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WEEKEND MASSES

Kingscote at 9.30am

CONFESSION

Kingscote at 9.00am (prior to Mass)

INTEGRITY & SAFEGUARDING

We are a safeguarding Organisation.

We believe that all God's children, young people and adults at risk have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected, and valued. A safe environment for all.

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Resources and Fact Sheets
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FIRE SAFETY

In case of a fire, please exit the front or rear door and gather on the lawn area near the Church. At the time, the Commentator will inform you of which door to exit safely.



FIRST READING

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more:

'It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 95:1, 3-5, 7-10

Give the Lord glory and honour.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. (R)
2. The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods; the gods of the heathens are naught. It was the Lord who made the heavens. (R)
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power; give the Lord the glory of his name. Bring an offering and enter his courts. (R)

4. Worship the Lord in his temple.

O earth, tremble before him.

Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the peoples in fairness. (R)

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out
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Bulletin Board

KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Healing list: Brianna Chudlee, Annette Roestenburg, Michelle Glynn, Rebecca Semler, MaryAnne Higgs, Peter Barker

October anniversaries: Murray Brook, Leo Clark, William Commerford, Trish Dennes, Jean Clark, Clifford Dow, Barry Dunn, Leo Dunn, Katarina Faist, James Gibbs, Mary Alice Gibbs, Rosie Grace, Harry Hughes, Thomas Hughes, Kath Hutton, Licci Longzaer, Philis Lorimer, John Lowry, Winifred Lydon, Mary Morrissey, Noel Perkins, Harry Rich, Alf Rombout, Betty Walsh, Bernard Williams, Ethel Willson, Joan Wilson, Leonica Cruz Esplana .

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

PRIEST ROSTER

HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION



We will be celebrating Holy Communion and Confirmation on 29 November this year. The Archbishop and Fr Lancy will concelebrate this special occasion.

Please keep Glenna and Collin and their families in your prayers.

MASS ROSTERS

Date	Readers/Prayers	Special Ministers	Cleaners
18 Oct	A Clark, W Bennett	L Grant, K Hammat	H Mumford
25 Oct	M Slagter, L Grant	P Bennett, A Bevan	C Brinkley
1 Nov	P Bennett, K Hammat	S Semler, M Slagter	C Brinkley
8 Nov	S Heath, A Clark	M Slagter, L Grant	C Brinkley
15 Nov	S Semler, L Grant	H Mumford, K Hammat	C Brinkley
22 Nov	K Hammat, M Glynn	W Bennett, S Semler	C Brinkley
29 Nov	S Semler, L Grant	P Bennett, W Bennett	A Clark
6 Dec	P Clark, W Bennett	A Bevan, H Mumford	A Clark
13 Dec	K Hammat, S Semler	P Bennett, L Grant	A Clark
20 Dec	S Heath, P Bennett	S Semler, K Hammat	A Clark
25 Dec	... Please put your name on the sheets in the Church ...		
27 Dec	M Slagter, W Bennett	K Hammat, S Semler	A Clark



This year marks the 100th anniversary of World Mission Sunday, with the theme "One in Christ, United in Mission." The Catholic Mission Appeal held in October will support communities in Malawi, helping with rebuilding, education, farming and healthcare. We invite you to support this important appeal - every gift, large or small, can make a difference. Thank you for your generosity.

Catholic Mission also supports indigenous people here in Australia eg, the work of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC). NATSICC is the peak advisory body to the Australian Catholic Bishops on issues relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 – INFORMATION NIGHT

Join the Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults (COYYA) for First Steps to Seoul, an informal evening to learn more about World Youth Day, hear about the Adelaide Diocesan pilgrimage, and connect with others interested in the journey. Whether you're considering attending or simply want to find out more, all are welcome.

Wakefield Hotel (76 Wakefield St, Adelaide South Australia 5000)

Tuesday 20 October 2026

7:30pm Light catering provided.
Full meals available for individual purchase.

Registrations are essential via:
<https://forms.gle/ifTr1kyoTouenb1i9>

POPE BEGINS POST-SURGERY THERAPY 'IN GOOD SPIRITS'

In the first medical update provided by the Vatican since yesterday's revelation of the Pope's lung cancer diagnosis, his doctors said overnight that the Pope's "recovery is proceeding as expected" and he has begun walking around his hospital room.

