



Welcome to

Kangaroo Island Catholic Community

(Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)

EASTER SUNDAY - YEAR A

Vol 8 : No 21

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

THERE WILL BE NO MASSES OR PUBLIC LITURGIES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE THE NEWSLETTER ON OUR WEBSITE.

www.kicatholic.org.au/news.html

KANGAROO ISLAND CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish House: 22 Giles Street, KINGSCOTE, SA 5223

Phone: 8553 2132

Postal address: PO Box 749, KINGSCOTE, SA 5223

Email: cphkings@adam.com.au

Web: www.kicatholic.org.au

NOARLUNGA DOWNS CATHOLIC PRESBYTERY

Phone: 8382 1717

PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

PARISH PRIEST

Fr Josy Sebastian (8382 1717; in emergency - 0452 524 169)

Fr Prathap Katta (A/Priest - 8382 1717)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mr Peter Clark (8559 5131)

FINANCE

Mrs Helen Mumford (0408 367 009 or kimumford@bigpond.com)

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Mr Peter Clark (8559 5131, paclark@muckra.com.au)

(All items for the newsletter must be received no later than Tuesday evening.)

SPONSORSHIP

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

CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159



FIRST READING

Acts 10:34, 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved.

(Continued page 4)

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Mei Kuen Sexton, Fr Peter Milburn, Toni Langridge, Damian Baynes, Charles Gorman, Dalton Baynes, Roy Gatton

Recently deceased: Tony (Noxy) Clark

April anniversaries: Josephine Bannan, Ray Bannan, Elizabeth Black, Wilma Buick, Karen Cairney, Gwen Chalmers, Ambrose Clark, Robert Clark, Francis Clarke, Catherine Commerford, Sarah Cunningham, Jamie Larcombe, Jimmy Dow, Tate Furniss, Monika Gibbs, Mary O'Brien, Norah Ridge, Verna Trethewey, Beryl Williams, Albert Willson, Keith 'Hoppy' Willson, and all the faithful departed.

May all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ through our actions and His healing presence.

DIRECT PAYMENTS

If you prefer to organise your Church donations via bank transfer there are a couple of ways you can go about this.

1. If you bank online, you can set up periodic, direct payments yourself. Again, you will need to do this twice - once for the first collection and again for second.

Acc: Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish
BSB: 085-005
Acc No: 918 111 484
Ref: Your surname, initials and *First* or *General*

2. Periodic regular payments may also be organised with your bank. Take the account details (above) with you and bank staff can set it up for you.

NB: *First* collection is for the support of our Priests and *General* (second at our Masses) is for the support of our Parish.

If you wish to proceed and need more information or help, please contact Helen Mumford or Peter Clark.



LIVE STREAMING and TV BROADCAST of EASTER MASSES

The following Easter services will be broadcast on free-to-air-television on Channel 44**, a community television station, at the following times:

- Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6.30pm - 7.30pm
- Good Friday - of the Lord, 3pm - 4pm
- Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, 6pm - 7pm
- Easter Sunday, 9am - 10am

***Channel 44 may not be available unless you have a clear line of sight to Mount Lofty, but you can still get it online at <https://c44.com.au>*

These services will be also be available online via www.adelaide.catholic.org.au

Channel 7 will be broadcasting nationally on free-to-air TV the Lord's Passion at 3pm on Good Friday and at Easter Sunday Mass at 10.30am, both from St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney.

A positive of this time of isolation is that we are spoilt for choice with some amazing celebrants in incredible locations. Do a search and you could be at Mass in Paris .. or the USA .. or India. There are literally hundreds of sites and youtube clips you can access to get broadcasts of Easter Mass services (eg if you would like to watch Bishop Charles in Darwin over the weekend go to <http://www.darwin.catholic.org.au>)

PROJECT COMPASSION

Thank you for supporting us this year. You will be helping to empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty. There are a couple of ways you can make your donation this year to Caritas Australia:

1. Send a cheque for the amount of cash you have collected to:
Caritas Australia,
GPO Box 9830,
Sydney, NSW 2001
2. Securely bank your donation via online transfer, or at a branch using the following bank account details
BSB – 062 217
Acc No. 1007 2446
Acc Name – Caritas Australia
Ref. Surname

COVID-19 PHONE COUNSELLING

Now available by appointment
People struggling to cope with the chaos and fear surrounding COVID-19 can now access free phone counselling by appointment from Centacare Catholic Family Services.

In response to the health emergency, Centacare has increased capacity to provide telephone support for mental health concerns, family stress due to job loss, social isolation and other challenges arising from the coronavirus pandemic. People do not need a mental health care plan to access the short-term support. Rather, they can phone Centacare direct and book an appointment for a telephone counselling consultation.

People can phone Centacare between 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday, to make a daytime or evening appointment. The telephone counselling service is inclusive, non-judgmental and unconditional.

