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*(All items for the newsletter must be
received no later than Tuesday
evening.)*

MASS CENTRES

- **KINGSCOTE:** Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Cnr Giles/Todd Sts
Sunday - 9.30am
- **PARNDANA:** Uniting Church,
Cook Street
2nd and 4th Sunday - 2.30pm
- **PENNESHAW:** St Columba's
Anglican Church, Cnr North
Terrace and Fourth Street
1st Sunday - 2.00pm

SPONSORSHIP

KANGAROO ISLAND

TRANSFERS (0427 887 575)
generously donate transport for our
visiting Priests.

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159



FIRST READING

Genesis 3:9-15

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden,' he replied 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.'

Then the Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this,

'Be accursed beyond all cattle,
all wild beasts.

You shall crawl on your belly and
eat dust every day of your life.

I will make you enemies of each
other: you and the woman, your
offspring and her offspring.

It will crush your head
and you will strike its heel.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 129

*With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption.*

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture – I believed, and therefore I spoke – we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. *(Cont. page 4)*

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JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Dorothy 'Mardi' Atktison, William 'Bill' Bauer, Shirley Black, Doris Bosanko, Norma 'Aileen' Cartel, Tony Cairney, William Christopher, Craig Feltus, Mary Alice Grace, Benjamin Hayes, Henry Hughes, Sarah Hughes, Fr. P. P. Kelly, Alan Lashmar, Ann McAnnally, James McAnnally, Lillian Murphy, Laurence O'Daly, Dean Page, Ruth Perkins, Molly Polly, Edna Rayson, Mary - Douglas Rosentreter, Henry Tabor, Michael Wilcox, Alice Willson, Brian Willson and all the faithful departed

Prayers for the Sick

Please pray for Leonie Bald, Brooke Baker & Family, Sam Baynes, Annemeike Berden, Marj and Jimmy Browne, Jill Buist, Denice Carter, Barry Dunn, Katerina Faist, Lloyd & Aileen Dodson & family, Jenny Fechner, Diane Florenance, Emma Fulwood, Roy Gatton, Charles & Sue Gorman, Hans Hendrix, John Lavers, Elijah & Magenta Laundry and family, Victor Marshal, Ben Martin, Janice Mills, Dianne McCarthy, Philip McDonald, Peter Murray, Max Moss, Darren Morris, Deidre Morrison, Mick Muller, Carmel Northcott, Rocco Nield, Jack Pitcher, Margaret Rich, Anthony Roestenburg, Bill Roestenburg, Claudine Shelton, Darren Smith, Fiona Smith, John Smith, Peter Smith, Linda Tippet, Noelene Thomas, Greg Turner, Patrick Walsh, Sr Margaret Wallace, Anthony Weatherstone, Rob Wilkinson and Gavin Willson.

May they know the healing love of Christ through our actions and His healing presence.

Safe guarding our children and young people.

Children have the right to be free from sexual abuse.

We all want the best for our children and want to teach them right from wrong so they grow into caring and happy adults. It is important however for adults to practise compassion and care as well as discipline, remembering that children are vulnerable and are harmed by cruel treatment. Children have the right to safety from violence of any kind as do adults. Let us teach and guide our children gently and with love, just as God teaches and guides us with compassion, care and forgiveness.

PARISH NOTICES –10/06/18

1. Thank you to Fr Jack Otto for saying Mass for us today.
2. Next Sunday there will be Mass with **xxxxxxx?**
3. Confession is available every Sunday in Kingscote at 30 minutes before Mass.

Would any one be interested in a movie night to see "The Shack". Please express your interest by putting your name on the list at the back of the Church.



Ron Rolheiser column

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ON BEING THE BELOVED DISCIPLE

The Gospel of John presents us with a very powerful and rather earthy mystical image: As John describes the Last Supper scene he tells us that as they were at table the beloved disciple was reclining with his head against Jesus' breast.

The power of that image has, I believe, been better captured by artists than by theologians and biblical scholars. Artists and iconographers generally present the image to us in this way: The beloved disciple has his head leaning on Jesus' breast in such a way that his ear is directly above Jesus' heart but in such a way that his eyes are fixed outward looking at the world.

What a powerful image! If you put your ear at just the right place on someone's chest you can hear that person's heartbeat. The beloved disciple then is the one who is attuned to the heartbeat of God and is looking out at the world from that vintage point.

Further, John gives us a series of other images to flesh out the implications of hearing God's heartbeat.

