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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

CONFESION

Kingscote at 9.00am
(prior to Mass)

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Prayers for Healing and Renewal in the Church - Thursdays at 9.30am.
All welcome.



FIRST READING

Isaiah 66:10-14

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord:
Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 65:1-7, 16, 20

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: How tremendous your deeds! <R>
2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your

name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. <R>

3. He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. <R>
4. Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul. Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me. <R>

SECOND READING

Galatians 6:14-18

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Col 3:15, 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

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Bulletin Board

KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Healing list: Sue Semler, Brianna Chudlee, Peter Weatherstone, Annette Roestenburg, Michelle Glynn, Rebecca Semler, Chris Heath, Simon Laundy, Josh Semler.

July anniversaries: Alma Adams, Eadie Adams, Sid Adams, Peg Anderson, Lill Buick, Phil Connell, John Connell, Henry Dravitzki, Leon Fahey, Paul Glynn, Joyce Grant, Mick Grant, Bill Higgins, Monica Hughes, Barry Jamieson, Judith Jeffs, Damian Howard, Leigh McDonald, Kym Moses, Cameron Muirhead, Ron Mumford, Alexander Nash, Alice O'Neill, Alice O'Driscoll, Jill Perkins, Charles Reynolds, Nora Ridge, Johnny Tully, John Walsh, Tony Walker, Robyn Williams.

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
06/07	P Bennett	M Glynn	A Bevan
13/07	A Clark	W Bennett	A Bevan
20/07	M Slagter	L Grant	C Brinkley

PRIEST ROSTER

06/07	Fr Lancy D'Silva
13/07	TBA

SCAM EMAIL WARNING

Church Office has had reports of scam emails purporting to be from Archbishop O'Regan and requesting a meeting with the recipient. These scam emails are coming from a 'gmail account' and are definitely NOT from the Archbishop. If you have any concerns, please check with Church Office on 08 8210 8210

BLESSING OF MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday September 21, 2025

Celebrations for milestone wedding anniversaries in the Archdiocese will again be held in local parish 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), please let the Parish Office know of the details, so they may be acknowledged at the Anniversaries Mass in September.

THE SOUTHERN CROSS

The July edition of The Southern Cross will be delivered to parishes this week, for distribution at weekend Masses. This month's edition has a centre-spread infographic on the 2026 Diocesan Synod and all the latest news from parishes and schools.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA

Appeals for support for amputees in Gaza

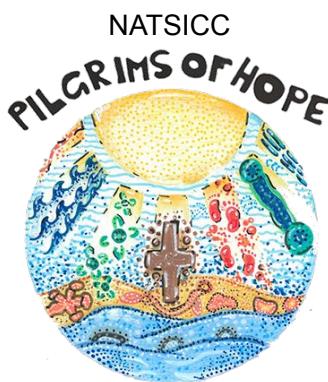
The UN described Gaza as being "home to the largest cohort of child amputees in modern history". As of April, the UN reported that 4,500 people have become amputees due to the current conflict.

Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal.

www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend (12/13 July) we will have a combined collection to support the NATSICC Appeal and Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) Appeals. The funds raised will be divided between these two worthy causes.



2025 NATSICC ASSEMBLY
WONNAROO COUNTRY | HUNTER VALLEY

NATSICC, in partnership with the Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle and Catholic Schools Maitland-Newcastle, invited students to submit a logo design for the 2025 NATSICC Assembly.

They were asked to create an artwork that was based on their own interpretation of the Assembly theme - Pilgrims of Hope - from both a Cultural and Faith based lens. Many wonderful submissions were received.

The final design is a combination of two submissions. One design was chosen for the artwork and the other for the hand drawn typography.

STELLA MARIS

The Apostleship of The Sea



STELLA MARIS

Stella Maris (formerly The Apostleship of the Sea), is the Catholic Church's Missionary work to the Seafarers whether they be on merchant, passenger, war or fishing vessels. While the Church has always been interested in Seafarers since Christ first gathered his fishermen-disciples around him, the modern movement began in the 1890s with several isolated and independent beginnings.

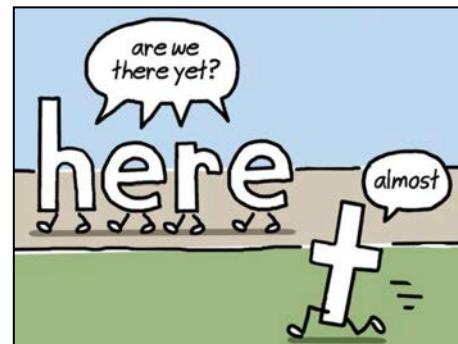
The purpose of Stella Maris is to care for the Spiritual, Social, and Material welfare of all Seafarers without distinction of colour, race or creed.

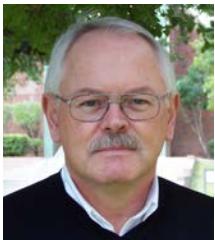
HOLY FATHER'S 2025 PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY

For formation in discernment Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

WHAT'S ON

13 Jul	Collection - Stella Maris and NATSICC Appeals
15 Aug	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
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

DOES GOD HAVE A SENSE OF HUMOR?

