

Welcome to

# Kangaroo Island Catholic Community

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

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## KANGAROO ISLAND CATHOLIC PARISH

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

## MASS CENTRES

### • KINGSCOTE:

Our Lady of Perpetual Help,  
Cnr Giles/Todd Sts  
Sunday - 9.30am

### • PENNESHAW:

St Columba's Anglican Church,  
Cnr North Terrace and Fourth Street  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday - 3.15pm

## SPONSORSHIP

### KANGAROO ISLAND

TRANSFERS (0427 887 575)  
generously donate transport for  
our visiting Priests.

## CHILD PROTECTION

Child Protection Unit 8210 8159



## FIRST READING

*Isaiah 8:23-9:3*

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone.

You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase; they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils.

For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor – these you break as on the day of Midian.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 26:1, 4, 13-14*

*The Lord is my light and my salvation.*

## SECOND READING

*1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17*

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing

among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ.' Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Mt 4:23*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom, and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 4:12-23*

Hearing that John had been arrested, Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali.

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# Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish

## PARISH NOTICES

Next week: Mass Kingscote 9:30 AM  
Confession is available every Sunday 30 minutes before Mass.

Please remember in your prayers the Dunn family as they mourn the loss of Maureen, a beacon of faith and a grand servant of the Church on KI for many years.

### **Priest Roster:**

Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> Fr. Prathap  
Feb 8<sup>th</sup> – Mar 22<sup>nd</sup> Bishop Eugene Hurley

### **Mass Roster:**

<b>Today:</b>	<b>Next week:</b>
Readers: P Peries P Clark.	A Gibbs S Semler.
Gifts: Mumford family.	Berden family.
Sp. Min: G Glynn S Semler.	H Mumford M Slagter.
Cleaning / Coffee: A Clark.	A Clark.

### **Collections. 19<sup>th</sup> Jan.**

1<sup>st</sup> (Support of the Priests of the Archdiocese) **\$157.25**  
2<sup>nd</sup> (Upkeep of our parish programs & property) **\$394.50**

**Please pray for those who have died....** Maureen Dunn

### **JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

Eunice Airton, Eileen Bateman, Dorothy Brook, Monica Buick, May Cairney, Dominic Cash, Marlene Cummins, Pauline Deegan, Jim Dodgson, Lucy Edwards, Colin Fahey, Margaret Flemming, Ralph Florance, Catherine Glynn, Alec Goodwin, Edward Hughes, Ida Jackson, Christina James, Jack Kindellan, Ettie McDonald, Irene Northcott, Ottaviano Orsi, Marj Phillips, Una Reynolds, George Rowen, Ann Smith, Sheila Tabor, Lorraine Laher Storfer, Mary Weatherstone,... And all the faithful departed.

**Please pray for those who are sick.....**Sr. Carmel Clarke, Mei Kuen Sexton, Fr Peter Milburn, Toni Langridge, Damian Baynes, Charles Gorman, Dalton Baynes, Roy Gatton, .....May all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ through our actions and His healing presence.

*Please contact Peter Clark to have names entered. For privacy reasons permission is required before names are submitted for entry in this bulletin.*

### **Archdiocesan Events**

*For a full listing of events and activities being held across the Archdiocese, please visit:  
<http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/parishes-and-mass-times/newsletters-from-archbishop-s-office>*

### **Gospel Connections**

The story of the four fishermen is also our story. We too are called by Jesus to follow him. And Jesus does not wait until we are perfect. Does not wait until we have it all together and have all the answers. If he did, Christian life would be a bit boring. God calls us in the midst of our life. Whether we are priest or religious or layperson, married or single, young or old, or whatever. We are called to follow Jesus.

When Matthew tells us that Jesus went around teaching in the synagogues and proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people, we get some idea of what the Kingdom is all about.

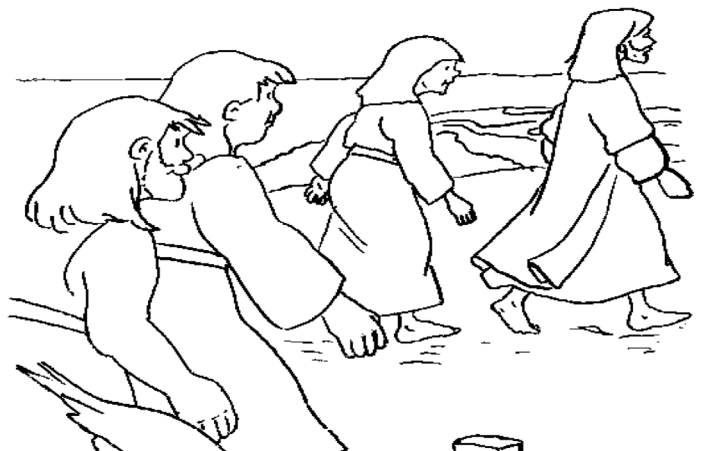
It is about the in-breaking of God's love into the world. It is about the overcoming of sin and death in all its forms. It is about the victory of God's steadfast and faithful love.

