



Welcome to

Kangaroo Island Catholic Community

(Part of the Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island Cluster of Catholic Parishes)

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CORONAVIRUS UPDATE
THERE WILL BE NO MASSES OR
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www.kicatholic.org.au/news.html

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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



FIRST READING

Acts 2:14, 22-33

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always,
for with him at my right hand nothing
can shake me. So my heart was glad
and my tongue cried out with joy; my
body, too, will rest in the hope that you
will not abandon my soul to Hades nor
allow your holy one to experience
corruption.

You have made known the way of life
to me, you will fill me with gladness
through your presence.

'Brothers, no one can deny that the
patriarch David himself is dead and
buried: his tomb is still with us. But
since he was a prophet, and knew that
God had sworn him an oath to make one
of his descendants succeed him on the
throne, what he foresaw and spoke about
was the resurrection of the Christ: he is
the one who was not abandoned to

Hades, and whose body did not
experience corruption. God raised this
man Jesus to life, and all of us are
witnesses to that. Now raised to the
heights by God's right hand, he has
received from the Father the Holy Spirit,
who was promised, and what you see
and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1:17-21

If you are acknowledging as your Father
one who has no favourites and judges
everyone according to what he has done,
you must be scrupulously careful as long
as you are living away from your home.
Remember, the ransom that was paid to
free you from the useless way of life
your ancestors handed down was not
paid in anything corruptible, neither in
silver nor gold, but in the precious blood
of a lamb without spot or stain, namely
Christ; who, though known since before
the world was made, has been revealed
only in our time, the end of the ages,
for your sake. Through him you now have
faith in God, who raised him from the
dead and gave him glory for that very
reason – so that you would have faith
and hope in God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us,
make our hearts burn with love when
you speak. Alleluia!*

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PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Mei Kuen Sexton, Fr Peter Milburn, Toni Langridge, Damian Baynes, Charles Gorman, Dalton Baynes, Roy Gatton

Recently deceased: Tony (Noxy) Clark

April anniversaries: Josephine Bannan, Ray Bannan, Elizabeth Black, Wilma Buick, Karen Cairney, Gwen Chalmers, Ambrose Clark, Robert Clark, Francis Clarke, Catherine Commerford, Sarah Cunningham, Jamie Larcombe, Jimmy Dow, Tate Furniss, Monika Gibbs, Mary O'Brien, Norah Ridge, Verna Trethewey, Beryl Williams, Albert Willson, Keith 'Hoppy' Willson, and all the faithful departed.

May all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ through our actions and His healing presence.

DIRECT PAYMENTS

If you prefer to organise your Church donations via bank transfer there are a couple of ways you can go about this.

1. If you bank online, you can set up periodic, direct payments yourself. Again, you will need to do this twice - once for the first collection and again for second.

Acc: Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish
BSB: 085-005
Acc No: 918 111 484
Ref: Your surname, initials and *First* or *General*

2. Periodic regular payments may also be organised with your bank. Take the account details (above) with you and bank staff can set it up for you.

NB: *First* collection is for the support of our Priests and *General* (second at our Masses) is for the support of our Parish.

If you wish to proceed and need more information or help, please contact Helen Mumford or Peter Clark.

I washed my hands so much due to COVID19, that my exam notes from 1995 resurfaced



ANZAC DAY

This year, no matter where you are, you can find Anzac Day coverage on ABC:

- 5.00am – Anzac Stories (ABCTV, iview)
- 5.30am: A live broadcast of the National Memorial Service from the Australian War Memorial on ABCTV, iview, Radio and online. This includes from around 6am, The Last Post and a minute of silence.
- 11.30am: Two-minute reflection which includes The Ode, The Last Post followed by a minute silence across ABCTV, iview, Radio and online.
- 6.55pm: The Governor-General, David Hurley Anzac Day message on ABCTV and Radio.

"DECADE A DAY IN MAY"

Pray a decade of the Rosary each day in May for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. When you sign up to the email list you'll receive a short reflection each day during May.

To subscribe go to:

vocationsadelaide.catholic.org.au

COVID-19 PHONE COUNSELLING

Now available by appointment

People struggling to cope with the chaos and fear surrounding COVID-19 can

now access free phone counselling by appointment from Centacare Catholic Family Services - 8215 6700.

