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PARISH NEWSLETTER

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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 9.30am



FIRST READING

Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 144:8-13

*I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.*

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is

the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. <R>

2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. <R>
3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. <R>

SECOND READING

Apocalypse 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

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Bulletin Board

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
18/05	K Hammatt	M Glynn	A Clark
25/05	S Semmler	L Grant	C Berden
01/06	P Clark	Wendy	C Berden
08/06	K Hammatt		C Berden

PRIEST ROSTER

18 May	Liturgy
25 May	Fr Lancy D'Silva
01 Jun	TBA

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend (17/18 May) there will be a special collection for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. This appeal supports families and individuals in SA who are struggling financially and materially.

VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

A free workshop presented by the Pastoral Services Team on Tuesday June 17, from 7-9pm in the Cathedral Hall. Suitable for PPC members, parish priests, parish staff, and program coordinators in parishes. A practical workshop that explores best practices for recruiting and retaining volunteers within the life of the parish.

Join us online or in person, bookings essential. <https://www.trybooking.com/DBQMM>
For enquiries contact Community Life & Worship on 8210 8130 or worship@adelaide.catholic.org.au

COMMUNITY LIFE AND WORSHIP TEAM WORKSHOPS *Creating a welcoming Parish*

A free workshop presented by the Pastoral Services Team on Tuesday June 3, from 7.00 - 9.00pm in the Cathedral Hall. This workshop is suitable for PPC members, hospitality groups, priests, parish staff and anyone interested in providing a welcoming environment within their parish; providing practical strategies and tips in developing a welcoming parish to all who walk through its doors.

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CONGRATULATIONS FR ANTHONI ADIMAI

On the 25th Anniversary of his ordination this week.

KIDS' CORNER

Love one another! That's what Jesus came to tell us. But it's hard to love those who don't like us or those who hurt us in some way. What should we do then? What would Jesus want us to do? We can find the answer every time we look at the crucifix. Right before Jesus died on the Cross, he said, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" (Luke 23: 34).

Forgiveness means that we don't try to get even with those who hurt us. It doesn't mean we can't protect ourselves, but it does mean that we try to make peace whenever we can.



LIFE FM's BUDDY BLANKETS

Imagine having no place to go, nothing to keep you dry, and struggling to keep warm overnight this winter?

This is where YOU can help make a difference. When you finish using your foil chip packets, wash and dry them and leave them in the box at the back the Church. The silver lining in chip packets reflect body heat, creating a warm waterproof blanket that's easily folded to carry.

All buddy blankets made will be donated to provide relief from the cold this winter.

CALENDAR 2025

18 May	St Vincent de Paul Appeal
9 Jun	King's birthday holiday
29 Jun	Holy Father's Appeal
2 Jul	Last day School term 2
6 July	NATSICC Appeal
20 Jul	Stella Maris - Sea Sunday
21 Jul	First day School term 3
10 Aug	Vocations Appeal
26 Sep	Last day School term 3
6 Oct	Labour day holiday
13 Oct	First day School term 4
12 Dec	Last day School term 4





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

FAITH – BEYOND THE HEAD AND THE HEART

C.S. Lewis, one of the great Christian apologists, didn't become a Christian without resistance and struggle. He grew into adulthood nursing a certain skepticism and agnosticism. He wasn't drawn naturally to faith or to Christ. But he was always radically honest in trying to listen to the deepest voices inside and at a certain point he came to the realization that Christ and his teaching were compelling in such a way that left him unfree. In conscience he had to become a Christian.

Many of us are familiar with the words he wrote on the night when he first knelt down and gave himself over to faith in Christ. Having just come back from a long walk and a religious discussion with J.R.R. Tolkien (who was his colleague at Oxford) he describes how he knelt down and committed himself to faith in Christ. But, by his own admission, this wasn't an easy genuflection: I knelt down as the most reluctant convert in the history of Christendom. Wow! Not exactly what we take for first fervor.

But he goes on to describe why, despite all his natural reluctance, he became a convert: Because I had come to realize that the harshness of God is kinder than the softness of man, and God's compulsion is our liberation. What is God's compulsion?

Here's an example. There's a famous incident in the Gospel of John where Peter, like C.S. Lewis, is also a reluctant convert. This is the story.

Jesus had just identified himself with the Bread of Life and ended that teaching by saying that unless we eat his body and drink his blood we cannot have life in us.

Understandably this was both confusing and perplexing to his audience, so perplexing in fact that the Gospels tell us that the crowds all walked away, saying this is an intolerable teaching. Then, when the crowds had gone, Jesus turned to his disciples and asked them: Do want to walk away too? Peter was not exactly enthusiastic and affirmative in his answer. He responded by saying, "We have no other place to go." However (and this is one of Peter's shining moments in the Gospels) he then adds: We know that you have the words of everlasting life.

When you parse out Peter's response, here's its substance. Peter has just heard a teaching that he doesn't understand and what he understands he doesn't like. At that moment, Jesus looks like the opposite of truth and life. Peter's head is resistant and so is his heart. But underneath both his head and his heart there is another part of Peter that knows that, irrespective of resistance of his head and his heart, this teaching will bring him life.