All of us share in bringing the Kingdom to birth in our time. For it is not just about preaching the Kingdom in words. We preach the Kingdom by what we do far more eloquently and powerfully than by any words which we may speak. And that is why bishops and priests are never the only players in the evangelisation stakes. All of us are called to proclaim the reign of God's love.

We do this when we hold out our hands to someone in need. We do this when we walk together with our brothers and sisters who may need a helping hand. We do this when others can see the face of Christ in us.

And when these things happen, as our Responsorial Psalm tells us: "we shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living."

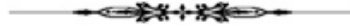
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## Ron Rolheiser column

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### INADEQUACY, HURT, AND RECONCILIATION

Even with the best intentions, even with no malice inside us, even when we are faithful, we sometimes cannot not hurt each other. Our human situation is simply too complex at times for us not to wound each other.

Here's an example: Soren Kierkegaard, who spent his whole life trying to be scrupulously faithful to what God was calling him to, once hurt a woman very deeply. As a young man, he had fallen in love with a woman, Regine, who, in return, loved him deeply. But as their marriage date approached, Kierkegaard was beset with an internal crisis, one both psychological and moral, within which he discerned that their marriage would, long range, be the cause for deep unhappiness for both of them and he called off the engagement. That decision hurt Regine, deeply and permanently. She never forgave him and he, for his part, was haunted for the rest of his life by the fact that he had hurt her so badly. Initially, he wrote her a number of letters trying to explain his decision and apologizing for hurting her, hoping for her understanding and forgiveness. Eventually, he gave up, even as he wrote page after page in his private journals second-guessing himself, castigating himself, and then, conversely, trying to justify himself again and again in his decision not to marry her.

Nearly ten years after that fateful decision, with Regine now married to someone else, he spent weeks trying to draft the right letter to her – asking for forgiveness, offering new explanations for his actions, and begging for another chance to talk with her. He struggled to find the right words, something that might bring about an understanding. He

finally settled on this letter:

*Cruel I was, that is true. Why? Indeed, you do not know that. Silent I have been, that is certain. Only God knows what I have suffered – may God grant that I do not, even now, speak too soon after all! Marry I could not. Even if you were still free, I could not. However, you have loved me, as I have you. I owe you much – and now you are married. All right, I offer you for the second time what I can and dare and ought to offer you: reconciliation. I do this in writing in order not to surprise or overwhelm you. Perhaps my personality did once have too strong an effect; that must not happen again. But for the sake of God in heaven, please give serious consideration to whether you dare become involved in this, and if so, whether you prefer to speak with me at once or would rather exchange some letters first. If the answer is 'No' – would you then please remember for the sake of a better world that I took this step as well. In any case, as in the beginning so until now, sincerely and completely.*

*Devotedly, your S.K.  
(Clare Carlisle,  
The Heart of a Philosopher,  
Penguin Book, c2019, p. 215)*

Well, the answer was “no”. He had enclosed his letter in another letter which he sent to her husband, asking him to decide whether or not to give it to his wife. It was returned unopened, accompanied by an angry note, his offer of reconciliation was bitterly rejected.

What's the moral here? Simply this: We hurt each other; sometimes through selfishness, sometimes through carelessness, sometimes through infidelity, sometimes through cruel intention, but sometimes too when there is no selfishness, no carelessness, no

betrayal, no cruelty of intention – but only the cruelty of circumstance, inadequacy, and human limit. We sometimes hurt each other as deeply through being faithful as through being unfaithful, albeit in a different way. But irrespective of whether there's moral fault, betrayal, or an intended cruelty, there's still deep hurt, sometimes so deep that, this side of eternity, no healing will take place.

Would that it be otherwise. Would that Kierkegaard could have explained himself so fully that Regine would have understood and forgiven him, would that each of us could explain ourselves so fully that we would be always understood and forgiven, and would that all of our lives could end like a warm-hearted movie where, before the closing credits, everything is understood and reconciled.

