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CHILD PROTECTION

We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, well-being and protection of children and young people.

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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

2 Samuel 5:1-3

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel." So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 121:1-5

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:12-20

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.

Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mk 11:9.10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 23:35-43

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

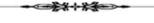
One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. (Continued page 4)

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Annette Roestenburg, Anita Gibbs, Stephanie Langridge, Carmen Northcott, Joella Davidson

November anniversaries:: Jim Airton, Francis E Bannan, Vic Banner, Clorice Bates, Toni Berden, Leon Bourke, Imogen Brinkley, Harold Burgess, Donald Chalmers, Tim Clark, Evelyn Drane, Roy Gaton, John and Dien Hendrix, Carmel Higgins, Agnes Hughes, Margaret Hughes, Peggy Imboden, Andrew Kelly, Thomas Lydon, John McDonald, Colleen Moore, Roger Pahl, Teresa Paniza, Sam Perkins, Roy Rayson, Helen Redden, Patricia Ross, Harold Semler, Marie Slagter, Pat Smith, Graham Turner, Gwen Willson.

Please pray for all the faithful departed and all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends.



PARISH ROSTERS

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PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops up) 20/11 Communion Liturgy 27/11 Communion Liturgy 29/11 Fr Anthoni Adimai (Blessing of the Graves)

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

A big thank you for the people who have supported the clients of Louise Place. All the clients now have someone to buy their presents.

CUPPA AFTER MASS

Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee after Mass today. Everyone most welcome.

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

NOVEMBER IS ALL SOULS MONTH

The Parish Commemoration Book will be available for you to inscribe the names of deceased family members. Please provide Fr Adimai with written lists of names of deceased family members, so they may be interceded for at Mass on 27 November.

Envelopes will be provided for donations for Masses for the Dead and parishioners may provide names. These Masses will be offered in Third World countries.

Blessing of Graves

Mass will be said at 6.00pm on Monday 28 November at Kingscote Cemetery after which graves will be blessed.

CHURCH 'SPRING CLEAN'

We are having a "Spring-clean" of the Church on Wednesday 21 December in readiness for Christmas. Please bring your cleaning gear for a start at 9.00am. Many hands make the light work and the work light!

SEVENHILL PILGRIMAGE

for Young Adults aged 18 - 35 8am-6pm Saturday November 26

Join COYYA and the Jesuits at the Sevenhill at Sevenhill Centre of Ignatian Spirituality for a pilgrimage to Sevenhill.

The day will include a 2-hour (9km) pilgrimage walk from Watervale to the Sevenhill Centre of Ignatian Spirituality and Winery along the Riesling Trail followed by a retreat at Sevenhill, time for personal reflection and opportunities to meet other young adults. Lunch and wine tasting will also be included.

Cost: \$40 which includes transport, retreat, lunch and wine tasting.

Registrations due by Wednesday November 16 and can be bought at: www.trybooking.com/CDKPM Contact:

<u>coyyaadl@cesa.catholic.edu.au</u> for further information.

CLIMATE CHANGE SEMINAR

Tuesday November 29, 3.30pm - 6.15pm Adelaide.

All are welcome to attend this online seminar - our aim is to share ideas,

hopes and practical proposals to enable us to make beneficial contributions aligned with our faiths, in response to the escalating threat of climate change. Speakers include Rev James Bhagwan, Pacific Council of Churches, and regional representatives from the Asian Conference of Religions for Peace across Asia and Australia including Philippa Rowland from the Archdiocesan office.

Zoom Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYrf-mtpiksGtWyv0kT0UxlWtEvYY4V43N6

GOLDEN JUBILEE MASS

Friends and parishioners would be most welcome to join Bishop Greg O'Kelly SJ in a Mass of Thanksgiving for the 50th anniversary of his ordination to priesthood in the Norwood church on December 9, 1972.

We will celebrate it at the 10.00am Mass on Sunday December 11. Light refreshments in the Hall.

Your presence and prayers for his ministry would be much appreciated.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS

The Church around the world has entered the Continental Stage for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups around the country are praying with and responding to the Document for the Continental Stage, which was published recently.

Download prayer resources, including for use in liturgies, read the document and access the submission portal at: www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch.



This vase has had enough of your nonsense!



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

IN EXILE

Forty years ago in November of 1982, I began writing this column while a doctoral student in Belgium. I chose to call it "In Exile" for two reasons. Superficially, I chose this title because I was living in Europe, far from much of what I considered as home. While I was not pretending to be Robert Browning, writing *Home-Thoughts*, *From* Abroad, I did take an amateur's delight in the small parallel. For much more significant reasons, I chose this title because all of us live our lives in exile. We live our lives (as St. Paul says) seeing "as through a glass, darkly." We live in our separate riddles, partially separated from God, each other, and even from ourselves. We experience some love, some community, some peace, but never these in their fullness. Our individual existence places a certain barrier between us and full community. We live, truly, as in a riddle. God, who is omnipresent, cannot be physically sensed; others, who are as real as we, are always partially distanced and unreal; and we, in the end, are fundamentally a mystery even to ourselves.

In that sense, all of us are far from home, in exile, longing to know more fully and to be known more fully, distanced from so much. And, while on this pilgrimage, our perspectives are only partial; our vision, even at best, that of the "foreigner," one out of the mainstream, who does not fully see nor understand.

From this exiled perspective, I have for forty years offered my reflections. The column has taken a variety of forms. As Margaret Atwood once said: "What touches you is what you touch!" I have touched on a whole lot of things; but all of them, in their own fashion, were in one way or another trying to untangle the riddle, to end the exile, to help to get a pilgrim home!

