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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

Daniel 12:1-13

‘At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:5, 8-11

Keep me safe, O God;

you are my hope.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 10:11-14,18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at

the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Be watchful, pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand
before the Son of Man. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven. ‘Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. (Continued page 4)



Bulletin Board

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Healing list: Sue Semler, Brianna Chudlee, Peter Weatherstone, John Slagter, Annette Roestenburg, Michelle Glynn, Elijah Laundry, Rebecca Semler, Simon Laundry, Chris Hurst

November anniversaries: Jim Airtton, Francis E Bannan, Vic Banner, Clorice Bates, Toni Berden, Leon Bourke, Imogen Brinkley, Harold Burgess, Donald Chalmers, Tim Clark, Evelyn Drane, Roy Gatton, John and Dien Hendrix, Carmel Higgins, Agnes Hughes, Margaret Hughes, Peggy Imboden, Andrew Kelly, Thomas Lydon, John McDonald, Colleen Moore, Roger Pahl, Teresa Paniza, Sam Perkins, Roy Rayson, Helen Redden, Patricia Ross, Harold Semler, Marie Slagter, Pat Smith, Graham Turner, Gwen 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

	Reader	Prayers	Cleaning
17/11	70 th Celebration of KI	A Bevan	
24/11	A Clark	K Hammat	A Bevan

PRIEST ROSTER

17/11	Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, Fr Lancy D'Silva and others
24/11	Fr Matthew Newman



KANGAROO ISLAND CATHOLIC PARISH 70th Anniversary

This weekend we welcome Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, Mons Ian Dempsey, Fr Lancy D'Silva, Fr George Nader, Fr Leon Czechowicz and other visitors here to help us celebrate 70 years of the Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish.

Please join us for the celebrations beginning with Mass at 9.30am.

Archbishop Patrick O'Regan will be the main celebrant.

Mass will be followed by lunch at 12.00pm at the Kingscote Lions Hall. Peter Clark, Chairperson of the Parish Council, will welcome guests, Helen Mumford is launching a book of stories of past and present parishioners and priests and the Archbishop will say grace.

This will be a lovely time to reminisce about times gone by and catch up with friends.

Please email Helen Mumford kimumford@bigpond.com or ring her on 0408 367 009 to advise if you can attend.

The book (\$30) and commemorative mugs (\$20 large/\$15 regular) will be for sale at the lunch event (cash only sales)

Looking forward to seeing you there.



Invites you to an interactive forum

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO LOVE LIFE?

with Mrs Jodie Pickard
Founding Director of
Walk for Life and Love Australia

Wednesday, 27 November
6.00pm - 7.30pm
Adelaide Cathedral Hall
(Free parking)

For further information contact:
Justice, Healing and Inclusion Team
jhi@adelaide.catholic.org.au

YOU CAN SUPPORT THE 2025 NATIONAL DEACONS CONFERENCE!

Would you like to support the deacons of South Australia and Northern Territory, chosen to host the 2025 National Deacons Conference early next year (Hahndorf, 27 February – 2 March 2025)? Deacons of the SA/NT region represent 10% of deacons in Australia (200). Each biennial National Deacons Conference is locally funded, relying entirely on nationwide registrations and generous local sponsors. Deacons (often married men) are the fastest growing ordained ministry worldwide and can

be the face of creative ways in which the Spirit moves within the Church and community.

Your personal financial support of the Conference will be greatly valued. To donate today (whether \$200, \$100, or any amount), please contact the Events Office via caaevents@adelaide.catholic.org.au or 8210 8220 by Monday 18 November.

Deacon Paul Crowe

COMMISSIONING SERVICE

There will be a liturgy to celebrate the commissioning of Clare Bruce as the new Pastoral Care Worker for the Penneshaw campus of KICE.

The service will be held at 2.30pm on November 24, at the CWA Hall, Penneshaw. Afternoon tea will follow.

All are welcome, so please come along.