First, the beloved disciple stands with Jesus' mother at the foot of the cross as Jesus is dying. What's encapsulated in this image? In Luke's Gospel, Jesus admits that sometimes darkness seems to overpower grace and God seems powerless: *Sometimes darkness just has its hour!* His death was one of those hours and the beloved disciple, like Jesus' mother, could do nothing other than stand in helplessness inside and beneath that darkness and injustice. There was nothing to be done but to stand inside the helplessness. But, by standing there, the beloved disciple also stands in solidarity with the millions of poor and victimized all over the world

who can do nothing against their plight. When one stands in helplessness when there's nothing possible to be done one gives silent voice to human finitude, the deepest prayer possible at that moment. Then, afterwards, the beloved disciple takes the mother of Jesus into his home, an image that doesn't need much elaboration.

However, a second image connected with the beloved disciple leaning on Jesus' breast does need some elaboration: As the beloved disciple reclines on the breast of Jesus an interesting dialogue takes place: Jesus tells his disciples that one of them will betray him. Peter turns to the beloved disciple and says to him: "Ask him who it is?" This begs the question: Why doesn't Peter himself ask Jesus who it is who will betray him? Peter would not have been sitting so far away from Jesus as to not be able to ask the question himself.

Moreover Peter's question takes on its real significance when seen in its historical context. Scholars estimate that the Gospel of John was written somewhere between the years 90 – 100 AD. By then Peter had been Pope and had been martyred. What the Gospel is suggesting here is that intimacy with Jesus trumps everything else, including ecclesial office, including being Pope.

Everyone's prayer has to go through the beloved disciple. The Pope cannot pray as Pope but only pray as the beloved disciple (which, like any other Christian, he can be). He can offer prayers for the world and for the church as Pope, but he can pray personally only as beloved disciple.

Finally, the notion in the Gospel of John that intimacy with Jesus is more important the ecclesial office is further illustrated on the morning of the Resurrection. Mary Magdala comes running from tomb and tells

the disciples that the tomb is empty. Peter and the beloved disciple set off at once, running towards the tomb. We can easily guess who will arrive there first. The beloved disciple easily outruns Peter, not because he's perhaps a younger man but because *love outruns authority*. The Pope can also get there first, if he runs as the beloved disciple rather than as a pope.

It is commonly assumed that the beloved disciple was the Evangelist himself, John. That may in fact be correct, but that is not what the Gospel text wants you to conclude. The historical identity of the beloved disciple is deliberately left an open question because the Gospel wants that concept, to be the beloved disciple of Jesus, to be a designation that beckons and fits you – and beckons and fits every Christian in the world, including, hopefully too, the Pope himself.

Who is the beloved disciple? The beloved disciple is any person, woman, man, or child who is intimate enough with Jesus so as to be attuned to the heartbeat of God and who then sees the world from that place of intimacy, prays from that place of intimacy, and sets off in love to seek the Risen Lord and grasp the meaning of his empty tomb.

Mystical images are best illuminated by other mystical images. With this in mind, I leave you with an image from the 4th century Desert Father, Evagrius of Pontus:

*Breast of the Lord
Kingdom of God
Who rests against it
A theologian shall be.*

You can read, or download, Ron Rolheiser's weekly columns from his website at: www.ronrolheiser.com

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES

ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
cnr Quinliven and How Roads
Saturday 5.30pm
Tuesday 9.15am

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St
Sunday 9.00am
Wednesday 9.30am

KINGSCOTE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
cnr Todd and Giles Streets
Sunday 9.30am

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
1st Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 8.45am (St Luke's)
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)
Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am
1st Friday 6.00pm

PARNDANA

2nd, 4th Sunday 2.30pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace
(shared with Anglicans)
1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission,
Grand Bvd
Sunday 10.45am
Wednesday 9.15am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday (other than 1st) 9.00am
1st Friday 11.30am

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street
1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am
2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am
Wednesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday 9.00am

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And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 12:31, 32

Alleluia, alleluia!

The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 3:20-35

Jesus went home with his disciples, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind.

The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either – it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house.

'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.'

His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a

message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'

EXPLORING THE WORD

In Mark's Gospel today the scribes 'from Jerusalem' accuse Jesus of blasphemy and acting for Satan. They fail to see that in casting out demons Jesus is actually undermining the power of the evil one, dividing his 'house'. Instead, the scribes themselves are guilty of blasphemy. They attribute a power from God – the power to cast out demons – to Satan himself. God is willing to forgive all sins but the inability to distinguish good from evil makes one impervious to the presence of God and therefore beyond forgiveness. Those who recognise and do the will of God are the family members who stand united in faith.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(11 - 17 June)

- **Monday, 11:** St Barnabas (Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3; Mt 10:7-13)
- **Tuesday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1 Kg 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16)
- **Wednesday, 13:** St Anthony of Padua (1Kg 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19)
- **Thursday, 14:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1Kg 18:41-46; Mt 5:20-26)
- **Friday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1Kg 19:9, 11-16; Mt 5:27-32)
- **Saturday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 10 (1Kg 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37)
- **Sunday 17:** 11th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Ezek 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34)

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know.

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