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(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

WEEKEND MASSES

Kingscote at 9.30am

CONFESSION

Kingscote at 9.00am
(prior to Mass)



FIRST READING

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt? David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off, No one saw, no one knew, no one work up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of

the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 102:1-4,8,10,12-13

The Lord is kind and merciful.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven.

As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven.

And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

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Bulletin Board

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Bill Roestenburg, Peter Weatherstone, Maureen Slagter, Melanie Howson

Recently deceased: John Lavers

February anniversaries: Heather Barrett, Joan Marie Berden, Mary Clark, Phillip Deakin, Allice Ellick, Alfred Gray, Bernadette Hehir, Kenneth Howard, Ron King, Jamie Larcombe, Frank May, Tom Meaney, Allan Moray, Pat Pawelski, Horace Riley, Christopher Riley, Bert Willson. And all the faithful departed.

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
20/2	A Gibbs	P Bennett	A Clark
27/2	S Semler	P Clark	C Berden

Covid Marshal			
20/2	P Bennett	27/2	W Bennett

PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes

if something unforeseen crops up)

20/2	Fr My Tran
27/2	Fr Anthoni

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Prayers for Healing and Renewal gatherings in the Church - Thursdays at 9.00am

SPECIAL COLLECTION

A special collection will be taken up this weekend in support of the work undertaken by Birthline Pregnancy Support, Mothers without Medicare & Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc. The Day of the Unborn Child assists us to focus on those people in our families and communities who have experienced any sort of child-bearing loss, whether miscarriage, still-birth, the death of a baby soon after birth, or abortion.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL AND FINANCE COUNCIL

A combined PPC and PFC meeting will be held with Fr Anthoni after Mass next Sunday (27 February). If you have an item for the agenda, please contact Peter Clark.

BULLETIN

Wendy Bennett has very kindly agreed to take over the role of co-ordinating the weekly bulletin and commentator sheets for Masses. If you have any items you wish published, or read out in the notices at Mass, please text or email - Wendy (0475 894 755 or wendygbennett@icloud.com) Items need to be in by Tuesday evening each week.

Peter Clark

FROM FR ANTHONI

On behalf of Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish, I extend a warm welcome to all the families, friends, visitors and holiday makers.



In this Sunday's Gospel Acclamation, Christ gives us a new commandment: "Love one another just as I have loved you." "Love your enemies," he says in the Gospel Reading, "do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you."

We see an example of this in the First Reading: David spares King Saul, who, by all human standards, deserved to be killed. After David defeated Goliath, Saul, out of jealousy, twice tried to kill him with a spear; he stationed him in his army so that the Philistines could kill him; he attacked him in his own house; and he put the entire priestly city of Nob to the sword in order to find him.

At the heart of the teachings of Jesus that we hear today are two teachings that are so important in our lives: forgiveness and acceptance of mistreatment. Jesus tells us "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." These teachings are so against our modern ways of thinking! Yes, these same teachings would revolutionise our present world if we all live them.

In the year of Mercy, Pope Francis wished that we all be steeped in mercy, so that we can go out to every man and woman, bringing the goodness and tenderness of God. This Gospel assumes that we are part of a community that supports and encourages one another. As we all know, many of our communities,

whether they be churches or countries or cities or families, are badly broken. Because of the brokenness, we can become cynical about the possibility of believing God's Word. Jesus knew that His communities were severely broken and knew that His task was to be an example of charity and love toward all, not just some.

Brokenness within our communities can cause deep insecurity and tempt us to move in the direction of seeking security in things that don't last. Our security will never come from proving ourselves right and someone else wrong. Our security will never come from the amount of power we accumulate or the level of success that we attain. Our security will never come from our possessions or even our popularity. Our security is living the Beatitudes that we reflected on the last weekend.

Fr Anthoni



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Now that restrictions on international travel are starting to ease, Palms Global Mission is redoubling its efforts to respond to overseas communities' requests to assist them through skills exchange. Those considering a Global Mission placement can be advised of the following support:

- The Archdiocese will support the preparation costs of participants at Palms' Orientation Courses and a re-entry weekend on their return from mission placement.
- Catholic Bishops support a Lay Missionary Gratuity Fund that provides a payment of \$2500 for each year one is on this mission.
- Palms negotiations with Catholic schools assures great support and benefits for teachers giving up to two years for this mission. Teachers should talk with Palms about the details.

For more information, visit www.palms.org.au/current-opportunities/

SYNOD OF BISHOPS LOCAL CONSULTATION

Hundreds of groups and individuals across the country have shared their stories about how all members of the Catholic Church can walk together to carry out our mission as Christians. Have you?

The local consultation process for the global Synod on Synodality is open for two more weeks – until Sunday February 27. Join with family, friends, parishioners or participate yourself. Find out more at:

www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch

JAMBEROO ABBEY ONLINE LENTEN RETREAT

with Sr Antonia Curtis

High Horses, Scapegoats & Donkeys

This retreat takes us into the realm of tears, the tears of compunction that St Benedict talks about in his chapter on Reverence in Prayer (RB 20). It is a calling forth of ourselves to a new and more authentic living; a dive into the deep; a naming of the truth of who we are before God. It is not a fear based compunction that we will enter into, but rather a compunction based on a deep desire to be in oneness with God.

The Retreat begins on the first Sunday of Lent (March 6). There are five conferences - one for each week of Lent. The cost is \$250 (pensioners can apply for a reduced price). More details available on the notice board, or go to: jamberoobbey.org.au/retreats/online-retreats

HIGHER STANDARDS

“Be nice to Brenda,” the grownups said. Then they left us alone in the yard together. At the age of seven, the idea of being nice to Brenda was nauseating to me. Brenda was the antithesis of the girl I was. She never got dirty. She wore pink ankle socks. She had naturally curly hair that never mussed and an annoying little yappy dog. No matter what sort of play I suggested, she always backed off in horror saying, “I can’t do that”. Brenda was a complete mess.