Inter-Church Committee

DATES 2024

13 Dec	Last day School term 4
25 Dec	Catholic Charities Appeal

2025

1 Jan	New Year's Day holiday
26 Jan	Australia Day holiday
28 Jan	First day, School term 1
5 Mar	Ash Wednesday
11 Mar	Adelaide Cup Day
13 Apr	Palm Sunday
17 Apr	Thursday of Lord's Supper
18 Apr	Good Friday
19 Apr	Holy Saturday
20 Apr	Easter Sunday
25 Apr	ANZAC Day





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

LIGHTER THOUGHTS ON A HEAVY SUBJECT

Some years ago, a friend was facing the birth of her first child. While happy that she was soon to be a mother, she confessed openly her fears about the actual birth process, the pain, the dangers, the unknown. But she consoled herself with the thought that hundreds of millions of women have experienced giving birth and managed it. Surely, she felt she could manage it too.

I sometimes take those words and apply them to the prospect of dying. Death is the most daunting, unsettling, and heaviest topic there is, our occasional false bravado notwithstanding. When we say that we are not afraid of dying, mostly we're whistling in the dark and, even there, the tune comes out easier when our own death remains still an abstract idea, something in the indefinite future. Full disclosure, my own thoughts about dying no doubt fit that description, whistling in the dark. But why not? Surely whistling in the dark is better than torturing ourselves with unnecessary fear.

And so, I employ my friend's methodology for steeling her courage in the face of having to give birth and face that unknown. Simply put, millions and millions of people have managed the process of dying, so I should be able to manage it too! Moreover, unlike giving birth to a child, which affects less than half the human race, in the case of dying, everyone, including myself, is going to have to manage it. A hundred years from now, everyone reading these words will have had to manage his or her death.

So, here's a way to look at our own death: Billions and billions of people have managed this, men, women, children, even babies. Some were old, some were young; some were prepared, some were not; some welcomed it, some met it with bitter resistance; some died from natural

causes, some died through violence; some died surrounded by love, some died alone without any human love surrounding them; some died peacefully, some died crying out in fear; some died at a ripe old age, some died in the prime of their youth; some suffered for years from a seemingly meaningless dementia with those around them wondering why God and nature seemed cruel in keeping them alive; others in robust physical health with seemingly everything to live for, took their own lives; some died full of faith and hope, and some died feeling only darkness and despair; some died breathing out gratitude, and some died breathing out resentment; some died in the embrace of religion and their churches, some died completely outside of that embrace; and some died like Mother Teresa, while others died like Hitler. But every one of them somehow managed it, the great unknown, the greatest of all unknowns. It seems it can be managed.

Moreover, nobody has come back from the other world with horror stories about dying which suggests that all our horror movies about being tormented after death and ghosts and haunted houses are pure fiction, through and through.

Most people, I suspect, have the same experience that I have when I think about the dead, particularly about persons I have known who have died. The initial grief and sadness of their loss eventually wears off and is replaced by an inchoate sense that it's alright, that they are alright, and that death has in some strange way washed things clean. In the end, we have a pretty good feeling about our dead loved ones and about the dead in general, even if their departure from this earth was far from ideal, as for instance if they died angry, or through immaturity, or because they committed a crime, or by suicide. Somehow it eventually all washes clean and what remains is the

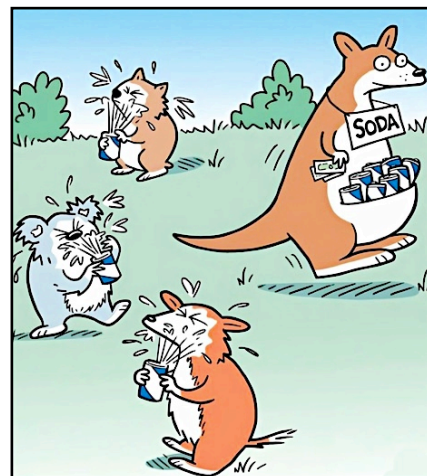
inchoate sense, a solid intuition, that wherever they are now, they are in better and safer hands than our own.

