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received no later than Tuesday
evening.)

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 5:27-32,40-41

The high priest demanded an explanation of the Apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13*

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my

- enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. <R>
- 2. Sing many psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. <R>
- 3. The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing; O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. <R>

SECOND READING

Apocalypse 5:11-14

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders: there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands. shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, (Continued page 4)

KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Healing list: Sue Semmler, Brianna Chudlee, Peter Weatherstone, John Slagter, Annette Roestenburg, Michelle Glynn, Elijah Laundy, Rebecca Semler, Chris Heath, Simon Laundy, Josh Semler

May anniversaries: Bill Berden, Mary Bradley, Peter Bradley, Baby Burden, Henry Carslake, Bob Clare, Jaunito Cruz, Charles Darcy, Timothy Hamm, Lorraine Holohan, Brian Kildea, Mildred Lashmar, Anthony Lonzar, Peter Lonzar, Dorothy McMahon, John Reynolds, Vikki Reynolds, Fiona Smith, Ann Wallace, Sr Pauline Wallace, John Williams, Heather Willmott, Ross Wohling

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

PARISH ROSTERS

	Reader	Prayers	Cleaning
04/05	H Mumford	A Clark	A Clark
11/05	S Semmler	L Grant	A Clark
18/05	K Hammatt	M Glynn	A Clark
25/05	S Semmler	L Grant	C Berden

PRIEST ROSTER

4 May Liturgy

DEATH OF POPE FRANCIS

With profound sorrow, the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide joins the universal Church in mourning the passing of His Holiness, Pope Francis. A shepherd of deep faith, compassion and humility, Pope Francis dedicated his life to serving God's people and advocating for the poor, the marginalised and the dignity of all human life.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN COUNT OF ATTENDANCE



As you may be aware, the Archdiocese of Adelaide conducts a Count of Attendance for all Masses held on the weekends during the month of May, which is used for pastoral planning and financial reporting.

This year attendance counts are to be conducted over four weekends of May - 03/04, 10/11, 17/18 and 24/25 in all Parish Mass Centres.

As we did last year, we need to record how many people are in the different age groups. We plan to do this with a show of hands at the end of Mass.

MARIAN PROCESSION

The 76th Marian Procession will be held on Sunday, May 18 beginning at Victoria Park and processing up Wakefield Street into Victoria Square. The Procession will commence at 2.00pm and all are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Archdiocesan Events on 8210 8220.

PILGRIMAGE & MASS with Archbishop O'Regan

Archbishop O'Regan will be making a pilgrimage to the Jubilee Pilgrimage Site of St Aloysius Church in Sevenhill on Saturday June 28, where he will celebrate Mass at 12.30pm. If you wish to attend this Mass, please register at the following link: https://www.trybooking.com/DASOD. Reconciliation will be offered from 11.00am, and tea and coffee will follow the Mass. All are welcome!

MOUNT LOFTY BOTANIC GARDENS TOUR

Laudato Si' Week event

The Archdiocese of Adelaide invites you to a guided tour of the Mount Lofty Botanic Gardens to celebrate Laudato Si' Week 2025. The event will be held on Saturday May 24, 1.00pm - 3.00pm. Places are limited so register early at https://www.trybooking.com/DADBH

HONOURING THE SOUL

The Sisters of Mercy are conducting a 40-day Sabbatical Program at Santa Casa Retreat Centre, Queenscliff, Vic, from September 1 to October 12 2025.

For more information please contact <u>cathy.solano.11@gmail.com</u> or call 0418 194 261.

YOU KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU (John 21: 1 - 19)

They knew it was the Lord. All this talk about "knowing" it was Jesus leads us to believe that his glorified body was significantly different than the one before his death. Mary who loved him had not recognised him near the tomb. His appearance had undergone a substantial change.

What they recognised, of course, were the signs of Jesus. Where there were no fish, suddenly there is abundance. Where they faced no breakfast after a thankless night at sea, suddenly there is a warm fire and bread and fish. He distributes the food to them and they know this stranger is the Lord.

Peter is asked to profess his love, three times. He is distressed to have to repeat it, but in fact we must repeat our love over and over and over if it is to be credible. His threefold profession erases his triple denial, and he is asked to be a leader and a follower both. This is the essence of Christian leadership: to profess love often, and to remember in the exercise of authority that we are followers too. Only then are we fit to tend the lambs.

Questions for Reflection

- Have you ever found yourself fighting against God? Who prevailed?
- What have you seen or heard that helps you to lift the veil between you and glory?
- Name those who both lead and follow with love, in your community or in our times? What do they teach us?



CALENDAR 2025

18 May St Vincent de Paul Appeal 9 Jun King's birthday holiday 29 Jun Holy Father's Appeal Last day School term 2 2 Jul 6 July NATSICC Appeal 20 Jul Stella Maris - Sea Sunday First day School term 3 21 Jul 10 Aug Vocations Appeal Last day School term 3 26 Sep 6 Oct Labour day holiday





Ron Rolheiser column

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A NEEDED REMINDER

Benedictine monk shared this story with me. During his early years in religious life, he had been resentful because he was required to ask permission from his Abbott if he wanted anything: "I thought it was silly, me, a grown man, an adult, having to ask a superior if I wanted a new shirt. I felt like a child."

