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# KANGAROO ISLAND CATHOLIC PARISH

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#### **CHILD PROTECTION**

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

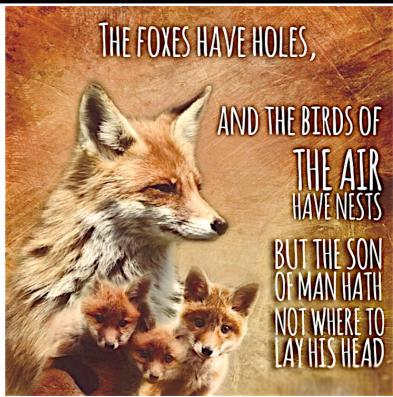
Kingscote at 9.30am

### **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 1 Kings 19:16,19-21

The Lord said to Elijah, 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11 You are my inheritance, O Lord.

#### **SECOND READING**

Galatians 5:1, 13-18

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore,

and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery. My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

1 Sam 3:9, Jn 6:68 Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia! (Continued page 4)

#### PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

**Recently deceased:** Mary Connell

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, Maria Loechel, Ann McAnnally, James McAnnally, Lillian Murphy, Laurence O'Daly, Dean Page, Ruth Perkins, Molly Polly, Edna Rayson, Mary - Douglas Rosentreter, Brenton Semler, Henry Tabor, Michael Wilcox, Alice Willson, Brian 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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#### PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops u 26/06 Fr Anthoni Adimai 03/07 Fr Jack Otto

#### **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.

#### **GUILD MEETING**

The next Guild Meeting will be held in the Parish House tomorrow (Monday) at 9.30am.

#### **WALKING IN THE SPIRIT**

Pilgrimage for the Plenary Council
People across the country are invited
to participate in a national prayer
pilgrimage as the Catholic Church in
Australia prepares for the Second
Assembly of the Fifth Plenary
Council of Australia in Sydney from
July 3-9.

We pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and grace for the members who will gather and also for ourselves and the Church, that we may have the courage to follow where God is leading us. For more information visit <a href="https://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit">www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit</a>

#### **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.

#### 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.



Guest Speaker and Celebrant Fr Selva Raj

### **BE A WITNESS**

We cannot stop proclaiming what we have seen and heard (Acts 4:20)

Sunday 2 July, 10.30am - 3.30pm

St Peter Claver Church, 8 Stuart Road, Dulwich

Coffee and tea provided. BYO lunch.

Includes Teaching, Reflection, Mass and Adoration

Your donation appreciated

# ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY

On Sunday July 3, parishes around the country will celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday.

#### **AFRICA FOOD CRISIS APPEAL**

After three years of poor rainfall, some of the worst locust plagues seen

in decades, and ongoing conflict, displacement and the impacts of COVID-19, millions of people are facing hunger and even starvation across the Horn of Africa.

According to the recently released Global Report on Food Crises, nearly 193 million people are in need of urgent assistance, an increase of nearly 40 million since 2020. Caritas Australia has launched the Africa Food Crisis Appeal to provide urgently needed humanitarian aid to countries in the Horn of Africa, including Ethiopia, Somalia and Eritrea.

Through partners on the ground, donations to Caritas Australia's Africa Food Crisis appeal will go towards food distributions, support for children impacted by malnutrition, clean drinking water, cash transfers to households at risk of poverty, hygiene supplies as well as seeds and household items for families that have been displaced by conflict. Donations can be made at: <a href="https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/africa-food-crisis

#### **SPECIAL THANKS**

COVID Marshals are no longer required, except for events covered by a Covid Management Plan (ie over 1000 people).

Sincere thanks to those dedicated parishioners who accepted the role of Covid Marshal over the last couple of years. Your willingness to do the initial online training and then generously navigate us through COVID compliance was very much appreciated.



Please continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.

# That's the last time I say surprise me"to my barber!





## 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

# SUICIDE AND OUR MISUNDERSTANDINGS

Margaret Atwood once wrote that sometimes a thing needs to be said, and said, said again, until it doesn't need to be said anymore. That's why I write a column annually on suicide, mostly saying the same things over and over again. The hope is that, like a note put into a bottle and floated out to sea, my little message might find someone needing consolation after losing a loved one to suicide.

What's needs to be said, and said again, about suicide? *Four* things.

*First*, that it's a disease and perhaps the most misunderstood of all diseases. We tend to think that if a death is self-inflicted, it is voluntary in a way that death through physical illness or accident is not. For most suicides, this isn't true. A person who dies by suicide dies, as does the victim of a terminal illness or fatal accident, not by his or her own choice. When people die from heart attacks, strokes, cancer, AIDS, and accidents, they die against their will. The same is true for suicide, except that in the case of suicide the breakdown is emotional rather than physical – an emotional stroke, an emotional cancer, a breakdown of the emotional immune system, an emotional fatality.

This is not an analogy. There are different kinds of heart attacks, strokes, cancers, breakdowns of the immune system, and fatal accidents. However, they all have the same effect; they all take someone out of this life against his or her own will. No one who dies through suicide actually wants to die. He or she only wants to end a pain that can no longer be endured, akin to someone jumping to his death out of a burning building because his clothes are on fire.