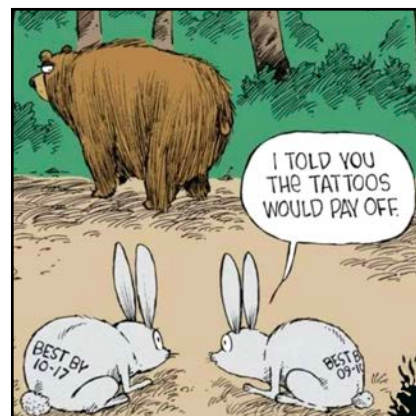
At that moment, like C.S. Lewis, Peter is a most reluctant Apostle. However, he still gives his life over to Christ, despite the resistance in his head and in his heart. Why? Because like C.S. Lewis, he had come to understand that God's compulsion is our liberation.

I remember once seeing an interview with Daniel Berrigan. The host asked him, "Father, where does your faith lie? Is it in your head or in your heart?" Berrigan's response was both colorful and insightful: "Faith is rarely where your head is at, and faith even less rarely where your heart is at. Faith is where your ass is at." By way of commentary, he added: "Anyone who has ever been in a commitment over a long period of time knows that there will be times and seasons when your head

isn't in it, your heart isn't in it, but you're in it because you know that the path to life for you lies in staying inside that commitment."

What ultimately do we trust enough to give our lives over to? I believe we need to answer that question not with heads nor with our hearts. It's not that our heads and our hearts are untrustworthy in themselves, it's just as we know from experience, they don't always speak for what's deepest inside us. God's compulsion sits below our thinking and our feeling. Our heads tell us what we think is wise to do. Our hearts tell us what we would like to do. But a deeper voice in us tells us what we have to do.

The deepest voice of God inside us isn't always at ease with our head or our heart. That voice is God's compulsion inside us and it can make us the most reluctant convert in the history of Christianity, it can have us standing before Jesus telling him that he looks the opposite of truth and life, it can have us looking with utter disillusion at the seemingly chronic infidelity of our churches, and still have us say, we have no other place to go. You have the words of everlasting life. Doubt, disillusionment, and lack of understanding aren't virtues, but they can push us to a place where we have to decide before what ultimately we need to genuflect.



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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GOSPEL REFLECTION

John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another. This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: "See how they love one another." Christian love is the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others. *Loyola Press*

DID YOU KNOW?

- The title 'Son of Man' is one that is often used by Jesus in the gospels to describe himself.
- In the Gospel of John, when Jesus speaks of being glorified or exalted, he is referring to his death on the cross. For John, this is the moment of supreme triumph for Jesus.

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Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified.

If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

'My little children, I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

In the ironic way of the kingdom, things are not what they appear to be. Humiliation is about to become majesty. The king will be treated like a criminal, put to death in the manner fit for slaves of the empire. Death is going to be transcended in resurrection. Everything will be gathered with its opposite as heaven and earth are reconciled on the cross.

In the face of all that is to come, Jesus issues a new commandment: "Love one another." Most commandments tell us precisely what to do, or not to do. "Love one another is not so explicit. It does not establish guidelines or set protocol. It calls us into a kind of relationship. It makes us responsible for one another.

In that sense, the love command calls us into community. We are commanded to do one thing only, to care for one another as Jesus cares for us. And if we do that one thing, it will be the only thing we need to do.

GPBS eNews

GO FORTH AMONG THE PEOPLE

When my niece was asked why she wanted to be confirmed in the Catholic faith, she answered: "Because God needs me." It wasn't the answer her class had prepared or the Catechism teaches. I am not even sure it is quite theologically sound: Does God need anyone? Nevertheless, I don't doubt that God relies on Hannah, who has Down syndrome, and others who don't meet society's standards of perfection to show us how woefully limited our perceptions of beauty, success, and happiness are.

When God chose to pitch a tent and dwell among us, God turned the world upside down and inside out. In an eternal chain of transformation, God makes all things new.

And that is where God's need for Hannah comes in. People feel drawn to Hannah because she walks through the world with a confidence that she is perfect in God's eyes. Instinctively, or more probably through the grace of God, she shows that, like God, it is good for her to pitch her tent and live among the rest of us. She is God's ambassador to the Kingdom where all you need is love. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(19 - 25 May)

- **Monday, 19:** Monday, 5th week of Easter (Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26)
- **Tuesday, 20:** Tuesday, 5th week of Easter (Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31)
- **Wednesday, 21:** Wednesday, 5th week of Easter (Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8)
- **Thursday, 22:** Thursday, 5th week of Easter (Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11)
- **Friday, 23:** Friday, 5th week of Easter (Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17)
- **Saturday, 24:** OUR LADY, HELP of CHRISTIANS (Gen 3:9-15,20; Lk 8:19-21)
- **Sunday 25:** SIXTH SUNDAY of EASTER (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Apoc 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29)

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