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(All items for the newsletter must be
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

Ezekiel 17:22-24

The Lord says this:

‘From the top of the cedar,
from the highest branch I will take a
shoot and plant it myself on a very
high mountain. I will plant it on the
high mountain of Israel. It will sprout
branches and bear fruit, and become a
noble cedar. Every kind of bird will
live beneath it, every winged creature
rest in the shade of its branches. And
every tree of the field will learn that I,
the Lord, am the one who stunts tall
trees and makes the low ones grow,
who withers green trees and makes
the withered green. I, the Lord, have
spoken, and I will do it.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 91:2-3, 13-16

Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

We are always full of confidence
when we remember that to live in the
body means to be exiled from the
Lord, going as we do by faith and not
by sight – we are full of confidence, I

say, and actually want to be exiled
from the body and make our home
with the Lord. Whether we are living
in the body or exiled from it, we are
intent on pleasing him. For all the
truth about us will be brought out in
the law court of Christ, and each of us
will get what he deserves for the
things he did in the body, good or bad.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God,

Christ is the sower;

all who come to him will live forever.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds, ‘This is what
the kingdom of God is like. A man
throws seed on the land. Night and
day, while he sleeps, when he is
awake, the seed is sprouting and
growing; how, he does not know.

Of its own accord the land produces
first the shoot, then the ear, then the
full grain in the ear. And when the
crop is ready, he loses no time: he

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Bulletin Board

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Healing list: Sue Semler, Brianna Chudlee, Peter Weatherstone, John Slagter, Annette Roestenburg, Michelle Glynn

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, Mary Connell.

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

PARISH ROSTERS

	Prayers	Reader	Cleaning
16/5	P Clark	H Mumford	C Berden
23/6	M Glynn	A Clark	C Berden
30/6	P Bennett	M Slagter	C Berden

PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes

if something unforeseen crops up)

16/6	Communion Liturgy
23/06	Fr Lancy D'Silva
30/06	Fr John Stuart-James
07/07	Fr Santhosh Nazareth CSC

Much more than a walk

THE CAMINO EXPERIENCE

Adult Faith Formation
Lefevre Catholic Parish

Presented by Glenelg Parish Priest Fr John Herd who recently completed his Camino. Sunday June 16, 4.00pm – 5.00pm, Parish Meeting Rooms, 253 Military Road, Semaphore. For enquiries please call (08) 8449 6378.

DISASTER & RECOVERY MINISTRIES SA TRAINING INVITATION

Disaster and Recovery Ministries is coordinated by the Uniting Church in SA. They train and deploy teams of people from many faith communities who, at the invitation of the SA Government, provide pastoral and spiritual support to others in the

community during times of disaster and subsequent recovery. For more information about the training dates and how to register please click here for flyer.

SAFEGUARDING OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Children have the right to be free from sexual abuse.

We all want children to be safe and know that sexual abuse harms children on many levels. The Adelaide Archdiocese has a programme (*Safe Environments For All*) that aims to ensure our Church is a safe space where children are protected from abuse. We pray for children who are not safe or have been harmed by the adults responsible for caring for them. Doing everything we can to create a safe environment will ensure that children now and in the future can experience our Church as a place where they know the love of God - where the way we as adults care for them mirrors the care and protectiveness that God shows us all.

Child Protection Unit (8210 8159)

CARITAS AUSTRALIA'S PNG LANDSLIDE APPEAL

Remote communities in Papua New Guinea have been devastated by the catastrophic landslide that struck at 3.00am on May 24.

Your urgent support is needed now. Donate at www.caritas.org.au/png or phone 1800 024 413.

CATHOLIC WOMENS' GUILD

The next Catholic Womens' Guild meeting will be held at 9.30am on Monday, June 24.

KIDS' CORNER

...for we walk by faith, not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7)

Dad helps Greta strap on a life preserver. "Ready for your first boating adventure?" he says. Greta looks at the paddleboat and the pond. What if the boat tips over? Greta isn't sure what will happen. But she trusts Dad to keep her safe. "I'm ready to go!" she says.

Today you might do something for the first time. Maybe it's a chore or sport. Pray to Jesus. You can always trust him to help you.

