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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 Acts 5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about

Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117:2-4, 22-27 *Give thanks to the Lord for he is* good, his love is everlasting.

SECOND READING

Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19 My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.



When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One, I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because *you have seen me; happy those who* have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side

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Bulletin Board

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Bill Roestenburg, Peter Weatherstone, Maureen Slagter, Melanie Howson, Joelle Davidson, Mary Connell

April anniversaries: Josephine Bannan, Ray Bannan Elizabeth Black, Wilma Buick, Karen Cairney, Gwen Chalmers, Ambrose Clark, Robert Clark, Tony (Noxy) Clark, Francis Clarke, Catherine Commerford, Sarah Cunningham, Jimmy Dow, Tate Furniss, Monika Gibbs, Lynne McArdle, Mary O'Brien, Norah Ridge, Verna Trethewey, Beryl Williams, Albert Willson, Keith 'Hoppy' Willson.

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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Covid Marshal 24/4 A Clark

PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops up)

COVID RESTRICTIONS

For the latest Archdiocesan restrictions please see page 4 of this bulletin. Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.

MARIAN PROCESSION

Sunday, 22 May, 2.00pm Each year the Archdiocese hosts the annual Marian Procession in honour of Our Lady. This event has been running for almost 75 years and is one of the longest standing consecutive events in the Australian Catholic Church.

This year, in support of our Ukrainian brothers and sisters, the image that will lead our procession is *Vyshhorodska - Mother of God* carried by the Ukrainian Community in Adelaide. Assembly of Parishes will begin at 1.30pm and the procession will follow at 2.00pm. After a very successful change of location in 2021, the Procession will again be held at the Adelaide Showgrounds.

Those who wish to can book in online via this link <u>www.trybooking.com/BPJAN</u>. The Procession will take place in the Main Arena. However, if the weather is inclement, the procession will be moved to the Wayville Pavilion.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA UKRAINE APPEAL

Our long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground providing shelter, food, clean water, medicine and psychological support. Donate now to help the people of Ukraine. Donate today at <u>www.caritas.org.au/ ukraine</u> or call 1800 024 413 toll free. Keep up to date on how Caritas agencies are responding to this crisis - <u>www.caritas.org.au/ukraine-news</u>

AN EXPLORATION OF THREE ASPECTS OF THE DIVINE-HUMAN ENCOUNTER

Saturday May 14 : 10am - 4pm

St Ignatius Catholic Church Hall Queen Street, Norwood

with Fr Michael Trainor and Josie Cirocco

For more information please go to: <u>tinyurl.com/3k4mze95</u>

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY '22 WINTER APPEAL 07/08 May

St Vincent de Paul provides a vital service for individuals and families facing financial hardship and homelessness. To support this appeal, please place a donation in the supplied envelopes and place it in the collection bowl on the weekend of 07/08 May.

Other donation methods are:

- Return your envelope with enclosed donation by post;
- Donate online at <u>www.vinnies.org.au</u> (Willunga Conference name can be entered on payment page online);
- Donate by calling 13 18 12.

ANZAC DAY Monday, 25 April

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

(Excerpt from "For the Fallen" by Laurence Binyon

ONE LINERS

- The CEO of IKEA was elected Prime Minister in Sweden. He should have his cabinet together by the end of the weekend.
- Relationships are a lot like algebra. Have you ever looked at your X and wondered Y?
- A clean desk is a sign of a cluttered desk drawer.
- I'm great at multi-tasking. I can waste time, be unproductive, and procrastinate all at once.



Morning after at the Zoo





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

THEN GOD CREATED LIGHT AGAIN

It doesn't matter whether you picture the origin of time the way science does, as beginning with the *Big Bang*, or whether you take the biblical account of the origins of the world literally. Either way there was a time before there was light. The universe was dark before God created light. However, eventually the world grew dark again. When?

We are told in the Gospels that as Jesus was dying on the cross, *between the sixth and ninth hour*, it grew dark and Jesus cried out "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me!" What really happened here?

Are the Gospels saying that it actually grew dark in the early afternoon, an eclipse of the sun, or are they referring to another kind of darkness, of a spiritual kind? Was there an eclipse of the sun as Jesus was dying? Perhaps. We don't know, but that is of secondary importance anyway. What the Gospels are referring to is a kind of darkness that envelops us whenever what's precious to us is humiliated, exposed as powerless, ridiculed, terminally defeated, and crucified by our world. There's a darkness that besets us whenever the forces of love seem overpowered by the forces of hatred. The light extinguished then is the light of hope, but there is deeper darkness and this is the kind of darkness that the Gospels say formed a cloud over the world as Jesus hung dying.