SUNDAY LITURGY FOR FAMILIES

As a response to the COVID-19 situation while Masses have been suspended, the Family and Parish-Based Catechesis Office has prepared liturgies with a focus on children. Families can use these at home to reflect on the Gospel each Sunday. This can be found at this link on the Archdiocesan website: <http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/our-works-and-community/family-and-parish-based-catechesis/prayer-services>

MASSES FROM ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S CATHEDRAL

The Archdiocese is continuing to live stream daily Mass at midday and on Sundays at 10am from St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. These Masses can be viewed live and on demand at: www.adelaide.catholic.org.au.

For those without internet access, Sunday Mass is screened every week on Channel 10 at 6am.

The installation of Archbishop-designate Patrick O'Regan at 10.30am on Monday May 25 will also be live streamed.



Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide Apostolic Administrator

April 16, 2020

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

It is with great joy that we announce the Installation Ceremony for our incoming Archbishop Patrick O'Regan DD will take place in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral at 10.30am on Monday, May 25th, the Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia. Because of the circumstances around COVID-19, this will be a modified ceremony, and will involve simply the officiating clergy and attendants. Our plan is that when the restrictions and safety requirements around COVID-19 have eased, we will conduct a formal Liturgical Reception for the incoming Archbishop, hopefully associated with the Mass of Chrism.

Naturally, we regret the inability for this to be a large ceremony open to all members of the Archdiocese but everyone understands the reasons why this cannot be so. The quarantine restrictions also prevent the attendance of the Apostolic Nuncio and the President of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, and virtually any other bishop. If Archbishop Wilson is well enough, he will be present on the sanctuary. The presiding clergy will be Fr Philip Marshall as Vicar General, Fr Anthony Adimai as Cathedral Administrator, Monsignor Robert Rice as Senior Consultor, and myself, to whom the reading of the Bull of Appointment and the witnessing of the Profession of Faith and Oath of Fidelity of our new Archbishop has been delegated.

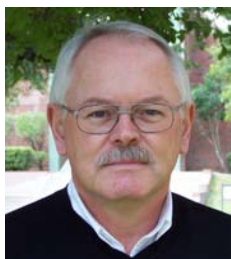
The event will be livestreamed, and hopefully numbers of you will be able to participate.

The news is a moment of joy and grace for the Archdiocese. Please include our incoming Archbishop in your prayers of hope and trust in the weeks ahead.

With every good wish and grace,

Yours in Christ,

+ Gregory O'Kelly SJ
Apostolic Administrator



Ron Rolheiser column

Ronald Rolheiser, a Roman Catholic priest and member of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, is president of the Oblate School of Theology in San Antonio, Texas. 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

CHURCHES AS FIELD HOSPITALS

Most of us are familiar with Pope Francis' comment that today the church needs to be a *field hospital*. What's implied here?

First, that right now the church is not a field hospital, or at least not much of one. Too many churches of all denominations see the world more as an opponent to be fought than as a battlefield strewn with wounded persons to whom they are called to minister. The churches today, in the words of Pope Francis, have often reversed an image in the *Book of Revelation* where Jesus stands outside the door knocking, trying to come in, to a situation where Jesus is knocking on the door from inside the church, trying to get out.

So how might our churches, our ecclesial communities, become field hospitals?

In a wonderfully provocative article in a recent issue of *America Magazine*, Czech spiritual writer, Tomas Halik, suggests that for our ecclesial communities to become "field hospitals" they must assume three roles:

- *A Diagnostic one* – wherein they identify the signs of the times
- *A Preventive one* – wherein they create an immune system in a world within which malignant viruses of fear, hatred, populism, and nationalism are tearing communities apart
- *A Convalescent one* – wherein they help the world overcome the traumas of the past through forgiveness.

How, concretely, might each of these be envisaged?

Our churches need to be *diagnostic*; they need to name the present moment in a prophetic way. But that calls for a courage that, right now, seems lacking, derailed by fear and ideology. Liberals and conservatives diagnose

the present moment in radically different ways, not because the facts aren't the same for both, but because each of them is seeing things through its own ideology. As well, at the end of the day, both camps seem too frightened to look at the hard issues square on, both afraid of what they might see.

To name just one issue that both seem afraid to look at with unblinking eyes: our rapidly emptying churches and the fact that so many of our own children are no longer going to church or identifying with a church.

