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Mrs Annette Roestenburg (8553 8281; rostie2@bigpond.com) (All items for the newsletter must be received no later than Wednesday evening.)

MASS CENTRES

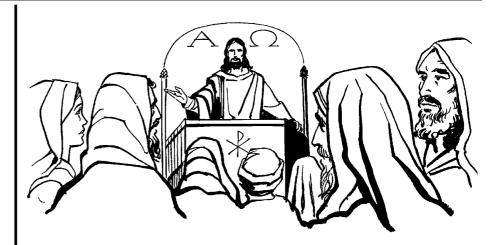
- KINGSCOTE: Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Cnr Giles/Todd Sts Sunday - 9.30am
- PARNDANA: Uniting Church, Cook Street
 2nd and 4th Sunday - 4.00pm
- PENNESHAW: St Columba's Anglican Church, Cnr North Terrace and Fourth Street 1st Sunday - 2.00pm

SPONSORSHIP

KANGAROO ISLAND TRANSFERS (0427 887 575) generously donate transport for our visiting Priests.

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159



FIRST READING

Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:19-23

In the evening of 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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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, Ann McAnnally, James
McAnnally, Lillian Murphy, Laurence
O'Daly, Dean Page, Ruth Perkins, Molly
Polly, Edna Rayson, Mary - Douglas
Rosentreter, Henry Tabor, Michael Wilcox,
Alice Willson, Brian Willson and all the
faithful departed

2018 Synod of Bishops in Rome

The subject of the Synod will be "Youth, the Faith and Vocational Discernment" The Holy Father has asked that the voices of young people be evident in the Synod discussions.

To accomplish this, the Australian Catholic Bishops conference has created an online survey for young people between the ages of 16-29. This survey is for all young people, whether practicing or non-practicing Catholics, and whether deeply committed or those on the margins. It is important that they get a wide range of responses from as many young people as possible.

This survey is only available online and the link is

hhps://www.catholic.org.au/youthsurvey

Please pass this information on to any young people that you know and for your further information the full letter is on the notice board at the back of the Church.

PARISH NOTICES -04/06/17

- 1. Thank you to Fr Peter for saying Mass for us today.
- 2. Next week there will be Mass with Mons Dempsey.
- 3. **Sausage Sizzle** after Mass on 18th

 June. Please put this date in your Diary.

RENEWING PARISHES

3. The Word of God is proclaimed in good preaching.

We need to become communities that listen deeply to the Word of God, and become people of prayer. Good preaching emerges from this. All those involved with the ministry of the Word, mediate the grace of God by the way they proclaim the Word.

- ♦ How does this ring true for you and for our parish community?
- ♦ What more can we do to enhance good proclamation?

Do you have any thoughts or comments regarding this first of eight characteristics of Parish renewal? You may like to use the suggestion box at the back of the church to convey these.

Please pray for Eli Bellamarie, Jimmy Browne, Cath Cantlon, Maureen Dunn, Kathleen Feareer, Charles and Sue Gorman, Tony Hodgens, Brian Johns, Lisa Karan, Ashtenna Langridge, Elijah Laundy, Howie Laundy, Philip McDonald, Joelle Henderson, John Lavers, Peter Murray, Jill Perkins, Fr Frank Perry, Shari Pahl, Olivia Phelan, Jack Pitcher, Kingsley Pledge, Carolyn Potter, Margaret Rich, Bill Roestenburg, Eddie Schneemild, Bertnie Schulz, John Slagter, Darren Smith, John Smith Peter Smith, Linda Tippett, Peter Weatherstone, Doug Wilzh and Robert Wilkinson.

May they know the healing love of Christ through our actions and His healing presence.



GOING ON, AHEAD

"I go on ahead to prepare a place for you!" Jesus speaks those words to his disciples on the eve of his death as he sits at table with them and senses their sadness as they grapple with his dying, his going away. His words are meant to console them and give them the assurance that they aren't being abandoned. It's just that he is going on ahead to prepare a place for them to come and join him later.

That story speaks to me very personally because of how one of my sisters died. She was young, the mother of a large family, and seemingly too young to leave her young children behind. She was dying of a cancer that, while relentlessly doing its deadly work, mercifully left her relatively painfree and clear in mind and heart to the very end. The cancer eventually took her to a point where she could no longer eat, but could still be nourished for a time by intravenous transfusions. But these too eventually no longer worked and, once unhooked from the intravenous needles, she was told that she had roughly a week still to live. She chose to spend those last days in a hospital rather than at home, with her family having easy, 24-hour, access to her hospice bed.

The days leading up to her death were a sacred time. I took her communion several days before she died and, with her head still very clear, she told me what I should say at her funeral liturgy. She had chosen that exact text where Jesus, on the night before he dies, tells his heavy-hearted disciples that he is going ahead, to prepare a place for them. She shared how, before every one of her children was born, before she went to the hospital to give birth, she had carefully prepared everything at home for the new

Ron Rolheiser column

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arrival, the crib, the diapers, the clothing, the room. She brought each of her children home to a place she had carefully prepared. And now she was going on ahead of them again, to prepare another place for them.

I preached those words at her funeral and despite our grief and despite the fact that in moments like these there is nothing really that can be said that takes away the pain, her raw testimony of faith left us with an image that placed us all, not least her husband and children, inside a bigger story, a faithnarrative, that highlighted two things.

First, the image of her going on ahead of her children awakened our grieving faith to the truth that a mother can go on ahead to prepare a place for her children in much deeper ways than simply bringing a new-born home from a hospital. Second, her "going ahead" was also showing her children, and the rest of us, how to die, how to do that act that we all someday must do. After you watch a good person die, you become less afraid to die yourself because you see how it can be done in an ordinary way, by an ordinary person, in a way that you can also do. In her dying, she prepared a place for us.

