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CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

WEEKEND MASSES

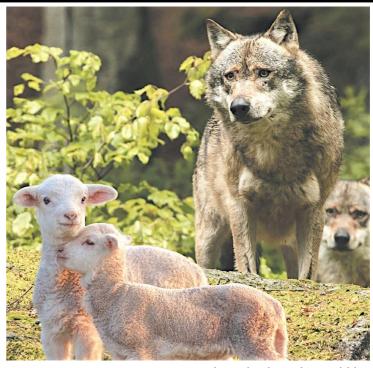
Kingscote at 9.30am

CONFESSION

Kingscote at 9.00am (prior to Mass)

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Prayers for Healing and Renewal in the Church - Thursdays at 9.00am



FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:10-14

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 65:1-7, 16, 20

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

SECOND READING

Galatians 6:14-18

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,

through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Col 3:15, 16

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. (Continued page 4)

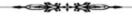
PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Bill Roestenburg, Peter Weatherstone, Sue Semler, Joelle Davidson

Recently deceased: Mary Connell

july anniversaries: Alma Adams, Eadie Adams, Sid Adams, Peg Anderson, Lill Buick, Phil Connell, John Connell, Henry Dravitzki, Leon Fahey, Paul Glynn, Joyce Grant, Mick Grant, Bill Higgins, Monica Hughes, Barry Jamieson, Judith Jeffs, Damian Howard, Leigh McDonald, Kym Moses, Cameron Muirhead, Ron Mumford, Alexander Nash, Alice O'Neill, Alice O'Driscoll, Jill Perkins, Charles Reynolds, Nora Ridge, Johnny Tully, John Walsh, Tony Walker, Robyn Williams and all the faithful departed.

Please pray for all the faithful departed and may all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ.



PARISH ROSTERS

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PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops u 03/07 Fr Jack Otto

COVID RESTRICTIONS

For the latest Archdiocesan restrictions please see page 4 of this bulletin.

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

For those of you who wish to make your weekly contributions to the first and second collections by direct debit, these are the banking details for each.

1st Collection: BSB 085 005 A/c No 585353994 Reference: K Island or 765

2nd Collection: BSB 085 005 A/c No 918111484 Reference: Your name

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Priests and Parish facilities.

BUSINESS NAME

Our Church, Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, now has a business name, **Kangaroo Island Catholic**

Parish, to simplify the name for invoice addressing. If you are sending, or have asked people to do work at the Church, the invoices need to be addressed to the new business name: Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish PO Box 749, KINGSCOTE, SA 5223.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY 28 August

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on the 28 August. The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, Respect: Confronting violence and abuse, invites us to nurture relationships marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control. The Statement provides contacts for those who are experiencing violence and abuse to get help, and for people who want assistance to change their behaviour. More information: Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or (02) 6201 9845.

FROM FR ANTHONI

Your peace will rest upon him

The Gospel we have just heard tells us that, as well as the Twelve Apostles, Jesus calls another seventy-two disciples and that he sends them to the villages and cities to announce the Kingdom of God (cf. Lk 10:1-9, 17-20). He comes to bring the love of God to the world and he wishes to share it by means of communion and fraternity. To this end he immediately forms a community of disciples, a missionary community, and he trains them how to "go out" on mission. The method is both clear and simple: the disciples visit homes and their preaching begins with a greeting which is charged with meaning: "Peace "be to this house!". It is not only a greeting, but also a gift: the gift of peace.

In the mission of the seventy-two disciples we see a reflection of the Christian community's missionary experience in every age: the risen and living Lord sends not only the Twelve, but the entire Church; he sends each of the baptized to announce the Gospel to all peoples. Through the ages, the message of peace brought by Jesus' messengers has not always been accepted; at times, the doors

have been closed to them. At this present time, the doors of are closed, locked by the chains of prohibitions and prescriptions of a system which denied God and impeded religious freedom. Those who are afraid of the truth did everything they could to banish God from the hearts of men and women and to exclude Christ and the Church.

