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### PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

## CHILD PROTECTION

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

Mrs Helen Mumford

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## 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

*Isaiah 66:18-21*

The Lord says this: I am coming to  
gather the nations of every language.  
They shall come to witness my  
glory. I will give them a sign and  
send some of their survivors to the  
nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud,  
Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to  
the distant islands that have never  
heard of me or seen my glory. They  
will proclaim my glory to the  
nations. As an offering to the Lord  
they will bring all your brothers, on  
horses, in chariots, in litters, on  
mules, on dromedaries, from all the  
nations to my holy mountain in  
Jerusalem, says the Lord, like  
Israelites bringing oblations in clean  
vessels to the Temple of the Lord.  
And of some of them I will make  
priests and Levites, says the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalms 116:1-2*

*Go out to all the world;  
and tell the Good News.*

## SECOND READING

*Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13*

Have you forgotten that encouraging  
text in which you are addressed as  
sons? My son, when the Lord  
corrects you, do not treat it lightly;  
but do not get discouraged when he  
reprimands you. For the Lord trains  
the ones that he loves and he  
punishes all those that he  
acknowledges as his sons.

Suffering is part of your training;  
God is treating you as his sons. Has  
there ever been any son whose father  
did not train him? Of course, any  
punishment is most painful at the  
time, and far from pleasant; but later,  
in those on whom it has been used, it  
bears fruit in peace and goodness. So  
hold up your limp arms and steady  
your trembling knees and smooth  
out the path you tread; then the  
injured limb will not be wrenched, it  
will grow strong again.

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# Bulletin Board

## PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Sue Semmler, Stephanie Langridge, Joelle Davidson and Carmel Northcott

**August anniversaries:** Mary Banner, Joyce Bowbridge, Jimmy Browne, Steven Browne, Terence Browne, David Buick, Irene Darcy, Don Christie, John Commerford, David Cooper, Allan Forst, Paul Glynn Jr, Henry Hughes, Annemie Huys, Mary Kildea, Hazel Keitel, Daniel Lydon, Dot May, John Mertens, Rebecca Murch, Lorna Murphy, Winifred O'Daly, Margaret Rich, Joseph Ryan, Simon Slagter, Chris Slattery, Kathy Slotegraaf, Florence Tabor, Bracken Walker, Bill Willson, Owen Willson.

**Special prayers** for Bill Roestenburg for a grace-filled transition and for Annette, his wife.

*Please pray for all the faithful departed and all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends.*

## PARISH ROSTERS

	Comm	Reader	Cleaning
21/8	L Grant	S Semler	A Bevan
28/8	M Glynn	M Slagter	H Mumford

## PRIEST ROSTER

*(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops up)*  
21/8 TBA

## COVID RESTRICTIONS

For the latest Archdiocesan restrictions please see page 4 of this bulletin. Masks are recommended.

## 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:  
BSB 085 005  
A/c No 585353994  
Reference: K Island or 765

2nd Collection:  
BSB 085 005  
A/c No 918111484  
Reference: Your name

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

## FATHERS' DAY RAFFLE

Fathers' Day raffle tickets are now on sale.

## CUPPA AFTER MASS

Please join us for a cup of tea or coffee after Mass today. Everyone most welcome.

## BLESSING OF SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

After a very successful and positive response in 2021, it has been decided that the celebration for Wedding Anniversaries in the Archdiocese will continue to be held in local communities to recognise couples in their life-long commitment.

If you, or someone you know, is celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year (10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 and 60 years), we invite you to let Peter Clark know of the details so they may be acknowledged at the Anniversaries Mass on the weekend of Sunday 18 September.

## DEALING WITH HURT AND DISAPPOINTMENT

Some time ago, I went to a wake service for a friend.

For his vigil service, his family had prepared a wonderful collage of photographs of him in various, mostly happy, poses. One photo triggered a strong reaction in me. It was a picture of the deceased man holding his grandchild and beaming with a pride, joy, and happiness that can only come from holding your own grandchild.

I was unexpectedly stung to the quick, knowing that as a celibate I would never know that deep, holy, unadulterated joy, that there would never be a photo of me looking like that, that my face would never radiate that particular kind of happiness and pride, and that one of the deepest, holiest experiences given in this life would never be mine.

I was suddenly very sad and as I walked out of church, mostly ignoring friends around me, everything inside of me was drawn towards coldness, bitterness, anger at my loss, jealousy of others, and frustration at my choices in life. I also felt fiercely restless. I tried eating, phoning friends, taking a walk, but nothing helped until I finally sat down to pray. Tears began to flow, and I began a free

fall, literally, into my own chaos, brokenness, inadequacies, restlessness, and pathologies. It's not pleasant, but scary, to enter your own brokenness, into all those places that you've denied exist inside of you.

I felt scared, but strangely at peace, and the feelings I had then, while still painful, were no longer cold or hard because when we cry we learn that salvation lies not in our capacity to be strong enough never to be broken, but in the opposite, namely, in a surrender in helplessness to a God who can fill in all those places where we are helpless, lost, jealous, restless, and broken.

G.K. Chesterton said "The person who doesn't have a softening of the heart, will eventually have a softening of the head." He's right.

*Ronald Rolheiser*

## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE AND TRIBUTE TO THE VICTIMS OF TERRORISM HISTORY

*Sunday, August 21*

International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism is an observance sponsored by the United Nations. The day honors all victims of terrorism and emphasizes that these victims should have more attention. The UN states that victims of terrorism are often forgotten or not heard by the community. The organization aims to increase action and awareness towards addressing the needs of these victims. The observance occurs every year on August 21.