But as he aged his perspective changed: "I'm not sure of all the reasons, though I'm sure they have to do with grace, but one day I came to realize that there was some deep wisdom in having to ask permission for everything. We don't own anything; nothing comes to us by right. Everything is gift. So ideally everything should be asked for and not taken as if it were ours by right. We need to be grateful to God and the universe for everything that's been given us. Now, when I need something and need to ask permission from the Abbott, I no longer feel like a child. Rather, I feel that I'm more properly in tune with the way things should be in a gift-oriented universe within which nobody has a right to ultimately claim anything.'

What this monk came to understand is a principle which undergirds all spirituality, all morality, and every one of the commandments, namely, that everything comes to us as gift, nothing can be claimed as if owed to us. We should be grateful to God and to the universe for giving us what we have and careful not to claim, as by right, anything more.

But this goes against much in our instinctual selves and within our culture. Within both, there are strong voices which tell us that if you cannot take what you want then you're a weak person, weak in a double way. First, you're a weak personality, too timid to fully claim life. Second, you've been weakened

by religious and moral scruples and are unable to properly seize the day and be fully alive. These voices tell us that we need to grow up because there is much in us that's fearful and infantile, a child held captive by superstitious forces.

It's precisely because of these voices that today, in a culture that professes to be Christian and moral, leading political and social figures can in all sincerity believe and say that empathy is a human weakness.

We need an important reminder.

The voice of Jesus is radically antithetical to these voices. Empathy is the penultimate human virtue, the antithesis of weakness. Jesus would look on so much that is assertive, aggressive, and accumulative within our society and, notwithstanding the admiration it receives, tell us clearly that this is not what it means to come to the banquet which lies at the heart of God's kingdom. He would not share our admiration of the rich and famous who too often claim, as by right, their excessive wealth and status. When Jesus states that it is harder for a rich person to go to heaven than for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle, he might have qualified this by adding: "Unless, of course, the rich person, childlike, asks permission from the universe, from the community, and from God, for every new shirt!"

When I was a religious novice, our novice master tried to impress upon us the meaning of religious poverty by making us write inside every book that was given to us the Latin words: ad usum. Literally: for your use. The idea was that, although this book was given to you for your personal use, you didn't own it. It was only for your use; real ownership lay elsewhere. We were then told that this was true as well of everything else given to us for our personal use, from our toothbrushes

to the shirts on our backs. They were not really ours, merely given to us for our use.

One of the young men in that novitiate group who left the order is today a medical doctor. He remains a close friend and he once shared with me how today, as a doctor, he still writes those words ad usum in every one of his books. His rational is this: "I don't belong to a religious order. I don't have a vow of poverty, but the principle our novice master taught us is just as valid for me in the world as it is for a religious novice. We don't own anything. Those books aren't really mine. They've been given to me, temporarily, for my use. Nothing ultimately belongs to anybody and it's best never to forget that." No matter how rich, strong, and grownup we are, there's something healthy in having to ask permission to buy a new shirt. It keeps us attuned to the fact that the universe belongs to everyone, to God ultimately. Everything comes to us as gift and so we may never take anything for granted, but only as granted!

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): BSB 066-782 A/c No 100027201 Reference: Your name

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Parish): BSB 066-782 A/c No 100000067 Reference: Your name

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CHILD PROTECTION

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A safe environment for all.

Mrs Helen Mumford (KI contact - 0408 367 009) Child Protection Unit 8210 8159

CALL, ACTION!

Have you wondered why no one in the story of Superman figures out that he and Clark Kent are the same person? Not even the evil genius Lex Luthor! It's almost maddening to audiences of the films and readers of the comics. I mean, come on, glasses and a suit are the extent of his disguise? OK, Clark slouches and his voice is higher pitched and he's bumbling and unassertive, and Superman is pretty spectacular in his costume. But even his love interest Lois had trouble putting two and two together!

The inability of the disciples to recognise the risen Christ immediately and without question might also seem baffling, but as far as plot twists go, it is a doozy and one can understand how they might not mentally process this incredible occurrence right away. And he does somehow look different to boot. But when he calls Mary's name and be breaks bread with them and the nets fill with fish at his command, they all see him for who he is.

Think about it: If Clark were to start flying, his true identity would be a no-brainer. True identity is about actions, not appearances.

(Continued from page 1) for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ is risen; the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 21:1-19

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fiftythree of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.

'I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt round you and take you where you would rather not go.'

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

KIDS' CORNER

When Jesus was on trial, Peter was afraid. Peter thought he was protecting himself by lying. Three times people asked Peter if he knew Jesus, and three times Peter said he didn't. Maybe that is why the Risen Jesus asked Peter this question three times: "Do you love me?" Jesus gave Peter another chance to say how he truly felt without having to be afraid. Has anyone ever given you another chance after you made a mistake? How does that feel?



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(05 - 08 May)

- *Monday, 05:* Monday, 3rd week of Easter (Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Jn 21:1-19)
- *Tuesday, 06:* Tuesday, 3rd week of Easter(Acts 7:51 8:1; Jn 6:30-35)
- Wednesday, 07: Wednesday, 3rd week of Easter (Acts 8:1-8; Jn 6:35-40)
- *Thursday, 08:* Thursday, 3rd week of Easter (Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51)
- *Friday, 09:* Friday, 3rd week of Easter ((Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59)
- *Saturday, 10:* Saturday, 3rd week of Easter (Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69)
- *Sunday 11:* 4th Sunday of Easter (Acts 13:14, 43-52; Apoc 7:9, 14-17; Jn 10:27-30)

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