THE DAY OF THE AFRICAN CHILD - JUNE 16TH

The Day of the African Child was first celebrated in 1991, commemorating the Soweto Uprising in 1976, when thousands of black South African students stood against the apartheid regime's inferior education policies. This event resulted in a tragic loss of lives, but it also became a turning point for education on the continent. It serves as a day of remembrance, but also as a catalyst for continued action towards achieving educational equality for all African children.

CONSCIOUSNESS

At this moment, Lord, I turn my thoughts to You. I will leave aside my chores and preoccupations. I will take rest and refreshment in Your presence.

www.sacredspace.ie

DATES

30 Jun	Holy Father's Appeal
05 Jul	Last day School term 2
07 July	NATSICC Appeal
22 Jul	First day School term 3
11 Aug	Vocations Appeal
15 Aug	Assumption Virgin Mary
31 Aug - Sep 8	Adelaide Show
Sep	Catholic Charities month
27 Sep	Last day School term 3
28 Sep	AFL Grand Final
05/06	Supporting Clergy Appeal
07 Oct	Labour Day holiday
14 Oct	First day School term 4
20 Oct	World Mission Day Appeal
05 Nov	Melbourne Cup
10 Nov	St Vincent de Paul Appeal
13 Dec	Last day School term 4 (Yrs 10, 11, 12 vary)
25 Dec	Catholic Charities Appeal





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

ORDINARY TIME

In its calendar, the church singles out special seasons to celebrate – Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. But, outside of these special times, it invites us to live and celebrate *Ordinary time*.

Ordinary time. For most of us, I suspect, that phrase conjures up images of something that is less than special – bland, flat, routine, domestic, boring. Inside us there is the sense that the ordinary can weigh us down, swallow us up, and keep us outside the more rewarding waters of passion, romance, creativity, and celebration.

We easily vilify the ordinary. I remember a young woman, a student of mine, who shared in class that her greatest fear in life was to succumb to the ordinary, “to end up a content, ordinary housewife, happily doing laundry commercials!”

If you’re an artist or have an artistic temperament, you’re particularly prone to this kind of denigration because artists tend to set creativity in opposition to the ordinary. Doris Lessing, for example, once commented that George Eliot could have been a better writer “if she hadn’t been so moral.” What Lessing is suggesting is that Eliot kept herself too anchored in the ordinary, too safe, too secure, too far from the edges. Kathleen Norris, in her biographical work, *The Virgin of Bennington*, shares how as a young writer she fell victim to this ideology: “Artists, I believed were much too serious to live sane and normal lives. Driven by inexorable forces in an uncaring world, they were destined for an inevitable, sometimes deadly, but always ennobling wrestle with gloom and doom.”

The ennobling wrestle with gloom and doom! That does have a seductive sound to it, particularly

for those of us who fancy ourselves as artistic, intellectual, or spiritual. That’s why, on a given day, any of us can feel a certain condescending pity for those who can achieve simple happiness. Easy for them, we think, but they’re selling themselves short. That’s the artist inside of us speaking. You never see an artist doing a laundry commercial!

Don’t get me wrong. There is some merit to this. Jesus, himself, said that we do not live by bread alone. No artist needs an explanation of what that means. He or she knows that what Jesus meant by that, among other things, is that simple routine and a mortgage that’s been paid do not necessarily make for heaven. We need bread, but we also need beauty and color. Doris Lessing, who was a great artist, joined the communist party as a young woman but she left after she’d matured. Why? One phrase says it all. She left the communist party, she says, “because they didn’t believe in color!” Life, Jesus assures us, is not meant to be lived simply as an endless cycle of rising, going off to work, responsibly doing a job, coming home, having supper, getting things set for the next day, and then going back to bed.

And yet, and yet, there’s much to be said for seemingly dram routine. The rhythm of the ordinary is, in the end, the deepest wellsprings from which to draw joy and meaning. Kathleen Norris, after telling us about her youthful temptation to sidestep the ordinary to engage in the more ennobling battle with gloom and doom, shares how a wonderful mentor, Betty Kray, helped steer her clear of that pitfall. Kray encouraged her to write out of her joy as well as her gloom. As Norris puts it: “She tried hard to convince me of what her friends who had been institutionalized for madness knew all too well: that *the clean simple appreciation of ordinary, daily things, is a treasure like none on earth.*”

Sometimes it takes an illness to teach us that. When we regain health and energy after having been ill, off work, and out of our normal routines and rhythms, nothing is as sweet as returning to the ordinary – our work, our routine, the normal stuff of everyday life. Only after it has been taken away and then given back, do we realize that the clean simple appreciation of daily things is the ultimate treasure.