What Jesus asks us to do goes far beyond being nice to Brenda. We aren’t asked to merely tolerate our enemies, to make nice with them under mandatory social situations. We’re asked to take them into our hearts, to make room for them in our prayers, to offer them kindness for unkindness. We have to open our minds and change our hearts in regard to them. And the yappy dog too. We



Ron Rolheiser column

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FAITH’S DARKNESS

Why does God stay hidden? Why doesn’t God reveal himself so concretely and physically that no one could doubt his existence?

I like Karl Rahner’s perspective on this. God isn’t hidden, he says, we just don’t have the eyes to see God because our eyes aren’t attuned to that kind of reality.

We struggle with doubt because we can’t picture God’s existence, imagine God’s reality, or feel God’s presence in our normal ways. At a certain point, our minds, imaginations, and hearts simply run out of gas, out of room, out of feeling, and leave us dry, unable to nail down the reality of God the way we’re used to nailing down most everything else. The reality of God is elusive to our conscious minds and hearts because we can’t picture, imagine, or feel God in the usual way we do these things.

Rahner’s insight provides a clue: We struggle with faith because the world is not God, and we can’t walk around the landscape of spirit in the same way as we stroll around in this world. Why not? Precisely because God and the other world are spirit and we are being invited into a reality whose

hugeness is beyond conception, whose silence is beyond language, and whose reality is beyond the physical and all that we can see, touch, taste, smell, and feel in the normal way. God is life, light, love, energy, vastness, and simplicity beyond our categories. God has a different metaphysics.

Thus, it’s easy to have doubts about God’s existence, and not just if we are young and still over-enthralled by the reality of this world, its stunning beauty, the promises it dangles before us, and its overpowering physical character. In a world where the physical defines everything, it can be difficult to believe in anything else.

But that struggle, ironically, also afflicts those who are mature in faith, in a more painful way in fact. It was Jesus, after all, not some wayward youth who cried out: “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me!”

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

love our enemies because the act of loving transforms us and could transform them too. It’s the only thing that can. The only acceptable enemy in the reign of God is no enemy at all.

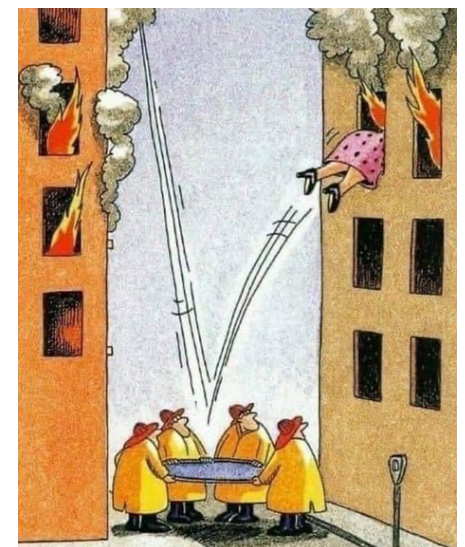
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Try to remember - the greener grass on the other side of the fence may be due to a septic tank issue.



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 16 February, 2022)

- Places of Worship are restricted to 3:4 sqm with social distancing of 1.5ms. A change in wording means that a wedding and funeral (previously viewed as a private activity) is taken to mean a defined public activity (in our circumstance a ceremony: religious/faith-based ceremony) and the 3:4sqm applies.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (An official medical certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Social distancing is mandatory - DO NOT CONGREGATE at entry/exit and outside. No communal gathering after Mass.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log - both located at the entrance to the Church
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- 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 vaccination for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage. You may wish to access:
[Mass for You at Home – The official website of Mass For You At Home, Australia](#) online and on Channel 10 every Sunday at 6 am.

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GOSPEL

Luke 6:27–38

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.’

EXPLORING THE WORD

In last week’s gospel, the disciples learned that to be a faithful follower of Jesus, they must be committed to a new order. This week’s text tells them how they must live in that new order; in a sense it provides the practical details. What Jesus is suggesting should not be confused with passivity or simply inaction or resignation in the face of persecution and injustice. Quite the contrary! What Jesus is suggesting is radical action. It demands that we act towards others without being asked, that believers offer friendship and pardon constantly, without asking or hoping

for anything in return. In Jesus we find God’s self-revelation, God’s actions in and for the world, his plan for salvation and its fulfilment. Followers of Jesus must act in these ways precisely because they are the ways of God.

- Turn the other cheek; love your enemies; do good to those who hurt you! Why should we? How can we? How challenging do you find this directive?

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

This text follows immediately on from the Beatitudes of last week’s gospel. It continues the theme of the radical reversal called for by the gospel. What the world considers as human nature and a natural response is not the way of the disciples of Jesus, who follow a different world order. They must act and respond in a certain way because that is the way of God!

DID YOU KNOW?

Today’s gospel contains the most challenging of all the Christian commandments and probably the most difficult to keep: love your enemies and do good to those who hurt you.



THIS WEEK’S READINGS

(21 - 27 February)

- **Monday, 21:** Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29)
- **Tuesday, 22:** The Chair of St Peter, (1 Pet 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19)
- **Wednesday, 23:** St Polycarp, (James 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40)
- **Thursday, 24:** Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50)
- **Friday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12)
- **Saturday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 7 (James 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16)
- **Sunday, 27:** 8th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Sirach 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45)



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