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NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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OFFICE HOURS

Please ring and enquire - hours will be different to normal

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

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ANTIOCH YOUTH MINISTRY

For Antioch enquiries please ring the Parish Office (8382 1717)

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159



FIRST READING Ezekiel 37:12-14

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

SECOND READING Romans 8:8-11

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

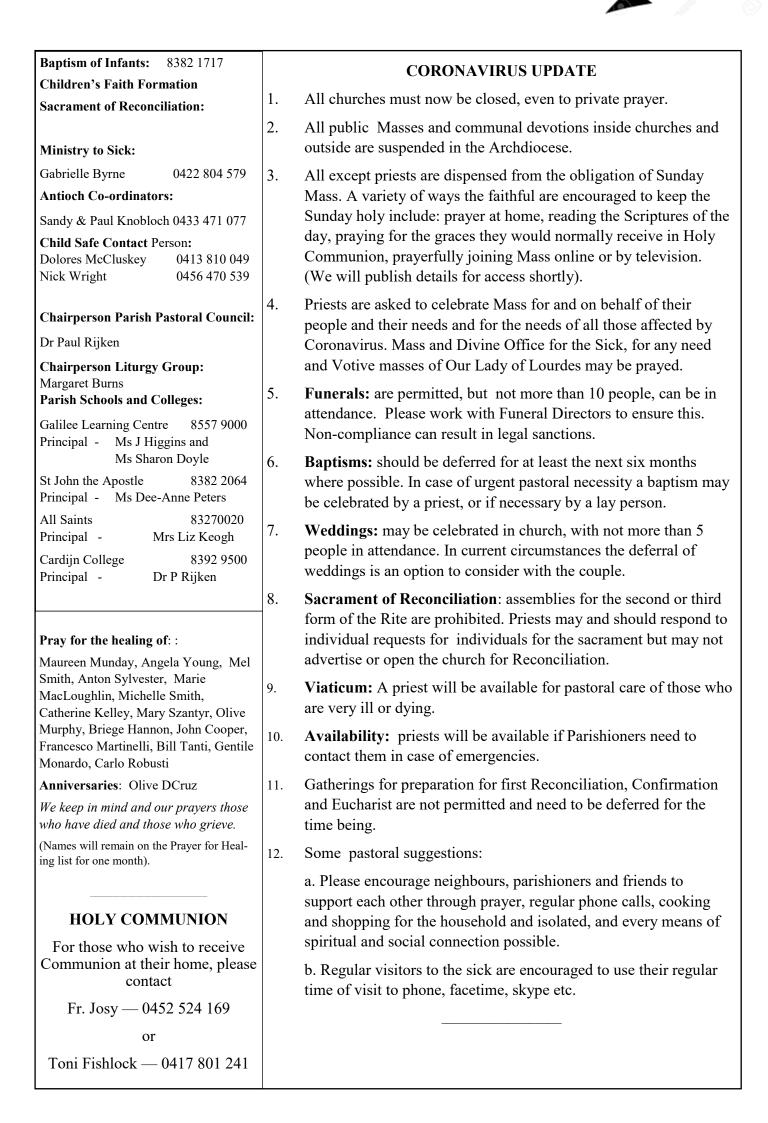
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

John 11:1-45

There was a man named Lazarus who lived in the village of Bethany with two sisters, Mary and Martha, and he was ill. It was the same Mary, the sister of the sick man Lazarus, who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair. The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.' Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' The disciples said, 'Rabbi, it is not long since the Jews wanted to stone you; are you going back again?' Jesus replied:

'Are there not twelve hours in the day? A man can walk in the daytime without stumbling because he has the light of this world to see by; but if he walks at night he stumbles, because there is no light to guide him.' *(Continued page 4)*



NEW ARCHBISHOP FOR ADELAIDE



"It is with pleasure that I announce the decision of the Holy Father to appoint Most Reverend Patrick O'Regan, presently Bishop of Sale, as the Metropolitan Archbishop of Adelaide.

Archbishop-designate O'Regan will be the 12th bishop of Adelaide and the ninth Archbishop. I thank the people and clergy of the Archdiocese for their great fidelity to Christ's mission during this time of

waiting. In particular, I thank Father Philip Marshall, who as Vicar General has given such outstanding and persevering service to the People of God in the Archdiocese.

The Office and responsibilities of the Apostolic Administrator continues until the installation of the new Archbishop."

Bishop Gregory O'Kelly, SJ

RENEWING THROUGH LENT 2020

Below is this week's Reflection from the booklet:

When Martha says, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into this world," she has no idea of the miracle that is about to take place, but she is quite certain of her faith and trust in Jesus. Lazarus is 'resuscitated' to his former life, but this new lease on life is a powerful sign of the eternal life that we are guaranteed through faith in Jesus.

