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

### **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**

*Proverbs 8:22-31*

The Wisdom of God cries aloud:

The Lord created me when his  
purpose first unfolded, before the  
oldest of his works.

From everlasting I was firmly set,  
from the beginning, before earth  
came into being.

The deep was not, when I was born,  
there were no springs to gush with  
water.

Before the mountains were settled,  
before the hills, I came to birth;  
before he made the earth, the  
countryside, or the first grains of the  
world's dust.

When he fixed the heavens firm, I  
was there, when he drew a ring on  
the surface of the deep, when he  
thickened the clouds above, when he  
fixed fast the springs of the deep,  
when he assigned the sea its  
boundaries – and the waters will not  
invade the shore – when he laid  
down the foundations of the earth,  
I was by his side, a master  
craftsman, delighting him day after  
day, ever at play in his presence, at  
play everywhere in his world,  
delighting to be with the sons of  
men.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps 8:4-9*

*O Lord, our God, how wonderful  
your name in all the earth!*

### **SECOND READING**

*Romans 5:1-5*

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by  
faith we are judged righteous and at  
peace with God, since it is by faith  
and through Jesus that we have  
entered this state of grace in which  
we can boast about looking forward  
to God's glory. But that is not all we  
can boast about; we can boast about  
our sufferings. These sufferings  
bring patience, as we know, and  
patience brings perseverance, and  
perseverance brings hope, and this  
hope is not deceptive, because the  
love of God has been poured into  
our hearts by the Holy Spirit which  
has been given us.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Apoc 1:8*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the  
Son, and to the Holy Spirit: to God  
who is, who was, and who is to  
come. Alleluia!*

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# Bulletin Board

## PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

**Recently deceased:** Jim Higgins, Marge Brown, Joyce West

**June anniversaries:** Dorothy 'Mardi' Atkison, 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

	Comm	Reader	Cleaning
12/06	M Glynn	P Bennett	A Bevan
19/06	S Semler	A Gibbs	H Mumford
26/06	L Grant	P Clark	H Mumford

## PRIEST ROSTER

*(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops up)*  
12/06 Fr Eldridge D'souza

## 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.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression and natural disasters. Please join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters.

## ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a

specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care.

Closing date for application is July 29. More information and application forms available at <https://Pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>.

## REFUGEE WEEK 2022

### Prayer Service

An online prayer service will be hosted by the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office and the Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace on June 20 at 6pm (AEST). Register now at <https://bit.ly/RefugeeWeek2022Prayers>



## PRAYER FOR THE UKRAINE

*Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.*

*We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.*

*We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.*

*May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.* Amen

## OUR GOD FEAST

Jesus speaks of himself, the One he knows as the Father, and the Friend Spirit interchangeably, at least in the Gospel of John. It can get a little confusing, Jesus and the Father are one, and the Spirit speaks for Jesus. Soon the disciples will share in this same unity with the Spirit comes to dwell with them. How can we tell where one identity leaves and one begins?

We can't. And we don't have to. That's the nature of mystery. God can't be sliced up like a pie and served across the table piece by piece. We want to be scientific, or at least mathematical, about Trinity: How much of Jesus is God? (*All of him*) Then what's the difference between God and Jesus? (*Full humanity*) How can Jesus be fully God and fully human? (*Good question!*) If Eucharist is Jesus, and

we consume Eucharist, how much of us is Christ? (*As much as we allow*) This last question is the only one that's no mystery at all. It's an invitation awaiting our response.

How much of your life is given over to "being Christ," as the Eucharist invites us to be? What can you do to increase the percentage of your surrender?

Celebrate God the Creator today. Enjoy the beauty of the natural world. Celebrate God the Redeemer in word and sacrament. Celebrate God the Sanctifier in prayer and praise.

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## 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.