But that's not the way it always ends; indeed, that's not even the way it ended for Jesus. He died being looked at as a criminal, as a religious blasphemer, as someone who had done wrong. His offer of reconciliation was also returned unopened, accompanied by a bitter note.

I once visited a young man in who was dying of cancer at age 56. Already bedridden and in hospice care, but with his mind still clear, he shared this: “I am dying with this consolation: If I have an enemy in this world, I don't know who it is. I can't think of a single person that I need to be reconciled with.”

Few of us are that lucky. Most of us are still looking at some envelopes that have been returned unopened.

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



**REGULAR MASS TIMES IN  
OUR CLUSTER CHURCHES  
ALDINGA**

*Mary of Galilee, the First Disciple  
cnr Quinliven and How Roads*  
Saturday 5.30pm  
Tuesday 9.15am

**GOOLWA**

*St John the Apostle, 10-14 Gardiner St*  
Sunday 9.00am  
Wednesday 9.30am

**KINGSCOTE**

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help,  
cnr Todd and Giles Streets*  
Sunday 9.30am

**NOARLUNGA**

*St Luke, the Evangelist,  
cnr Honeypot Rd and Goldsmith Dve*  
Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.00am  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 11am (Spanish Mass)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 2.00pm (Filipino Mass)  
Sunday (Youth Mass) 5.30pm  
Monday 9.00am  
Tuesday 9.00am  
Wednesday 7.30pm  
Thursday 8.15am (St Luke's)  
Thursday 9.15am (St John's - term time)  
Friday 10.00am

**NORMANVILLE**

*St Peter, Cape Jervis Road*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday  
11.50am Adoration, 12.00 noon Mass

**PENNESHAW**

*St Columba, North Terrace  
(shared with Anglicans)*  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday 3.15pm

**SEAFORD**

*Seaford Ecumenical Mission,  
Grand Bvd*  
Sunday 10.45am  
Wednesday 9.15am

**VICTOR HARBOR**

*St Joan of Arc, 30 Seaview Road*  
Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 11.00am  
Tuesday 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am  
Friday 9.00am  
1<sup>st</sup> Friday Benediction following Mass

**WILLUNGA**

*St Joseph, 12 St Judes Street*  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays 10.30am  
Wednesday 9.00am  
Thursday 9.00am  
Friday 9.00am

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In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

‘Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali! Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan, Galilee of the nations! The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light; on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.’

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.’

As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, ‘Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.’ And they left their nets at once and followed him. Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him.

He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- When the people of Israel returned to the Promised Land after their liberation from Egypt, the land was divided among the twelve tribes descended from the twelve sons of Jacob. Zebulun and Naphtali were two of those sons.
- The town of Capernaum stood on the shores of the Sea of Galilee, on the border of the areas given to these two sons of Jacob.
- Matthew uses the term *kingdom of heaven* rather than *kingdom of*

*God.* This may have been because his audience is largely Jewish, and Jews avoided using the sacred name of God.

- This is another example of Matthew stating that, in Jesus, the Old Testament prophecies of the Messiah coming are fulfilled.

**EXPLORING THE WORD**

Today’s gospel reveals Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah’s prophecy. John the Baptist, the precursor, has now left the scene, having been arrested, so Jesus takes up and completes his message of repentance because the kingdom is at hand. In the final verses, the manifestation of that kingdom is made apparent. People are healed and the Good News is proclaimed. The second part of this text shows the effectiveness of Jesus’ message. His voice and his proclamation draw people from their labours to a new kind of work: cooperating in the task of drawing people to the truth of God’s plan for the world.

**THIS WEEK’S READINGS**

*(27 January - 02 February)*

- **Monday, 27:** Weekday Ord Time 3 (2 Sam 5:1-7, 10; Mk 3:22-30)
- **Tuesday, 28:** St Thomas Aquinas (2 Sam 6:12-15, 17-19; Mk 3:31-35)
- **Wednesday, 29:** Weekday Ord Time 3 (2Sam 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20)
- **Thursday, 30:** Weekday Ord Time 3 (2 Sam 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25)
- **Friday, 31:** St John Bosco (2 Sam 11:1-10, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34)
- **Saturday, 01:** Weekday Ord Time 3 (2Sam 12:1-7, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41)
- **Sunday 02:** PRESENTATION of the LORD (Malachi 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40)

**PASTORAL CARE**

If you (or someone you know) is house-bound, in hospital or in residential care and would appreciate a visit from a Priest or someone from the Parish, please let us know.  
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Victor Harbor/Goolwa (8552 1084), Kangaroo Island (0418 819 078).