"This morning, the Holy Father underwent the blood tests and chest X-ray scheduled following the surgery. The results confirm a normal postoperative recovery: the values are within the normal range for the type of surgery performed," the joint statement by Dr Stefano Margaritora, the Pope's surgeon, and Dr Luigi Carbone, the Pope's personal doctor, said.

Pope Leo was admitted to Gemelli Hospital on Tuesday for the lung surgery, following his disclosure on Sunday that recent medical examinations had revealed a "well-contained" lung nodule that had been "detected at a very early stage".

In response to a question of how long the wait might be to receive any results as to whether cancer remains beyond what was removed during the Pope's surgery, Mr Bruni said, "You have to ask a doctor for the timing of those. It usually takes five, 10, 15 days depending on the situation." Pope Leo is expected to remain in hospital for at least one week. Mr Bruni said that there were no changes to announce at this time to the Pope's expected length of stay in the hospital or to the Pope's scheduled trip to Latin America on November 6-17. *Excerpt from CathNews*





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

YOU MUST HAVE A WONDERFUL MUM

There is an instance in the Gospels where, while Jesus is speaking, a woman from the crowd calls out to him: "Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breasts that nursed you!" (Luke 11,27).

In effect, she is saying: "*You must have a wonderful mother! Look how you turned out!*" Jesus responds by saying: "Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it."

It's easy to misunderstand his answer because on the surface it sounds like he is downplaying the compliment to his mother. But his response is really: "*Yes, I have wonderful mother, but it's not because she gave me biological birth that makes her special; it's her faith that makes her special and particularly wonderful as a mother.*" In essence, he's saying: "Yes, my mother, like all mothers, is wonderful in her biology, but my mother is particularly wonderful in her faith." When Jesus says, *blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it*, he has his mother specially in mind.

The renowned scripture scholar Raymond E. Brown points out that the apostolic community gave Mary such a special place, not particularly because she was Jesus' biological mother, but because of her special faith.

Among the various lessons contained in that is this: For Jesus, *faith trumps biology*. For him, real family is defined by faith, not biology or anything else. Who are my actual brothers and sisters? For Jesus, it's those who hear the word of God and keep it.

I write this next part only with this caveat: Biological family is a foundational anthropological structure, coming from God and nature, and it needs to be nurtured and defended, especially today when it is under siege from many sides. A healthy society needs healthy

families; a healthy Church needs healthy families; a healthy country needs healthy families: a healthy world needs healthy families; healthy liberals need healthy families; healthy conservatives need healthy families; and healthy individuals tend to come from healthy families. Moreover, many of our deepest joys are experienced within a biological family. The biological family needs to be defended. The same holds true for all our other families.

But, that being respected, we must also have the courage to say that, for Jesus, *faith trumps biology, denomination, religion, ethnicity, nationality, ideology, and gender*. Our deepest, real, forever family has faith as its root.

- *Who are our brothers and sisters?* Our biological family makes for real family, but our deepest, forever family is made up of all others who have faith in God, which does include our biological family if they share faith with us.
- *Who are our fellow church members?* Our fellow church members are all fellow Christians, irrespective of denomination, who have a sincere faith in Jesus Christ. In faith we are all one family.
- *Who are our fellow pilgrims as we journey through this world?* Our deepest, forever fellow pilgrims are all women and men, irrespective of their religion or honest agnosticism, who are sincerely searching for truth, goodness, beauty, and justice.
- *Who is our real ethnic family?* It's everyone on this planet, irrespective of skin colour, mother tongue, or racial history, who is sincerely searching for a community within which differences will make for harmony and unity.
- *Who are our fellow citizens?* Our fellow citizens, fellow patriots, are not necessarily those with whom we share a country and a common history; more deeply, it's people from every country in the world

who, with us, share one land given equally to us all by God. For Jesus, there can be no Christian nationalism.