Jesus equips us with the message we must bring to our world: "Peace be with this house." It is a gift we must offer to our world. Jesus knows very well that this is what our world needs most, and he is ever ready to let us have it. With the peace that Christ offers us, we must be prepared to transform our world from a culture of war and hatred to a culture of peace. He invites us to be instruments of his peace. What we must bring to our world is the good news of the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Peace is precious and golden. Like joy, it is contagious. If we have peace, it must affect others positively. Therefore, like Francis of Assisi, let us pray: "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy."

(Excerpts from Pope Francis homilies)

ADELAIDE FIRE WEEKEND

Saturday July 16 - 10.00am-9.00pm Sunday July 17 - 10.00am-2.00pm

Deepen in the Holy Spirit and be equipped for evangelisation over two days of talks from interstate speakers, charismatic praise and worship, Masses, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and fellowship. Families, youth and all are welcome!

Venue: St Mary's College, Adelaide. Suggested donation (covers all meals, event costs and children's retreat): \$25 school students, \$30 concession, \$40 adults, Pre-schoolers free.

Bookings essential: trybooking.com/BZVRL. For more information - adelaidefireweekend@gmail.com

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend - NATSICC Appeal



Ron Rolheiser column

Ronald Rolheiser, a Roman Catholic priest and member of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. He is a community-builder, lecturer and writer. His books are popular throughout the English-speaking world and his weekly column is carried by more than sixty newspapers worldwide

CHEAP GRACE

There's a tension among Christians today between those who would extend God's mercy everywhere, seemingly without any conditions, and those who are more reticent and discriminating in dispensing it. The tension comes out most clearly in our debates concerning who may receive the sacraments: Who should be allowed to receive the Eucharist? Who should be allowed to marry inside a church? Who should be allowed a Christian burial? When should a priest withhold absolution in confession?

However, this tension is about a lot more than who should be allowed to receive certain sacraments. Ultimately, it's about how we understand God's grace and mercy. A clear example of this today is the growing opposition we see in some sectors to the person and approach of Pope Francis. To his critics, Francis is soft and compromising. To them, he is dispensing cheap grace, making God and His mercy as accessible as the nearest water tap. God's embrace to all. No conditions asked. No prior repentance called for. No demand that there first be a change in the person's life. Grace for all. No cost.

What's to be said about this? If we dispense God grace and mercy so indiscriminately doesn't this strip Christianity of much of its salt and leaven? May we simply embrace and bless everyone without any moral conditions? Isn't the Gospel meant to confront?

Well, the very phrase cheap grace is an oxymoron. There's no such a thing as cheap grace. All grace, by definition, is unmerited just as all grace, by definition, doesn't ask for certain preconditions to be met in order for it to be offered and received. The very essence of grace is that it is a gift, free, undeserved. And, though by its very nature grace often does evoke a response of love and a change of heart, it does not of itself demand them.

There's no more powerful example of this than Jesus' parable of the

prodigal son and how it illustrates how grace meets waywardness. We know the story. The prodigal son abandons and rejects his father, takes his unearned inheritance, goes off to a foreign land (a place away from his father) and squanders the money in the pursuit of pleasure. When he has wasted everything, he decides to return to his father, not because he suddenly has a renewed love for him, but, selfish still, because he is hungry. And, we know what happens. When he is still a long way from his father's house, his father (no doubt longing for his return) runs out to meet him and, before his son even has an opportunity to apologize, embraces him unconditionally, takes him back into his house and prepares a special celebration for him. Talk about cheap grace!

Notice to whom this parable was spoken. It was addressed to a group of sincere religious persons who were upset precisely because they felt that by embracing and eating with sinners (without first demanding some moral preconditions) Jesus was cheapening grace, making God's love and mercy too accessible, hence less precious. Notice as well the reaction of many of Jesus' contemporaries when they saw him dining with sinners. For example, when he dined with Zacchaeus, the tax collector, the Gospels tell us, "All who saw it began to grumble." Interesting how that discontent persists.