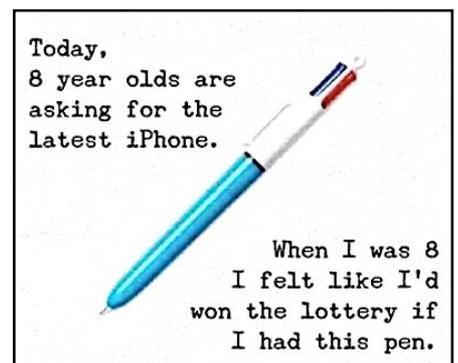
We pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and grace for the members who will gather and also for ourselves and the Church, that we may have the courage to follow where God is leading us. For more information visit [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit)

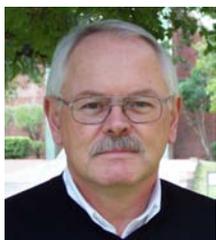
## MARY MACKILLOP MUSEUM

If you haven't already visited the museum, this four-minute video introduction might whet your appetite:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IF8PIm29KZZ0KWCPoWkWyTdnrFM\\_wss/view?form=MY01SV&OCID=MY01SVintroduction](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IF8PIm29KZZ0KWCPoWkWyTdnrFM_wss/view?form=MY01SV&OCID=MY01SVintroduction):

Come any day, Sunday to Tuesday, between 10.00am and 4.00pm. Bring the family – there's plenty to see and do for children.





## 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*

### GOD'S SENSE OF HUMOR

If we genuinely trust scripture, our own experience, and our own sanity, we can only conclude that God has a sense of humor, and a robust and sneaky one at that. Where's the evidence?

A generation ago, Peter Berger wrote a remarkable little book entitled, *A Rumor of Angels*. Unlike Aquinas, Anselm, Descartes, and a number of renowned philosophers, he didn't try to "prove" the existence of God through logic and argumentation. Rather, he simply examined a number of very ordinary human experiences and pointed to what's hidden inside and behind the walls of those experiences. For instance, when a mother soothes and calms a frightened child at night, assuring the child that there is nothing to fear, she does this in good faith only because at some deep level she intuits that ultimately everything is all right. In effect, unconsciously, she is praying a Creed.

Now, one of the experiences Berger highlights is the experience of humor. Here's his thesis: no matter how oppressive and dire the circumstance, human beings always have the capacity to make light of it, to view it through the prism of irony and humor. For example, martyrs have joked with their executioners and, no doubt, there was some banter, sarcasm, irony, and bitter humor at times inside extermination camps. The fact that people can do this, and do in fact do it, shows that there is always something transcendent inside us, something over which no human oppression has power, something that sets us above any situation within which we find ourselves. Our sense of irony and humor manifests that something in our soul sets us above anything that can beset us.

And, this can have its source in only one place, inside of the Creator who made us. Thus, not only must God have a sense of humor, humor must be something inherent within the nature of God, since humor is good and God is the author of all that is good.

There's a school of classical philosophy that believes God has four transcendental properties. God, it teaches, is *One, True, Good, and Beautiful* – to this we can add, *Humorous*. Moreover, this can be inferred from more than just the fact that sometimes we sense that humor manifests our transcendence within a given situation. More importantly, we can infer that humor has some godliness from examining the component parts of love. God is love, and humor is undeniably an important part of love.

When the classical Greek philosophers defined love, they highlighted a number of components within it, namely, *erotic attraction, obsession, friendship, pragmatic arrangement, and altruism*. However, they also highlighted another component, *playfulness/banter/humor*. How insightful. Humor along with healthy banter and playful teasing are part of the grease that enables us to sustain relationships long term, despite the inevitable over-familiarity, hurt, disappointment, and boredom that beset even the most loving relationships. Humor helps make it all work. Thus, since it is an innate part of love, it is an innate part of God.

Sadly, we don't often picture God that way. Christianity, Judaism, and Islam have this in common. We all picture God as male, celibate, solemn – and humorless. How might we picture God differently?

If you were to draw up a composite face representing God, whose face would you include in this picture? The pious face of the gentle, blond-haired Jesus with a lamb on his shoulder we see in our holy pictures? Images of a serenely composed and quiet Mary that we see depicted in our statues of her? The face of Mother Teresa? The face of Therese of Lisieux? The face of Dorothy Day? Of Martin Luther King? Of Oscar Romero? Of Billy Graham? Of Henri Nouwen? Of Rachel Held Evans? The face of your mother or father? Would you also include the face of your favorite comedian or favorite wit? Jerry Seinfeld? Bette Midler? Rowan

Atkinson? The mischievous face of your colorful uncle telling a joke?