What's being insinuated here is that at Jesus' crucifixion, creation went back to its original chaos, as it was before there was light. But what's also being insinuated is that God created light a second time, this time by raising Jesus from the dead, and that this new light is the most staggering light of all because. Moreover, unlike the original light, which was only physical, this light is a light both for the eyes and for the soul.

For the eyes, the light of the resurrection is also a radically new physical phenomenon. At the resurrection of Jesus, the atoms of the planet were shaken up from their normal physical workings. A dead body rose from the grave to a life from which it would never again die. That had never happened before. Moreover, the resurrection of Jesus was also a radically new light for the soul, the light of hope. What is this latter light?

There's a famous song written by Robbie Robertson made popular in the early 1970s by Joan Baez, The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down. Narrated in the first person by a man called Virgil Caine, the song is a sad lament about the distress experienced by a poor white Southern family during the American Civil War. All that could go wrong for them, seemingly had gone wrong, including the death of their young son, killed in the war. Their situation is dark, lacking any hope. At a point in the song, the narrator offers this lament about his brother's death:

He was just eighteen, proud and brave

But a Yankee laid him in his grave I swear by the blood below my feet You can't raise the Cain back up when it's in defeat

Can life be raised back up when it's in defeat? Can a dead body come out of its grave? Can a violated body again become whole? Can lost innocence ever be restored? Can a broken heart ever be mended? Can a crushed hope ever again lift up a soul? Doesn't darkness extinguish all light? What hope was there for Jesus' followers as they witnessed his humiliation and death on Good Friday? When goodness itself gets crucified, what's the basis for any hope?

In two words, the resurrection. When darkness enveloped the earth a second time, God made light a second time, and that light, unlike the physical light created at the dawn of time, can never be extinguished. That's the difference between the resuscitation of Lazarus and the resurrection of Jesus, between physical light and the light of the resurrection. Lazarus was restored to his self-same body from which he had to die again. Jesus was given a radically new body which would never die again.

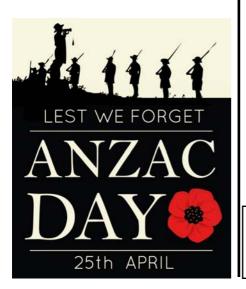
The renowned biblical scholar Raymond E Brown tells us that the darkness that beset the world as Jesus hung dying, would last until we believe in the resurrection. Until we believe that God has a livegiving response for all death and until we believe God will roll back the stone from any grave, no matter how deeply goodness is buried under hatred and violence, the darkness of Good Friday will continue to darken our planet.

Mohandas K. Gandhi once observed that we can see the truth of God always creating new light, simply by looking at history: "When I despair, I remember that all through history, the way of truth and love has always won. There have been murderers and tyrants, and for a time they can seem invincible. But in the end they always fall. Think of it, always."

You can read, or download, Ron Rolheiser's weekly columns from his website at: www.ronrolheiser.com COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS (Current from 20/04/22)



- There are now 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 by the Archdiocese.
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship.
- Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- Offertory procession will be omitted. Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- The Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccinations for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).



(Continued from page 1) The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said

to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side. I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.



STORY STARTER

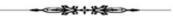
Home field advantage. They talk about the importance of fans in football, soccer, baseball, basketball, hockey, netball, and other sports. In fact, in football, the so-called, "13th" player is the noise and the roar of the fans in the stands. Fans and team become one.

After Jesus' Resurrection, the disciples were still on their opponent's

home field. That's why they hid themselves in the upper room, afraid that what happened to Jesus might also happen to them. But when Jesus appears to them, the game is changed forever. Peter, who denied Jesus not too many days before, now walks through Jerusalem preaching and healing and bringing converts to the "Way".

Because we have not seen the physical, resurrected Jesus, we might be tempted to make Jesus' Resurrection more of a theological concept rather than the core of our lived-out-faith. Thomas, who missed Jesus' first visit with the disciples, upon seeing him exclaims that Jesus is for him both Lord and God.

As the numbers of believers continued to grow from within the circle of disciples and from those who heard the message preached to them, the pendulum would swing. Using the growing numbers and the events of history like the fall of Jerusalem, the church would soon grow to be a living presence of Jesus in our world. And it has remained that presence even until today. *GPBS eNews*



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(25 April - 01 May)

- *Monday, 25:* ANZAC DAY (Wis 3:1-9; 1 Cor 1:18-25; Jn 12:23-28)
- *Tuesday, 26:* St Mark (St Mark; Mk 16:15-20)
- *Wednesday, 27:* Wednesday, second week of Easter (Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21)
- *Thursday, 28:* St Peter Chanel (Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36)
- *Friday, 29:* St Catherine of Siena (Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15)
- *Saturday, 30:* Saturday, second week of Easter (Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21)
- *Sunday 01:* THIRD SUNDAY of EASTER (Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Apoc 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19)

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