Conservatives simplistically blame secularism, without ever really being willing to openly debate the various critiques of the churches coming from almost every part of society. Liberals, for their part, tend to simplistically blame conservative rigidity without really being open to courageously look at some of places within secularity where faith in a transcendent God and an incarnate Christ run antithetical to some of the cultural ethos and ideologies within secularity. Both sides, as is evident from their excessive defensiveness, seem afraid to look at all the issues.

What must we do *preventatively* to turn our churches into field hospitals? The image Halik proposes here is rich but is intelligible only within an understanding of the Body of Christ and an acceptance of the deep connection we have with each other inside the family of humanity. We are all one, one living organism, parts of a single body, so that, as with any living body, what any one part does, for disease or health, affects every other part. And the health of a body is contingent upon its immune system, upon those enzymes that roam throughout the body and kill off cancerous cells. Today our world is beset with cancerous cells of bitterness, hatred, lying, self-protecting fear, and tribalism of every kind. Our world is mortally ill; suffering from a cancer that's destroying community.

Hence our ecclesial communities must become places that generate the

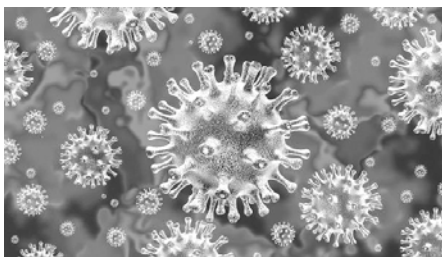
healthy enzymes that are needed to kill off those cancer cells. We must create an immune system robust enough to do this. And for that to happen, we must first, ourselves, stop being part of the cancer of hatred, lying, fear, opposition, and tribalism. Too often, we ourselves are the cancerous cells. The single biggest religious challenge facing us as ecclesial communities today is that of creating an immune system that's healthy and vigorous enough to help kill off the cancerous cells of hatred, fear, lying, and tribalism that float freely throughout the world.

Finally, our *convalescent* role: Our ecclesial communities need to help the world come to a deeper reconciliation vis-a-vis the traumas of the past. Happily, this is one of our strengths. Our churches are sanctuaries of forgiveness. In the words of Cardinal Francis George: "In society everything is permitted, but nothing is forgiven; in the church much is prohibited, but everything is forgiven." But where we need to be more proactive as sanctuaries of forgiveness today is in relation to a number of salient "traumas of the past". In brief, a deeper forgiveness, healing, and atonement still needs to take place apposite the world's history with colonization, slavery, the status of women, the torture and disappearance of peoples, the mistreatment of refugees, the perennial support of unjust regimes, and the atonement owed to mother earth herself. Our churches must lead this effort.

Our ecclesial communities as field hospitals can be the Galilee of today.

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

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WILLUNGA

St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street

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GOSPEL

Luke 24:13-35

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the

scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

FRIENDSHIP IN THE BREAD

Church people use a lot of religious language to describe what we believe in: salvation, resurrection, communion. But in our rituals, we use very familiar signs to explain what we mean by all this. Eucharist is one of these. Oh, for the pleasure of a meal with friends!

Friendship is a kind of sacrament all its own. We share histories with our friends. We tell the story of our lives and find common ground. And when we come together, we share food. The warmth and comfort of a meal reflects the nature of our relationship with one another. We celebrate the union of our hearts around the table.

In the unique gathering of our Eucharist, we also acknowledge the great story of God and our relationship with the Holy One through Jesus Christ. Our eyes are opened in this meal to recognise the common ground we hold with divinity: the reign of God itself. Our friendship with God through Christ is true yesterday, today, and forever. This is what our faith means. Everything we need to know about God is in this meal. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(27 April - 03 May)

- **Monday, 27:** Monday 3rd week Easter (Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29)
- **Tuesday, 28:** St Peter Chanel (Acts 7:51 - 8:1; Jn 6:30-35)
- **Wednesday, 29:** St Catherine of Siena (Acts 8:1-8; Jn 6:35-40)
- **Thursday, 30:** Thursday 3rd week Easter (Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51)
- **Friday, 01:** Friday 3rd week Easter (Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59)
- **Saturday, 02:** St Athanasius (Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69)
- **Sunday 03:** Fourth Sunday of Easter (Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1 Pet 2:20-25; Jn 10:1-10)

PASTORAL CARE

If you need a Priest for anointing of the sick or last rites contact: Noarlunga/Seaford (8382 1717), Willunga (0488 287 552), Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).