“Centacare wishes to offer a connection to those who seek counselling, strategies, or ways of working through individual, family or relationship issues, without having to leave their home,” Deputy Director Pauline Connelly said. “In isolation with families, what once may have been an irritant can become an aggravator, and what once was a disappointment can lead to confusion and disturbance in one's thinking. Seeking help early at these times, through phone counselling, can offer relief and provide a pathway to a new normal.”

To book an appointment for COVID-19 telephone counselling, please phone Centacare (8215 6700). For more information, please contact Elizabeth Rowe (0437 062 302).

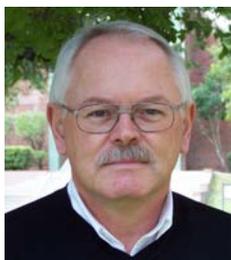
ARE YOU BORED IN ISOLATION?

(These are some real answers)

- *I cooked a full three-course meal and ate it all myself, whilst pretending I was on a cooking show ... and I won!*
- *Figured out that: "Are you as bored as I am" still makes sense when read backwards.*
- *Finally folded all my laundry and discovered there was chair underneath!*
- *Went through my spice rack and found some oregano from 2008, which is weird because I've only been living in this house for one year.*

• *I've been knitting*





Ron Rolheiser column

Ronald Rolheiser, a Roman Catholic priest and member of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, is president of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, Texas. 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.

THE MEANING OF JESUS' DEATH

Jesus' death washes everything clean, including our ignorance and sin. That's the clear message from Luke's account of his death.

As we know, we have four Gospels, each with its own take on the passion and death of Jesus. As we know too these Gospel accounts are not journalistic reports of what happened on Good Friday but more theological interpretations of what happened then. They're paintings of Jesus' death more so than news reports about it and, like good art, they take liberties to highlight certain forms so as to bring out essence. Each Gospel writer has his own interpretation of what happened on Calvary.

For Luke, what happened in the death of Jesus is the clearest revelation, ever, of the incredible scope of God's understanding, forgiveness, and healing. For him, Jesus' death washes everything clean through an understanding, forgiveness, and healing that belies every notion suggesting anything to the contrary. To make this clear, Luke highlights a number of elements in his narrative.

First, in his account of Jesus' arrest in the Garden of Gethsemane, he tells us that immediately after one of his disciples struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his ear, Jesus touched the man's ear and healed him. God's healing, Luke intimates, reaches into all situations, even situations of bitterness, betrayal, and violence. God's grace will ultimately heal even what's wounded in hatred.

Then, after Peter denied him three times and Jesus is being led away after his interrogation by the Sanhedrin, Luke tells us that Jesus turned and looked straight at Peter in a look that made Peter weep bitterly.

Everything in this text and everything that comes after it suggests that the look from Jesus that caused Peter to weep bitterly was not one of disappointment and accusation, a look that would have caused Peter to weep in shame. No, rather it was a look of such understanding and empathy as Peter had never before seen, causing him to weep in relief, knowing that everything was alright and he was alright.

And when Luke records Jesus' trial before Pilate, he recounts something that's not recorded in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' trial, namely, Pilate sending Jesus to Herod and how the two of them, bitter enemies until that day, "became friends that same day." As Ray Brown, commenting on this text puts it, "Jesus has a healing effect even on those who mistreat him."

Finally, in Luke's narrative, we arrive at the place where Jesus is crucified and as they are crucifying him, he utters the famous words: *Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.* Those words, which Christians forever afterwards have taken as the ultimate criterion as to how we should treat our enemies and those who do us ill, encapsulate the deep revelation contained in Jesus' death. Uttered in that context as God is about to be crucified by human beings, these words reveal how God sees and understands even our worst actions: Not as ill-will, not as something that ultimately turns us against God or God against us, but as ignorance – simple, non-culpable, invincible, understandable, forgivable, akin to the self-destructive actions of an innocent child.

In that context too, Luke narrates Jesus' forgiveness of the "good thief". What Luke wants to highlight here, beyond the obvious, are a number of things: First, that the man

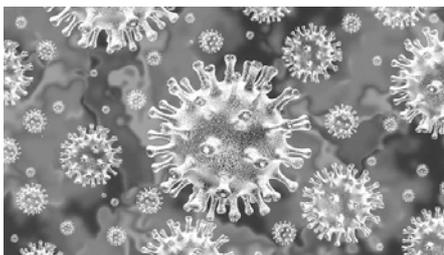
is forgiven not because he didn't sin, but in spite of his sin; second, that he is given infinitely more than he actually requests of Jesus; and finally, that Jesus will not die with any unfinished business, this man's sin must first be wiped clean.

