

Noarlunga/Seaford Catholic Parish

St Luke's, Noarlunga and Seaford Ecumenical Centre

(Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)

ALL SAINTS' DAY - YEAR A

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NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 10.00am - 3.00pm

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

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ASSISTANT PRIESTS

Fr Prathap Katta (8382 1717) Fr Arul Dev

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PARISH MANAGER/ NEWSLETTER

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(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

Apocalypse 7:2-4,9-14

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne. surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever.

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these

people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 23:1-6

Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

SECOND READING

1 John 3:1-3

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 11:28

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

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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

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All Saints

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Principal - Mrs Liz Keogh

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Cardijn College

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Principal - Dr P Rijken

Church Cleaning

For weekend 7 November

Cleaning: Mary Ryan &

Lyn Finkers

Vacuuming: Denise Bachman

Finances

For weekend 24/25 October 1st Collection \$670

Support for Archdiocesan Priests 2nd Collection \$763 (34 envelopes)

Open Plate \$530

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

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

Sunday 8 November.

Notice Board:



Dinner will be available after the Youth Mass on

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.
- 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.
- Please comply with any requests asked of you by the COVID Marshal.

ALL CHOIRS

Following discussion with members of the Pastoral Council the following decisions were made.

- NO CONGREGATIONAL SINGING
- ALL CHOIRS ARE RESTRICTED TO MAXIMUM OF 6 MEMBERS

LOVE ADELAIDE ABORTION BILL INFORMATION NIGHT

The South Australian Parliament is considering legalising abortion up until birth, yet the survival rates of premature babies continue to increase. Love Adelaide is holding an information evening about the proposed legislation on November 2 from 7pm-9pm at Temple Christian College. Due to COVID-19 attendees must RSVP to: https://www.loveadelaide.org.au/events2020

MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass for those who have died will be celebrated on Monday 2 November at 7.00pm.

All are welcome to join this commemoration and we ask you to extend a welcome to your friends/neighbours who may have lost loved ones, to join with the Noarlunga Seaford Parish Community to commemorate the lives of family and friends.

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.

PARISH SURVEY

The 2020 Noarlunga-Seaford Catholic Parish Pulse survey seeks quick and simple feedback from our Parish community so that the Parish Pastoral Council can begin planning for a POST COVID-19 time which is supportive of the Parish community.

The survey will be distributed at Masses on three weekends commencing 14/15 November and will be available online with the link published in the Newsletter on 14/15 November.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ST LUKE'S CHURCH - NOARLUNGA EVERY THURSDAY FROM 9.30AM TO 2.00PM **Pray for the healing of**: Shirley Lavender, Bill Tanti, Carlo Robusti, Gentile Monardo, Marlene Hemming, Valerie Wallis, Janet Hanna, Heather D'Cruz



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 7/8 Nov

	6.00pm	9.00am	
Proclaimer 1	Brenda Byrne	Mary Thomson	
Proclaimer 2	Margaret Mottram	Espi Tilbrook	
Welcomer	Christine Challis	lis Connie Anderson	
Roster:			
Projectionist		Carmel	
Ministry	Grace	Folk Group	

CEASING OF BROADCAST ON CHANNEL 44

Our Sunday Mass broadcast on Channel 44 will air for the last time on Sunday, November 8 at 5pm.

Sunday Mass will continue to be streamed on the Archdiocese's YouTube Channel, with the assistance of a more permanent system in the Cathedral. We will also continue our relationship with C44 for major events throughout the year. If you know of any friends or family that have been accessing C44 for Mass, please share this message.

PEOPLES CHOICE 2020 LOTTERY



Over the past years the congregations of Seaford and Noarlunga Downs have supported this lottery because we keep the funds raised. In this COVID year rather than having raffle books this lottery is to be done on line. There are still over \$300,000 in prizes that include two cars.

To purchase tickets enter this WEB address: *Communitylottery.peopleschoice.com.au*

Press enter

Click on: Peoples Choice 2020 lottery
Click on: BUY TICKETS (top of page)

Click on CHURCH

Scroll down to St Luke's Sharing Through Craft

and Click

Enter the number of tickets you require and click **ADD TO**CART

Tick 'agree' to terms box and click in CHECK OUT

Fill in your details and select your pay option.

An email will be sent to you with your tickets

WHAT'S ON

Mon	Nov 2	Mass at 9.00am - St Luke's	
		All Souls Memorial Mass 7.00pm—St Luke's	
Tues	Nov 3	Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's	
		Mass at 9.15—St John's—cancelled	
Wed	Nov 4	Mass at 9.15am—SCC/All Saints	
		Craft Group 10am	
		Mass at 7.30pm—St Luke's	
Thurs Nov 5		Mass at 9.00am—St Luke's	
		Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 9.30am	
		Prayer Meeting 10am	
		Benediction 2.00pm—St Luke's	
Fri	Nov 6	Rosary 9.30am—St Luke's	
		Mass at 10.00am—St Luke's	
Sat	Nov 7	Reconciliation at 9am—St Luke's	
		Mass at 6.00pm—St Luke's	
Sun	Nov 8	Mass at 9.00am and 5.30pm—St Luke's	
		Mass at 10.45am—SCC	

A LITTLE BIT OF PASTORAL CARE

Earlier this year three little glass fronted display cupboards were emptied at Onkaparinga Lodge (a Southern Cross Care Facility within our Parish).