- *Who constitutes my ideological, political family?* It's not those who share a liberal or conservative temperament and ideology with me. My deepest, forever ideological family is made up of those for whom truth and justice lay waste to all ideologies, both liberal and conservative.
- *Who is my family in terms of gender? Male? Female? LGBTQ?* My real family is inside the Body of Christ, within which "there is no male or female." (Galatians 3,28)

When Jesus asks who are my brothers and sisters and then identifies them with those who are listening to him, (Matthew 12, 48-50) he is teaching that our true, forever family is not rooted in biology, denomination, religion, ethnicity, nationality, ideological temperament, or gender, but in a shared faith which transcends all of these.

So, like the woman who wanted to compliment Jesus' mother, go out to that good friend of yours who is a pious Muslim, and to that honest colleague of yours who voted the opposite of how you did, and to that struggling immigrant you've ignored whom you see living in a fear you have never shared, and go out to that gracious, bubbly New Age neighbour of yours, who has just brought a casserole to your door and who once gave you a rainbow keychain, and say: *You must have a wonderful mum! Look how you turned out!*

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

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 (Support for Priests):
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Thank you for your ongoing support of our Priests and Parish Facilities.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The Herodians are mentioned only three times in the New Testament as a group within Jewish society (Mk 3:6; Mk 12:13; Mt 22:16). In all three texts they are aligned with the Pharisees in trying to entrap Jesus. They may have been supporters of the rule and policies of Herod Antipas, son of Herod the Great, ruler of Galilee during Jesus' lifetime.
- The first 'Caesar' was Gaius Julius Caesar, a Roman general, who emerged from the civil wars as the sole ruler of the Empire in 45 BC. After his murder the following year, his grand-nephew Octavian (Augustus) took over as ruler and adopted the name Caesar. From then onwards all rulers of the Empire were known as 'Caesar'. The Caesar during Jesus' public ministry was Tiberias.

HOW TO WRITE "HELLO" IN MANDARIN



I first attempted to write it in Danish but they were just too delicious!

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between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you.

Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

TAX TIME

What is a tax? In the best of circumstances, it's a private payment for the public good. It's how individuals contribute to the interests of the community of which they're a part. In the time of the Roman empire, taxation among the occupied provinces was a troubling matter. It could be argued that what went into the pocket of Rome went out of the province for good.

Those who questioned Jesus about taxes, of course, weren't asking for a moral decision. They wanted him to betray himself by being politically incorrect in front of the people. And Jesus, of course, was above politics, framing his answer in larger terms than the Pharisees cared to consider. Those who were obliged to Caesar should certainly make payment in the coin of the realm. But those who are obliged to God - and who isn't - owe a debt to be paid in the province of the human spirit. It is this larger obligation that should capture our concern.

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THE ONLY LEGACY THAT MATTERS

Not long ago I attended a funeral for a man who had served as a journalist for the diocesan paper for over 25 years. Kevin was all the one would hope and trust a journalist might be: inquisitive, persevering, intelligent and articulate.

Usually dishevelled, wearing a corduroy jacket with a camera slung over his shoulder, Kevin never seemed to care about clothes and appearance, money or status.

Pursuing a good story and a commitment to justice – those were Kevin's passions. And above all else, Kevin was honest. The people who gathered for Kevin's funeral that morning heard these words at the start from the homilist: "Kevin was a good man, an honest man who spoke the truth". It was a starkly simple statement followed by these words: "And what is more important than to be a good and honest person?"

It was one of those moments when I found myself thinking: Really, what could matter more at my death than for someone to be able to say I was a good and truthful person? Awards and accolades, accomplishments and financial success are fleeting and pale in comparison to goodness and honesty. The Pharisees didn't seem to understand this truth in their arguments with Jesus, the good and honest teacher. Kevin's funeral reminded me how important it is to be a person who is good and honest.

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(19 - 25 October)

- **Monday, 19:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 29 (Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21)
- **Tuesday, 20:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 29 (Eph 2:12-22; Lk 12:35-38)
- **Wednesday, 21:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 29 (Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48)
- **Thursday, 22:** Weekday, Ordinary Time 29 (Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53)
- **Friday, 23:** Weekday, Ord Time 29 (Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59)
- **Saturday, 24:** Weekday, Ord Time 29 (Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9)
- **Sunday 25:** 30th Sunday Ordinary Time (Ex 22:20-26; 1 Thess 1:5-10; Mt 22:34-40)

PASTORAL CARE

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