Finally, in Luke's narrative, unlike the narratives of Mark and Matthew, Jesus does not die expressing abandonment, but rather dies expressing complete trust: "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit". Luke wants us to see in these words a template for how we can face our own deaths, given our weaknesses. What's the lesson? Leon Bloy once wrote that there is only one true sadness in life, that of not being a saint. At the end of the day when each of us face our own death this will be our biggest regret, that we're not saints. But, as Jesus shows in his death, we can die in (even in weakness) knowing we are dying into safe hands.

Luke's account of the passion and death of Jesus, unlike much of Christian tradition, does not focus on the atoning value of Jesus' death. What it emphasizes instead is this: *Jesus' death washes everything clean, each of us and the whole world. It heals everything, understands everything, and forgives everything – despite every ignorance, weakness, infidelity, and betrayal on our part.* In John's passion narrative, Jesus' dead body is pierced with a lance and immediately "blood and water" (life and cleansing) flow out. In Luke's account, Jesus' body is not pierced. It doesn't need to be. By the time he breathes his last he has forgiven everyone and everything has been washed clean.

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

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE



THERE WILL BE NO MASSES OR PUBLIC LITURGIES IN ANY OF OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION
PLEASE SEE THE NEWSLETTER
ON YOUR PARISH WEBSITE

KANGAROO ISLAND PARISH

(www.kicatholic.org.au)

KINGSCOTE

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help,
cnr Todd and Giles Streets*

PENNESHAW

St Columba, North Terrace



NOARLUNGA/SEAFORD PARISH

(www.noarlunga-seafordparish.org.au)

NOARLUNGA

*St Luke, the Evangelist,
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve*

SEAFORD

*Seaford Ecumenical Mission,
Grand Bvd*



VICTOR HARBOR/GOOLWA PARISH

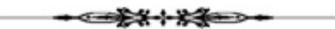
(www.victorgoolwacatholic.org.au)

VICTOR HARBOR

St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road

GOOLWA

St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St



WILLUNGA PARISH

(www.willungaparish.org.au)

ALDINGA

*Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple
cnr Quinliven and How Roads*

NORMANVILLE

St Peter, Cape Jervis Road

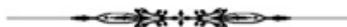
WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street

(Continued from page 1)

‘They have taken the Lord out of the tomb’ she said ‘and we don’t know where they have put him.’

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.



THIS MAN GOD CHOSE

What if Mary hadn’t gone to the tomb that day? John tells us she got up in the darkness, the day after the Sabbath, as soon as religion allowed for work to be done. She had waited with great longing for the end of Saturday, so that she could return to the burial place and anoint the body of one she loved. When she arrived in that dark hour, she found the stone rolled away and her fear propelled her into the presence of the disciples. Jesus’ body was stolen!

Her report mobilised the men, and so Easter came into being. But what if Mary had not returned to the site because of discouragement, fear, or sheer exhaustion? Would anyone have discovered the miracle? Often, we reach the end of our own personal passion week, and never make it to the empty tomb. Lots of things conspire to keep us away. Love is the only reason to go forward, to find that the night is ended, and a new world has dawned.

What difference does the resurrection of Jesus make to you? *GPBS eNews*

GLORY BE!

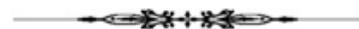
My dad had a knack for gathering in troubled souls, and my mum had a talent for nurturing them back to health. My parents’ charges didn’t always stay well, but at least they were offered a moment of sanity in the chaos of their lives.

At Easter I always think of Butchie. She was a beautiful young woman, the daughter of a work friend of Dad’s, who had a serious drug habit that she just couldn’t seem to kick. She’d worn out her welcome at the home of every friend and relation, so she came knocking on Big John Tuohy’s door. Dad said, sure she could come live with us as long as she stayed sober, kept a job, and didn’t give my mother any worries. My dad let her know he hoped she’d be going to Mass with us. “Next Sunday is Easter,” he told her. “Bonnets are required”.

After most of the appropriately and demurely adorned congregation filed into church Easter morning, in traipsed the Tuohy clan. Hushed gasps and quelled guffaws followed as the congregation beheld Butchie in all her glory: red shoes, red stockings, red shoes, and a red straw bonnet with black netting and loads of feathers. She looked like a crimson bird of paradise.

The homespun life didn’t hold Butchie’s interest for long. But for one brief moment she stood in the light of the Resurrection. I hope that light still shines on her.

GPBS eNews



THIS WEEK’S READINGS (13 - 19 April)

- **Monday, 13:** Monday within Easter Octave (Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15)
- **Tuesday, 14:** Tuesday within Easter Octave (Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18)
- **Wednesday, 15:** Wednesday within Easter Octave Week (Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35)
- **Thursday, 16:** Thursday within Easter Octave (Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48)
- **Friday, 17:** Friday within Easter Octave Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14)
- **Saturday, 18:** Saturday within Easter Octave (Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15)
- **Sunday 19:** Second Sunday of Easter (Acts 10:34, 37-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:19-31) 2:42-47; 1 Pet 20:1-9)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).