## 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

### A LESSON IN AGING

We live in a culture that idealizes youth and marginalizes the old. And, as James Hillman says, the old don't let go easily either of the throne or the drive that took them there. I know; I'm aging.

For most of my life, I've been able to think of myself as young. Because I was born late in the year, October, I was always younger than most of my classmates, graduated from high school at age seventeen, entered the seminary at that tender age, was ordained to the priesthood at age twenty-five, did an advanced degree within the next year, and was teaching graduate theology at age twenty-six, the youngest member on the faculty. I was proud of that, achieving those things so early. And so I always thought of myself as young, even as the years piled up and my body began to betray my conception of myself as young.

Moreover, for most of those years, I tried to stay young too in soul, staying on top of what was shaping youth culture, its movies, its popular songs, its lingo. During my years in seminary and for a good number of years after ordination, I was involved in youth ministry, helping give youth retreats in various high schools and colleges. At that time, I could name all the popular songs, movies, and trends, speak youth's language, and I prided myself in being young.

But nature offers no exemptions. Nobody stays young forever. Moreover, aging doesn't normally announce its arrival. You're mostly blind to it until one day you see yourself in a mirror, see a recent photo of yourself, or get a diagnosis from your doctor and suddenly you're hit on the head with the unwelcome realization that you're no longer a young person. That usually comes as a surprise. Aging generally makes itself known in

ways that have you denying it, fighting it, and accepting it only piecemeal, and with some bitterness.

But that day comes round for everyone when you're surprised, stunned, that what you are seeing in the mirror is so different from how you have been imagining yourself and you ask yourself: "Is this really me? Am I this old person? Is this what I look like?" Moreover you begin to notice that young people are forming their circles away from you, that they're more interested in their own kind, which doesn't include you, and you look silly and out of place when you try to dress, act, and speak like they do. There comes a day when you have accept that you're no longer young in in the world's eyes – nor in your own.

Moreover gravity doesn't just affect your body, pulling things downward, so too for the soul. It's pulled downward along with the body, though aging means something very different here. The soul doesn't age, it matures. You can stay young in soul long after the body betrays you. Indeed we're meant to be always young in spirit.

Souls carry life differently than do bodies because bodies are built to eventually die. Inside of every living body the life-principle has an exit strategy. It has no such strategy inside a soul, only a strategy to deepen, grow richer, and more textured. Aging forces us, mostly against our will, to listen to our soul more deeply and more honestly so as to draw from its deeper wells and begin to make peace with its complexity, its shadow, and its deepest proclivities – and the aging of the body plays the key role in this. To employ a metaphor from James Hillman: *The best wines have to be aged in cracked old barrels.* So too for the soul: The aging process is designed by God and nature to force the soul, whether it wants to or not,

to delve ever deeper into the mystery of life, of community, of God, and of itself. Our souls don't age, like a wine, they mature, and so we can always be young in spirit. Our zest, our fire, our eagerness, our wit, our brightness, and our humor, are not meant to dim with age. Indeed, they're meant to be the very color of a mature soul.

So, in the end, aging is a gift, even if unwanted. Aging takes us to a deeper place, whether we want to go or not.

Like most everyone else, I still haven't made my full peace with this and would still like to think of myself as young. However I was particularly happy to celebrate my 70th birthday five years ago, not because I was happy to be that age, but because, after two serious bouts with cancer, I was very happy just to be alive and wise enough now to be a little grateful for what aging and a cancer diagnosis has taught me. There are certain secrets hidden from health, writes John Updike. True. And aging uncovers a lot of them because, as Swedish proverb puts it, "afternoon knows what the morning never suspected."

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



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## COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 18/08/22)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please follow the instructions as per SA Health in terms of contact tracing and isolating yourself as per government health protocols. Please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- The density requirement has been updated to full capacity in all churches and also includes funerals and weddings.
- Wearing of face-masks in Church is strongly recommended by the Archbishop.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home and not attend services.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact



**MASKS RECOMMENDED FOR EVERYONE**

**VACCINATED and UNVACCINATED**

### DID YOU KNOW?

This is a text about the universality of God's love and the redemption God offers. It is not limited to a particular group or nationality. It is open to all who respond positively.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Jn14:6**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

**Luke 13:22-30**

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

## EXPLORING THE WORD

As the chosen people, the Jews believed they were in a privileged relationship with God. In this text, Jesus shatters some illusions. There is no privileged or exclusive entry to the kingdom of God by those who see themselves as 'religious insiders'. This is equally directed to the disciples. It is not enough that they have shared a meal with Jesus or have heard his word. They must

respond to that word and act on it. They must enter by the narrow door, and this requires great effort, or else those who thought themselves 'inside' could find themselves 'outside', while others, 'the outsiders', will find their way ahead of them. This radical reversal of values and expectations would have shocked those who thought they were on the 'inside'.

## SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

One of the most common images of the kingdom of God is that of the feast or the banquet. A feast is not simply a meal; it is an abundant celebration of something wonderful, from which people draw nourishment, life and vitality. Such is the kingdom of God.

## SHARING THE TRADITION

Who will be saved? This is a difficult question. There is no doubt that God wants all people to be saved and that Jesus died to save all people.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, 'Believing in Jesus Christ and in the One who sent him for our salvation is necessary for that salvation'

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(22 - 28 August)

- **Monday, 22:** The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (2 Thess 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22)
- **Tuesday, 23:** Weekday, Ord Time 21 (2 Thess 2:1-3, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26)
- **Wednesday, 24:** St Bartholomew (Rev 21:9-14; Jn 1:45-51)
- **Thursday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 21 (1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51)
- **Friday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 21 (1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13)
- **Saturday, 27:** St Monica (1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30)
- **Sunday 28:** 22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24; Lk 14:1, 7-14)

## 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