Why? Why this anxiety? What undergirds our "grumbling"? Concern for true religion? Not really. The deeper root of this anxiety is not religious but grounded rather in our nature and in our wounds. Our resistance to naked gift, to raw gratuity, to unconditional love, undeserved grace, stems rather from something inside our instinctual DNA that is hardened by our wounds. A combination of nature and wound imprints in us the belief that any gift, not least love and forgiveness, needs to be merited. In this life, no free meal! In religion, no free grace! A conspiracy between our nature and our wounds keeps

forever reminding us that we are unlovable, and that love must be merited; it cannot be free because we are unworthy.

Overcoming that inner voice that is perpetually reminding us that we are unlovable is, I believe, the ultimate struggle (psychological and spiritual) in our lives. Moreover, don't be fooled by protests to the contrary. People who glibly radiate how lovable they are and make protests to that effect are mostly trying to keep that fear at bay.

Saint Paul wrote his Epistle to the Romans as his dying message. He devotes its first seven chapters to simply affirming over and over again that we cannot get our lives right. We are morally incapable. However, his repeated emphasis that we cannot get our lives right is really a set-up for what he really wants to leave with us, namely, we don't have to get our lives right. We are loved in spite of our sin, and we are given everything freely, gratuitously, irrespective of any merit on our part.

Our uneasiness with unmerited grace is rooted more in a human insecurity than in any genuine religious concern.

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



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 29/06/22)



A number of issues relating to COVID-19 have been clarified by the Archbishop. They are as follows:

- No density limits for places of worship; churches can return to full capacity.
- QR codes or sign-ins are no longer required.
- Masks are highly recommended.
- COVID marshals are no longer required except for events covered by a COVID management plan (ie more than 1000 people)

The following activities may resume:

- · Procession of gifts
- Collections (please be mindful to minimise contact when passing)
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- After Mass gatherings and Parish meetings.



ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY

This Sunday (June 3), parishes around the country celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The image of the vineyard is often used in the Old Testament as an image of God's people. They must be tended to and cultivated well so that the harvest is a rich one.
- All baptised people are called to be a part of this missionary activity of the church.

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Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road.

'Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house.

'Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

SLEEPING LIKE A BABY

I love watching babies at church. I suppose I shouldn't admit that. It might sound as if I'm confessing to being distracted and not paying attention. But how can you not pay attention to a newborn – yawning, scrunching her little nose up, or trying to jam a fist into his mouth? And when they're a bit older it's fun to watch them look around from their perch in Mum or Dad's arms, taking in the lights and colours and strange people, their eyes wide with curiosity. My favourites are the ones who are totally collapsed into their parent's shoulder so we get to see their sweet sleeping face so full of contentment. As the parents move up to Communion or sway to the music (holding a baby gives you a license to

sway in church), the child's every need is met and the little one is content and satisfied and living in the now.

That's a state we can spend the rest of our lives trying to recapture. In fact the reading this week from Isaiah proclaims a promise from God that those who are faithful will be comforted, fed, carried in God's arms, and filled with joy so that we can collapse, like contented newborns, into God's care.

Yes, I love watching babies at church, and after hearing Isaiah describe God's promises, I know that this pastime isn't a distraction, it's a flesh-and-blood meditation on God's total love for each and every person – even me.

The Commissioning: There is a harvest to be gathered for the Christian cause. You are challenged to be among those who gather the harvest. As harvesters, we will know when to speak and when to listen. We will know those to approach and those to avoid. We will know the times of opportunity and the inopportune times. We will know the scriptures that are appropriate and those that are not helpful. We will be ready to work practically and pray carefully. Remember the words of Jesus: "There is a large harvest but few workers to gather it in". GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(04 - 10 July)

- *Monday, 04:* Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26)
- *Tuesday, 05:* Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38)
- Wednesday, 06: Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 20:1-7)
- *Thursday, 07:* Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Hosea 11:1-4, 8-9; Mt 10:7-15)
- *Friday, 08:* Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Hosea 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23)
- *Saturday, 09:* Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33)
- *Sunday 10:* Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37)

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) 8210 8155 or in an emergency 0417 080 955