The psalmist shows a similar faith and trust in God. Despite calling on God from the depths of pain and helplessness he acknowledges that life is to be found in God, because "with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption."

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Following the suspension of Masses and closure of churches, the Archdiocese has taken the decision to live stream Sunday Mass (with no congregation) from St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, commencing the Fifth Sunday of Lent (March 29) at 10am. The Mass can be viewed live or on demand (i.e. as a replay) at <u>www.adelaide.catholic.org.au.</u> It will also be available on Facebook or YouTube.

There are also plans to broadcast major Easter services such as Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday on Channel 44, a community television station which you can access on a standard television. More information will be available soon.

Recommended prayer and online Mass resources are available on the website, along with the **latest Coronavirus Protocols**.

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has further information at <u>https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus</u>





Fifth Sunday of Lent



Tawonga is a 10 year old girl, living with a disability. She lives in a village in norther Malawi in a region plagued by food insecurity and poverty. For most of her life, her parents have struggled to put meals on the table. Tawonga often had to miss school

because she was too sick from hunger. The family also faced discrimination in their community due to her disability. Since participating in a Caritas Australia supported program, Tawonga's life has transformed. Her family now grows enough food to provide three meals a day, ending the struggle of malnutrition and helping her thrive at school.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children and strengthen the communities around them.

Please donate to Project Compassion at www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413. You can also donate via the link: www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation

COLLECTIONS

Direct Payments

- 1. Go to <u>www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation</u> and follow the prompts. If you wish to donate to both the first and second collections, you will need to do this twice. For the first collection select *First Collection* and for the second collection, select *General*.
- If you bank online, you can set up periodic, direct payments yourself. Again, you will need to do this twice—once for the first collection and again for the second. Acc: Noarlunga Seaford Parish BSB: 085-005

Acc No: 489 753 939

- Ref: Your surname, Initials and First or General
- 3. Periodic regular payments may also be organized with your bank. Take the account details (above) with you and bank staff can set it up for you.
- **NB:** *First collection* is for the support of our Priests and *General* is for the support of our Parish.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE



THERE WILL BE NO MASSES OR PUBLIC LITURGIES IN ANY OF OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE THE NEWSLETTER ON YOUR PARISH WEBSITE

KANGAROO ISLAND PARISH

(www.kicatholic.org.au)

KINGSCOTE Our Lady of Perpetual Help, cnr Todd and Giles Streets

PENNESHAW St Columba, North Terrace



(www.noarlunga-seafordparish.org.au)

NOARLUNGA St Luke, the Evangelist, cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve

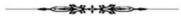
SEAFORD Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd



VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

(www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au) VICTOR HARBOR St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road

GOOLWA St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St



WILLUNGA PARISH (www.willungaparish.org.au)

ALDINGA Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple cnr Quinliven and How Roads

> NORMANVILLE St Peter, Cape Jervis Road

WILLUNGA St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street *(Continued from page 1)* He said that and then added, 'Our friend Lazarus is resting, I am going to wake him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he is able to rest he is sure to get better.' The phrase Jesus used referred to the death of Lazarus, but they thought that by 'rest' he meant 'sleep', so Jesus put it plainly, 'Lazarus is dead; and for your sake I am glad I was not there because now you will believe. But let us go to him.' Then Thomas – known as the Twin – said to the other disciples, 'Let us go too, and die with him.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. Bethany is only about two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to sympathise with them over their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.'

When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in a low voice, 'The Master is here and wants to see you.' Hearing this, Mary got up quickly and went to him. Jesus had not yet come into the village; he was still at the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who were in the house sympathising with Mary saw her get up so quickly and go out, they followed her, thinking that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

Mary went to Jesus, and as soon as she saw him she threw herself at his feet, saying, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' At the sight of her tears, and those of the Jews who followed her, Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

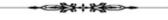
'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.



Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. (K Weber)



THIS WEEK'S READINGS (30 March - 05 April)

- *Monday, 30:* Mon, 5th week Lent (Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:1-11)
- *Tuesday, 31:* Tues, 5th week Lent (Num 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30)
- *Wednesday, 01:* Wed, 5th week Lent (Dan 3:14-20, 24-25, 28)
- *Thursday, 02:* Thur, 5th week Lent (Gen 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59)
- *Friday, 03:* Fri, 5th week Lent (Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42)
- *Saturday, 04:* Sat, 5th week Lent (Ezek 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56)
- *Sunday 05:* PALM SUNDAY (Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66)

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).