Initially, the column ran in only one newspaper, the Western Catholic Reporter. In 1987, the Green Bay Compass picked it up, and one year later the Portland Sentinel began to publish it. In 1990, the column got a major break. It was picked up by the Catholic Herald in London, England, a national paper in the United Kingdom that, at the time, was privately owned by Otto Herschan who also owned the *Irish* Catholic, a national paper in Ireland, and the Scottish Catholic Observer, a national paper in Scotland. With that, the column now had a home in six newspapers in five countries, nationally in three of them. Moreover, with lax copyright laws in Asia that are not as rigorous, nor as enforced, as here and, soon, a number of dioceses in Asia began to pirate the column and publish it.

The early 1990s brought more breakthroughs for the column: The Catholic Register and the *Prairie Messenger*, both national papers in Canada, picked up the column in 1992. To my mind, that was circulation enough. However, after the publication of *The Holy* Longing in the USA in 1999, the column's circulation exploded. Within three years, it was being carried by more than sixty newspapers in more than ten countries. That has since grown to more than eighty papers. Since 2008, the column has also been published in both Spanish and Vietnamese and is finding a readership in Vietnam, in Mexico, and in parts of Latin America.

I owe a debt of gratitude to a lot of people but need to single out several to thank specially. First, a deep thanks to the *Western Catholic Reporter* (in Edmonton, Canada)and its then editor, Glenn Argan. It was the first newspaper and Glenn Argan was the first editor to take a chance on me, an unknown prairie boy with little in the way of sophisticated credentials or contacts. Because of

this, through all these forty years, I have always coded the column as *WCR* because, before anyone else, I was writing it for the *Western Catholic Reporter*. Today, each week, when it is emailed to some eighty plus newspapers, it goes out under the coded label "*WCR*". I suspect none of the editors receiving it know what that means, but now you know.

A special thanks to Delia Smith for taking the column to the *Catholic Herald* in London and to Otto Herschan its then owner and publisher. From 1990 until his death, Otto made sure that any newspaper he published had my column in it. As well, deep thanks to JoAnne Chrones, my tireless Executive Secretary for these past 28 years, to Kay Legried, who pitched the column to various newspapers, and to Doug Mitchell who lays a critical, proofreading eye, to every column.

Truth be told, when I first began writing this column, I was probably more solicitous about bringing a column to birth than about helping bring God's kingdom to birth. Our motivation is perennially in need of purification. I hope that I have matured in this area during these forty years and my biggest thank you of all goes out to you, the reader...

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 18/11/22)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please follow the instructions as per SA Health in terms of contact tracing and isolating yourself as per government health protocols. Please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Wearing of face-masks in Church is strongly recommended.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact



ADVENT



Advent is the season of new beginnings. A new liturgical year begins on the First Sunday of Advent (next Sunday - 27 November) and it beckons to us with images of transformation and hope. It is the season of the impossible becoming possible. In the scriptures we read of the dry, barren wilderness bursting into bloom; of broken hearts healing; of a barren woman and a young virgin both conceiving children. It is the season of longing and light. Week by week, candles are lit on the Advent wreath signifying our longing for the light of Christ, as the time of his birth draws

Yet Advent heralds more than Christ's birth. It paves our way toward celebrating Christ as God-with-us, God in human flesh. This is a profound mystery at the heart of our faith, and it is the cause of our joy at Christmas.

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'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied 'today you will be with me in paradise.'



BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Today as a Church, we conclude our liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel we proclaim shows the great mystery of our faith: In the moment of his crucifixion, Jesus is shown to be King and Saviour of all.

Luke's Gospel has been loaded with surprises: the poor are rich, sinners find salvation, the Kingdom of God is found in our midst. Here we see the greatest surprise of all. We are confronted with the crucified Jesus, whom faith tells us is King and Saviour of all. The irony is that the inscription placed on the cross, perhaps in mockery, contains the profoundest of truth. As the leaders jeer, the thief crucified by his side recognises Jesus as Messiah and King, and finds salvation.

Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, but those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we, too, struggle at times to recognise Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment. With eyes of faith, we, too, recognise that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Saviour of all. Loyola Press website

THY KINGDOM COME

Some king! Poor, dishonoured, naked, mocked, Jesus dies while villains howl with glee. What kind of king is this, defenceless and alone? The criminal next to him lays down the challenge. If you ARE a king, save yourself! Save us! And Jesus, authorised to save the whole world, reaches out to rescue one last soul, the humble fellow who admits his sin.

That's the kind of king Jesus is: one

who champions the sinner who genuinely turns to him. Jesus never shows much interest in building a kingdom of righteousness, or shepherding strong and pious souls into his reign. Jesus spends his final hour on the lookout for small sad people who make mistakes and know who they are – and who he is.

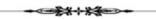
This is how Christ chooses to spend his time to the end of time, as we understand it: building a kingdom of contrite hearts. If we don't allow ourselves to be built into that kingdom, we'll certainly be joined into another.

What goes into the assemblage of a contrite heart?

Honour Christ the King by honouring the least of his people, the poor and the powerless. Lift up the lowly with your voice, your friendship, your concern.

For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible, rank after rank after rank of angels – everything got started in him and finds its purpose in him.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(21 - 27 November)

- *Monday, 21:* The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary (Rev 14:1-5; Lk 21:1-4)
- *Tuesday, 22:* St Cecilia (Rev 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11)
- Wednesday, 23: Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rev 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19)
- *Thursday, 24:* Sts Andrew Düng-Lac and companions (Rev 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9; Lk 21:20-28)
- *Friday, 25:* Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rev 20:1-4, 11 21:2; Lk 21:29-33)
- *Saturday, 26:* Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rev 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36)

ADVENT

New liturgical year begins: Sunday cycle A, weekday cycle 1

• *Sunday 27:* FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT (Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44)

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