Artists, however, are still partially right. The ordinary can weigh us down and keep us outside the deeper waters of creativity, outside that one-in-a-million romance, and outside of the wildness that lets us dance. However, that being admitted, the ordinary is what keeps us from being swept away. The rhythm of the ordinary anchors our sanity.

Paul Simon, in an old 1970s song entitled, *An American Tune*, sings about coping with confusion, mistakes, betrayal, and other events that shatter our peace. He ends a rather sad ballad quite peacefully with these words: “Still tomorrow’s gonna be another working day, and I’m trying to get some rest. That’s all I’m trying, is to get some rest.”

Sometimes obedience to that imperative is what saves our sanity. There’s a lot to be said for being a contented, little person, anchored in the rhythms of the ordinary, and perhaps even doing laundry commercials.

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



WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

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CHILD PROTECTION

We are a Child Safe Organisation which is committed to the care, well-being and protection of children and young people.

We believe that all God's children and young people 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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DID YOU KNOW?

- Parables are very short stories with a double meaning. They act like metaphors and can be interpreted very broadly. To understand the parables of Jesus we must be attentive to both the literal and metaphorical language used.
- The nearness of the kingdom (or reign) of God is the central plank of the teaching of Jesus in Mark's Gospel.
- The term 'kingdom of God' occurs only in the New Testament but similar expressions are found in the Old Testament. It refers to a time when God's will would be done on Earth.
- Matthew uses the term 'kingdom of heaven' as a way of avoiding the use of the sacred name of God.

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starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

LISTENING TO TREES

If you ever wanted to reduce the teachings of Jesus to a single theme, you might not do better than to focus on the kingdom of God. "The kingdom" isn't a fairytale place of castles and royal courts. The reign of God, as some translators phrase it, is a matter of allegiance more than geography. We don't move to "kingdom come" when we die. We reside there in the here and now if we choose God's way over our way in every decision.

Jesus compares the kingdom to a tiny seed hidden in the ground small, obscure, seemingly without relationship to anything but its secret self. But kingdom seed will emerge to become its own universe of roots and branches, connecting earth and sky and all of life together. What seemed irrelevant becomes paramount. What was unseen emerges as dominant against the horizon. It is so impossible to imagine that one day, everything we can hold in our hands will become worthless? And that invisible things like truth, goodness, faith, love, hope and justice will become the only things that matter?

How do you invest in the kingdom today? What seeds are you sowing now for the harvest to come?

THANKS, DAD

I distinctly recall the day when my faith took firm hold. I was 7 years old and my sisters and I had just been

summoned by my dad to join him and mum around the kitchen table. It was late in the evening. Dad had been working late at the office. Sometimes when he came home late he'd have a packet of chocolate biscuits or a bag of lollies to share with us, but this night he just wanted to talk.

"Children," he said, "I know you're excited about Christmas, but I want to make sure you understand what it all means. I've been thinking about this a lot, and I just want to make sure you get it. God chose to come to earth as a baby – a tiny newborn baby – not a king, not some mighty warrior who would force us to do God's will. No, God chose to come to us as a helpless, needy babe, swaddled and cuddled by his mother and watched over by his father.

"Just think about what that says about who God is: God is a God of love and peace; of tenderness and care. That's the God we believe in. That's the God you want to follow."

And thus my father, like Jesus, spoke in words we could understand, scattered the seeds of faith and watched it grow in his children. Thanks, Dad, for the most memorable sermon on the Incarnation I've ever heard. Thanks Mum and Dad for sharing a living faith with us.

GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(17 - 23 June)

- **Monday, 17:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (1Kg 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42)
- **Tuesday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (1Kg 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48)
- **Wednesday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (2Kg 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18)
- **Thursday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 11 (Sirach 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15)
- **Friday, 21:** St Aloysius Gonzaga (2Kg 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Mt 6:19-23)
- **Saturday, 22:** Sts John Fisher and Thomas More (2Chr 24:17-25; Mt 6:24-34)
- **Sunday 23:** 12th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Job 38:1, 8-11; 2Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41)

PASTORAL CARE

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