Second, we should not worry unduly

about the eternal salvation of a suicide victim, believing (as we used to) that suicide is the ultimate act of despair and something God will not forgive. God is infinitely more understanding than we are and God's hands are infinitely safer and gentler than our own. Imagine a loving mother having just given birth, welcoming her child onto her breast for the first time. That, I believe, is the best image we have to picture how a suicide victim (most often an overly sensitive soul) is received into the next life. God is infinitely understanding, loving, and gentle. We need not worry about the fate of anyone, no matter the cause of death. who exits this world honest. oversensitive, gentle, over-wrought, and emotionally crushed. God has a special love for the broken and the crushed.

Knowing all of this however, doesn't necessarily take away our pain (and anger) at losing someone to suicide; but faith and understanding aren't meant to take our pain away but rather to give us hope, vision, and support as we walk within our pain.

*Third*, we should not torture ourselves with second-guessing when we lose a loved one to suicide: "What might I have done? Where did I let this person down? If only I had been there? What if ...?" It can be natural to be haunted with the thought, "if only I'd been there at the right time." Rarely would this have made a difference. Indeed, most of the time, we weren't there for the exact reason that the person who fell victim to this disease did not want us to be there. He or she picked the moment, the spot, and the means precisely so that we wouldn't be there. Perhaps it's more accurate to say that suicide is a disease that picks its victim precisely in such a way so as to exclude others and their attentiveness. This is not an excuse for insensitivity, especially towards those suffering from dangerous

depression, but it should be a healthy check against false guilt and fruitless second-guessing.

We're human beings, not God. People die of illness and accidents all the time and sometimes all the love and attentiveness in the world cannot prevent a loved one from dying. Love, for all its power, is sometimes powerless before a terminal illness

Fourth, when we lose a loved one to suicide, one of our tasks is to work at redeeming that person's memory, namely, to put that person's life into a perspective wherein his or her memory is not forever tainted because it is viewed through the prism of suicide.

A proper human and faith response to suicide should not be horror, fear for the victim's eternal salvation. guilty second-guessing about how we failed this person, and a hushed, guarded tone forever afterwards when we speak of him or her. Suicide is indeed a horrible way to die, but we must understand it (at least in most cases) as a sickness, a disease, an illness, a tragic breakdown within the emotional immune system. Most of all, we must trust God, God's goodness, God's understanding, God's power to descend into hell, and God's power to make all things right, even death by suicide.

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



Just how fast was this little kid going?

# COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 22/06/22)



A number of issues relating to COVID-19 have been clarified in the Archbishop's correspondence of June 17. 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.

# Please keep in mind the importance of health, social distancing and good hygiene practices:

- If you have tested positive for COVID-19, please follow the SA Health instructions in regard to isolating and other government health protocols. Stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Hand sanitizer 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.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are encouraged not to attend.
- The Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccinations for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).

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### **GOSPEL**

### Luke 9:51-62

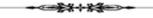
As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?'

But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me', replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say goodbye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'



### **EXPLORING THE WORD**

This gospel text marks a turning point in Luke's story of Jesus. He has made a momentous decision. When he is rejected by the very first village he approaches, the disciples want to punish them. But Jesus refuses violence and coercion as a means of conversion. He wants willing disciples!

The following three brief exchanges outline what is needed for disciple-ship: it won't necessarily be comfortable; there is a sense of urgency, and it requires single-mindedness and sometimes difficult choices. Comfort or family relationships cannot take priority over the kingdom of God, and once one becomes a follower of Christ, there can be no turning back.

This gospel is not only about Jesus; it is about all those who seek to follow the road God has laid out for them.

#### WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?

Sometimes Jesus can seem a little uncaring in the clipped tone of gospel stories. A would-be-disciple asks to do the duty of a son to his father: to bury him. While it's not apparent in this translation, the father may not need burying right away. Chances are he's ill or old, however, the son is simply asking permission to delay his discipleship to a time when his father no longer needs him. It seems a reasonable request.

But Jesus knows how we use parents, children, spouses, work, or health to excuse ourselves from discipleship. All excuses meet the same response: God's kingdom won't wait. Present circumstances can never be obstacles to following Jesus. The life engaging us so deeply is the very place where our mission logically begins. We keep thinking vocations are for people who can clear away enough personal agenda to pursue one. Nice try. Our personal agenda is where vocation is happening.

Consider local ways to announce the kingdom to the poor, afflicted, oppressed. *GPBS eNews* 



### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(27 June - 07 July)

- *Monday, 27:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Amos 2:6-10, 13-16; Mt 8:18-22)
- *Tuesday, 28:* St Irenaeus (Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27)
- *Wednesday, 29:* Sts Peter and Paul, (Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19)
- *Thursday, 30:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Amos 7:10-; Mt 9:1-8)
- *Friday, 01:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Amos 8:4-6, 9-12; Mt 9:9-13)
- *Saturday, 02:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 13 (Amos 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17)
- *Sunday 03:* FOURTEENTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Is 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20)

#### **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