Any picture of God's face needs to manifest an inner soul that is One, True, Good, Beautiful, but also Humorous and Mischievous. Funny, while I believe that God is the author of humor, I've never been enamored by the various artistic depictions of Jesus as laughing uproariously. Good idea, good intention, good theology, but to my taste, lacking the right nuance. That kind of laughing face has an ephemeral quality that too easily gives way to something else after it's had its moment. God's face, I suspect, has a quieter, sneakier, more permanent mischievousness to it.

If this is true, if God not only has a sense of humor but is also the author of humor itself, then humor is an important quality within sanctity and holiness. What makes for wholeness, maturity, holiness, love, and for the kind of person you want beside you at the table, here and at the eternal one in heaven? Certainly, you want someone who manifests the qualities that Jesus asked for in the Sermon on the Mount – along with a warm, playful, and mischievous sense of humor.

You can read, or download, Ron Rolheiser's weekly columns from his website at: [www.ronrolheiser.com](http://www.ronrolheiser.com)

- *A police officer just knocked on my door and told me my dogs are chasing people on bikes. That's ridiculous. My dogs don't even own bikes.*
- *I took the shell off my racing snail, thinking it would make him faster. If anything, it made him more sluggish.*



## COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 08/06/22)



- 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.
- There are now no density limits for places of worship.
- Masks are highly recommended by the Archdiocese.
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship.
- Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during Mass.
- Offertory procession will be omitted. Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- The Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccinations for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).

### DID YOU KNOW?

- The early Christians struggled to understand the belief that God is both one and three. Many great councils of the church were held to clarify what this meant and to find the language with which to describe the trinitarian relationship between Father, Son and Spirit. It was not until the Council of Constantinople in ad 381 that the doctrine of the Trinity was defined.
- Many of the prayers of the church express our belief in a triune God (three persons in one). One of the greatest and most simple of these prayers is the sign of the cross.

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## GOSPEL

**John 16:12-15**

Jesus said to his disciples:

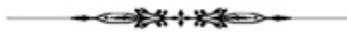
‘I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine.

Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said:

*All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.*’



### THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

Bryan never thought of himself as a spiritual person. He went to church once in a while, especially on Christmas and Easter and during Lent, but he never thought about it much. Now he had come to know the truth about himself and had come to understand that the truth was from God. And the truth about Bryan was that he was an alcoholic.

The truth caught up with Bryan the morning he woke up and didn't know where he was or how he had gotten there. He didn't know what he had done the night before, how the side of his car had gotten bashed in, or why there was a gash in his arm and a bruise on his face. All he remembered was that he had been having a few drinks with his friends and had gotten pretty drunk. Just like the night before, and the night before that. In fact, he had been getting drunk a lot.

But now the truth was upon him and he had to do something about it. At the 12-step meeting, when it was time, he stood up and, for the first time in a long time, he spoke the truth: “My name is Bryan and I'm an alcoholic”. In the days and weeks to

come, Bryan would learn a lot more truth about himself. But for now, the big truth was that the Spirit of Truth had rescued him. And that from now on he was going to be on God's side, living in the truth.

The Commissioning: You are the change-makers of the Holy One: life will be different and good. You are the peacemakers of the Holy One: conflict and disharmony will be resolved. You are the health-bringers of the Holy One: suffering and sadness will be overcome, the example of Jesus will enthuse us, the Holy Spirit will go with us. Amen.

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### SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Human beings will always struggle before the mystery of God, who is one but also three. Augustine's idea of the Trinity as a communion of love is a very rich and powerful image. Can our own communion of love with others teach us something of the life and love of the Trinity?



### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(13 - 19 June)

- **Monday, 13:** St Anthony of Padua (1 Kg 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42)
- **Tuesday, 14:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (1 Kg 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48)
- **Wednesday, 15:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Kg 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)
- **Thursday, 16:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (Sirach 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15)
- **Friday, 17:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Kg 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Mt 6:19-23)
- **Saturday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2 Chr 24:17-25; Mt 6:24-34)
- **Sunday 19:** The Most Holy BODY and BLOOD of CHRIST (*Corpus Christi*) (Gen 14:18-20; 1Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11-17)

### 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