Much to the delight of the residents, Joanna Lavelle lent us a selection of her hand made miniatures to put on show in the cupboards. They gave so much pleasure to so many that we are now looking to have another display.

If you collect "little things" - thimbles, matchbox cars, little ceramics and the like and would be prepared to lend some to us you would be giving our elderly friends some real pleasure. Each of the three cupboards has four shelves approx 12cm deep and 20cm high and are locked at all times.

If you think you might have something of interest please speak to Mary Thomson Ph 8382 9476 or leave a message so I can get back to you. Thank you so much.

NEWS FROM SCC

SCC Annual General Meeting. This will be held on Thursday, November 19 at 7.30 pm. It's been a challenging year, but life in SCC has continued to develop. It is an opportunity to familiarise ourselves with the workings of the organisation that, not only provides a home for 5 Christian communities to gather and worship, but also has a number of activities and outreach services to support people's lives in the wider Seaford community. Pleas mark the date on your calendar and come along to this important meeting.

Memorial Service for our loved ones who have died. Next Sunday, 1 November, is the eve of All Souls day, when we traditionally pray for our loved ones who have died. All are invited to our Service to remember our loved ones who have died, our first Ecumenical service for this year, here in the large worship space at 3.00 pm. It will be followed by a cuppa and an opportunity to catch up with one another.

Christmas Lunch. You are invited to join us for Christmas Lunch \$12 pp including choice of dessert, and tea or coffee at SCC(SEM) Cafe on Friday November 27 at 12.15pm. Tickets available from Frank Busuttil: tel 0405 741 732 or following Sunday Mass at SCC or in person at SCC Cafe.

COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS

(The following conditions apply for the time being)

- 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.
- Singing as a congregation is to be avoided at this time.
- Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around but a single drop point is provided at the churches.
- Offertory procession will be omitted.
- 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.
- 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.

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GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Every year the Church recalls the example, witness, and prayer of the holy women and men who have been identified by the Church as Saints. These saints are more than just role models: they are family members with whom we continue to share relation, in a bond of prayer, called the Communion of Saints. Every year when we celebrate this day, the Gospel we proclaim recalls for us Jesus' teaching about happiness, the Beatitudes. We quickly note in this reading that none of those Jesus names as "blessed" or "happy" are expected . . . the poor in spirit, the meek, the persecuted. Jesus' blueprint for happiness reflects little of what the world might call happiness. What does Jesus mean when he uses the word "blessed?" This word is sometimes translated as "happy" or "fortunate" or "favored." In other words, Jesus is saying that divine favor is upon those who are poor, who mourn, who are persecuted. This

might have been welcome and surprising news to the crowds who heard Jesus that day.

The Beatitudes can be understood as a framework for Christian living. Because of this, it is natural that we proclaim this Gospel on the Feast of All Saints. Saints are people who lived the spirit of the Beatitudes as Jesus lived. On this day, we too are challenged to model our lives on the spirit and promises of the Beatitudes.

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ALL SAINTS' DAY

All Saints' Day is a surprisingly old feast. It arose out of the Christian tradition of celebrating the martyrdom of saints on the anniversary of their martyrdom. When martyrdoms increased during the persecutions of the late Roman Empire, local dioceses instituted a common feast day in order to ensure that all martyrs, known and unknown, were properly honoured.

Why November 1?

The current date of November 1 was instituted by Pope Gregory III (731-741), when he consecrated a chapel to all the martyrs in Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome. Gregory ordered his priests to celebrate the Feast of All Saints annually. This celebration was originally confined to the diocese of Rome, but Pope Gregory IV (827-844) extended the feast to the entire Church and ordered it to be celebrated on November 1.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(02 - 08 November)

- *Monday, 02:* All Souls' Day (Readings from Masses for the Dead)
- *Tuesday, 03:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 31 (Phil 2:5-11; Lk 14:15-24)
- *Wednesday, 04:* St Charles Borromeo (Phil 2:12-18; Lk 14:25-33)
- *Thursday, 05:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 31 (Phil 3:3-8; Lk 15:1-10)
- *Friday, 06:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 31 (Phil 3:17-4:1; Lk 16:1-8)
- *Saturday, 07:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 31 (Phil 4:10-19; Lk 16:9-15)
- *Sunday 08:* 32nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thess 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13)

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).