When I was a young seminarian we once had to translate Cicero's treatise on aging and dying from Latin into English. I was nineteen years old at the time, but was very taken by Cicero's thoughts on why we shouldn't fear death. He was a renowned stoic; but, in the end, his lack of fear of dying was a little like my friend's approach to giving birth, that is, given how universal it is, we should be able to manage it!

I've long since lost my undergraduate notes on Cicero, so I looked up the treatise on the Internet recently. Here's a nugget from that treatise: "Death should be held of no account! For clearly the impact of death is negligible if it utterly annihilates the soul, or even desirable, if it conducts the soul to some place where it is to live forever. What, then, shall I fear, if after death I am destined to be either not unhappy or happy?"

Our faith tells us that, given the love and benevolence of the God we believe in, only the second option, happiness, awaits us. And we already intuit that.

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

2nd Collection (Support for our Parish):
BSB 066-782
A/c No 100000067
Reference: Your name

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Priests and Parish Facilities.

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?

- The language which Jesus uses here to describe the end times is called 'apocalyptic'. Apocalyptic writing was very common and popular from about the second century before Jesus' birth through to the second century after his death. The Bible contains many examples of this apocalyptic style; for example, the Book of Revelation. It is a particular literary form with specialist rules for interpretation. It is perhaps the most misunderstood style of writing in the Scriptures. It is highly symbolic and should never be read literally.
- The first Christian communities believed that the end times and Christ's second coming were imminent. It was only after many years, when this did not eventuate, that the language of the second coming was tempered.

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So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

THE TIME OF DISTRESS

Jesus said, "Take a lesson from the fig tree. From the moment you notice its buds form, the merest hint of green, you know summer's just around the corner. And so it is with you. When you see all these things, you know he is at the door. Don't take this lightly. I'm not just saying this for some future generation, but for this one, too – these things will happen. Sky and earth will wear out; my words won't wear out." (Mark 13:28 - 31)

Some of us respond quicker to bad news than to good. That's how the news media manages to garner our attention. Dire headlines grab eyeballs. We're conditioned to respond to the bad, because the consequences of not responding can be costly.

Jesus does deliver some bad news in the gospels. Make no mistake: this world is passing, and it's all going away for each of us personally and for all creation eventually. We can't hang our hopes on the sun, moon, and stars, because even these mighty forces are mere creatures with built-in obsolescence. And if we're willing to hedge our bets about the end of the world, wagering that our time will not see the end-time, then we're still left to comfort our own mortality in the mirror every morning. Some days we may feel invincible, but you don't want to found your future on a feeling.

Because gospel means good news, the message can never end on a dire

note. Creation's last chapter is coming, but the words of Jesus belong to eternity. If we're looking for an escape route through inescapable death and destruction, Jesus is the door.

How do the words of Jesus bring new life to you? *GPBS eNews*

KIDS' CORNER

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer offering for sin. (Hebrews 10:18)

When we take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we tell Jesus our sins through the priest. When we come in sorrow for our sins and do the penance given to us by the priest, we are forgiven by God. Our sins are forgiven forever. They are gone. The weight is off our shoulders. Our job now is to avoid committing those sins again. God gives us graces in the sacrament to strengthen us, but it's still up to us to do the work.

Take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation whenever you can. It is God's loving way of helping you grow into the best person you can be.

Jesus, show me how to be more loving and forgiving. Amen.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(November 18 - 24)

- **Monday, 18:** Weekday, Ord Time 33 (Rev 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43)
- **Tuesday, 19:** Weekday, Ord Time 33 (Rev 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10)
- **Wednesday, 20:** Weekday, Ord Time 33 (Rev 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28)
- **Thursday, 21:** The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary (Rev 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44)
- **Friday, 22:** St Cecilia (Rev 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48)
- **Saturday, 23:** Weekday, Ord Time 33 (Rev 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40)
- **Sunday 24:** Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE (Dan 7:13-14; Rev 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37)

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