed first among them, is often their spokesperson and he is clearly prominent in the original Jerusalem community. Tradition holds that Peter went to Rome and led the Christian community there. The Church accepts that the Bishop of Rome, the Pope, is the successor of Peter. What is important is the way Peter is portrayed: as a fisherman, fishing for souls (Lk 5:10); as the shepherd of the sheep of Christ (Jn 21:15-17); as an elder who addresses elders (1 Pt 5:1); as a receiver of special revelation (Acts 1:9-16); as one who can correct doctrinal misunderstanding (2 Pt 3:15-16); and as the rock on which the Church is built (Mt 16:18). Pope Francis is the 266th successor of Peter.

DID YOU KNOW?

- For the Hebrew people, the waters of the sea are a symbol of the chaos from which creation sprang. Never having been a seafaring people, they were fearful of the watery deep.
- Even today, storms can blow up on the Sea of Galilee very quickly and make it dangerous for boats out on the lake.
- In art, the Church is often represented as a boat. A boat carries its passengers through threatening waters but is not exempt from the turbulence of storms. The Church can bear us through the storms of life but it does not exempt us from the stresses and struggles.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS (10 - 16 August)

- *Monday, 10:* St Lawrence (2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26)
- *Tuesday, 11:* St Clare (Ezek 2:8-3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14)
- *Wednesday, 12:* Weekday, Ord Time 19 (Ezek 9:1-7, 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20)
- *Thursday, 13:* Weekday, Ord Time 19 (Ezek 12:1-12; Mt 18:21-19:1)
- *Friday, 14:* St Maximilian Mary Kolbe (Ezek 16:1-15, 60, 63; Mt 19:3-12)
- *Saturday, 15:* The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (Apoc 11:19, 12:1-6, 10; 1Cor 15:20-26; Lk 1:39-56)
- *Sunday 16:* 20th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28)

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).