But this isn't a lesson only about dying. This image, *I go on ahead to prepare a place for you*, is a metaphor which defines the essential task of our adult, mature years. Our task of as "elders", whether that be as a mother or father, an older brother or older sister, an uncle or an aunt, a teacher, a clergyman, a nurse, a worker, a colleague, or a friend, is to live in such a way so as to create a place where the young can

follow. Our task as adults is to show the young how to live at a place where they've never been as yet.

And it is both a noble and humble task. Most of us cannot live up to the lofty ideals we see lived out in the lives of the great saints, though their lives have created an ideal place for us. However, while not everyone can live as Mother Teresa did, perhaps they can live like you do and your life can be their exemplar for meaning, wholeness, anonymous sanctity, and dying without unnecessary fear.

I've been graced to be at the deathbed of a goodly number of ordinary people who died very ordinary looking deaths, with no choirs of angels silently chanting in the background, no alleluias on their lips, with pain and thirst dominating their concerns, with their hands being tightly grasped by loved ones, and their hearts still very much focused on the pain of leaving this world. And that's not a bad way to die. In how they managed their deaths they prepared a place for me. Looking at how they died, I am far less fearful and can more readily say: I can do this!

What a grace to have someone go on ahead to prepare a place for you!

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

REGULAR MASS TIMES IN OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES

ALDINGA

Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple cnr Quinliven and How Roads Saturday 5.30pm Tuesday 9.15am

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St Sunday 9.00am Wednesday 9.30am

KINGSCOTE

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, cnr Todd and Giles Streets Sunday 9.30am

NOARLUNGA

St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am

1st Sunday 11.00am (Spanish Mass)
2nd Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm
Monday 9.00am
Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th week) 9.00am
Tuesday (1st, 3rd week) 9.45am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Thursday 9.00am (St John's School)
Friday 10.00am

NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 10.30am 2nd, 4th Sundays 8.30am 1st Friday 6.00pm

PARNDANA

2nd, 4th Sunday 4.00pm

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace (shared with Anglicans) 1st Sunday 2.00pm

SEAFORD

Seaford Ecumenical Mission, Grand Bvd Sunday 10.45am Wednesday 9.00am

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road
Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 11.00am
Tuesday 9.00am
Thursday 9.00am
Friday (other than 1st) 9.00am
1st Friday 11.30am

WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays 8.30am 2nd, 4th Sundays 10.30am Wednesday 9.00am Thursday 9.00am Friday 9.00am (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.'

LAUNCH OF "FRIENDS OF FRANCIS"

Friends of Francis hopes to be a community of Catholics across the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island region, who support each other to be actively involved in working for social justice, peace through nonviolence, and care for creation. Inspired by Pope Francis' witness and call to us to bring hope to the world in crisis, we will also be taking heart from the example of St Francis of Assisi, whose life has inspired so many to give their hearts in loving service to those in need.

To celebrate World Environment Day and Pentecost Sunday, on Sunday 4 June there will be a "Stations of Creation" in Aldinga Scrub Conservation Park, offering the opportunity to hear God speaking to us through this beautiful coastal bush.

This will be followed by a gathering in the Community Room at Mary of Galilee Church at Aldinga, to introduce people to the idea of Friends of Francis.

For the Stations of Creation please assemble at the Dover Street carpark (corner of Fraser Street), Aldinga Beach (off Aldinga Beach Road) at 1.45pm on Sunday 4 June. We will be walking for about 15 minutes on soft sand, so reasonable fitness and mobility will be necessary. Wear suitable clothing for the weather, and good walking shoes. The walk will begin at 2.00pm and be completed by 2.45pm.

The gathering at Galilee Community Room will begin at 3.00pm and conclude by 4.30pm. If you cannot participate in the Scrub walk you will be very welcome to join in at the gathering.

For further information and directions, contact Peter Laffan on 8556 3915 or impe@internode.on.net.

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EXPLORING THE WORD

Despite the promise of Jesus that he would not leave his disciples 'orphaned' (see Sixth Sunday of Easter), after his death, they huddle in fear in the upper room. He comes among them, not offering recriminations at their lack of faith, but offering peace – a peace won through the cross and resurrection. Just as Jesus is transformed by this experience, so too, the disciples' fear turns to joy. In the giving of his Spirit, Jesus literally breathes life back into the disciples. They are to go out and continue his work of forgiveness, judgement and witness in the world.

DID YOU KNOW?

Pentecost was originally a Jewish harvest festival which was celebrated fifty days after the Passover. It was one of the great 'pilgrimage' festivals which meant that people came to celebrate this feast at the Temple. It was for this festival that so many pilgrims were present in Jerusalem on the day when the Spirit was manifested in the lives of the disciples.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS (5 - 11 June)

- *Monday, 5:* St Boniface (Tobit 1:3, 2:1-8; Mk 12:1-12)
- *Tuesday, 6:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 9 (Tobit 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17)
- *Wednesday, 7:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 9 (Tobit 3:1-11, 16-17; Mk 12:18-27)
- *Thursday, 8:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 9 (Tobit 6:10-11, 7:1, 9-14, 8:4-9; Mk 12:28-34)
- *Friday, 9:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 9 (Tobit 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37)
- *Saturday, 10:* Weekday, Ordinary Time 9 (Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mk 12:38-44)
- *Sunday 11:* The Most Holy TRINITY (Ex 34:4-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18)