This may seem a frivolous or impious question, it's anything but that. It's an important question and a reverent one as well. Why? Because healthy humor and playful banter help bring joy, lightness of heart, and healthy perspective into our lives. Can we imagine all that wonderful lightness of heart having no connection to God?

Does God have a sense of humor? For sure! Without doubt! Jesus teaches that God is the author of all good things. Humor, playfulness, and healthy banter are good, healthy things. They can have their ultimate origin only in God.

Why are they good things? What positive role do they play in our lives?

Freud once suggested that sometimes we can understand things more clearly by looking at their opposites. What are the opposites of humor, playfulness, and banter? We see their opposite in three things: over-seriousness, needless irritation, and pomposity (none of which are healthy).

Consider this example: I have lived almost my entire adult life within a religious community of men, and by and large it has been positive and life-giving. But among the (literally) hundreds of men with whom I have shared community over more than fifty years, there have sometimes been confreres who were over-serious and their presence in the community room or at table could sometimes effectively rob the room of joy.

I recall one such incident at table where someone shared a rather earthy joke (spicy, though not in bad taste). Most of us responded with a hearty laugh, but as soon as the laughter died down, one of our confreres in a heavy and overly pious tone, asked: Would you tell a joke like that in front of the Blessed Sacrament? That not only ended the laughter in the room and injected a certain heaviness into our gathering, it also effectively drained the oxygen out of the room.

Over-seriousness, while not a moral deficiency, can leave us too raw before the demands of family and community to which we can never perfectly measure up. On the other hand, playfulness, humor, and banter, when healthy, can provide some important "grease" for family and community life.

For example, when you join a religious congregation you take a vow to live within a community (of men, in my case) for the rest of your life. Moreover, you don't get to choose with whom you get to live. You are simply assigned to a community, which invariably will include some members whose temperament is very different from yours and with whom you would not normally choose to live.

Well, I have lived in this type of religious community for nearly sixty years and, with very few exceptions, it has been life-giving and enjoyable; mostly because I have been blessed nearly always to live in a community where part of our very ethos has been the daily exchange of humor, playfulness, and banter. Prayer and a common mission of course have been the main glue that held us together but humor, playfulness, and banter have been the grease that have kept petty tensions and the occupational hazard of pomposity at bay.

It's interesting to note that the classical Greek philosophers understood love as having six components: Eros – infatuation and attraction; Mania – obsession; Asteismos – playfulness and banter; Storge – care; Philia – friendship; and Agape – altruism. When we define love we generally make room for most of those components, except Asteismos, playfulness and banter. We pay a price for that.

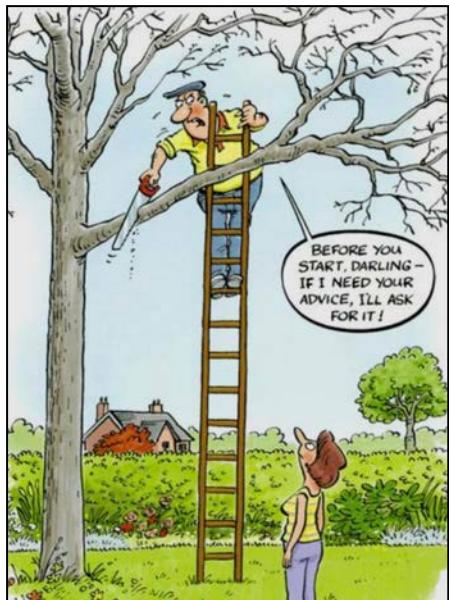
My Oblate novice master, a wonderful French-Canadian priest, once shared with us (a group of young novices) a joke with a purpose. It runs this way: a family was planning the wedding of their daughter but were unable to afford a venue for the festivities after the church service. So, the priest made them an offer: "Why don't you use the

entrance, the foyer, of the church? There's enough room for a reception. Bring in a cake and have your reception there." Things were fine, until the father of the bride asked the priest if they might bring liquor to the reception. The priest replied most emphatically, "Absolutely not! You may not have liquor in a church!" The father of the bride protested, "but Jesus drank wine at the wedding feast of Cana." To which the priest replied, "But not in front of the Blessed Sacrament!"

This joke can serve as a parable, cautioning us vis-à-vis stripping God of humor and playfulness.

God has a sense of humor, a sense of playfulness, and a talent for banter far beyond that of our best comedians. How could it be otherwise? Can you imagine spending eternity in heaven without laughter and playfulness? Can you imagine a God who is perfect love, but with whom you would be afraid to joke and banter? Is the last laugh before we die to be our last laugh forever? No. God has a sense of humor which will without doubt be for all of us a delightful surprise.

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



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.

INTEGRITY & SAFEGUARDING

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.

Mrs Helen Mumford
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Integrity and Safeguarding Dept
(8210 8159)

KIDS' CORNER

"Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you ..."
(Luke 10: 7)

Della is a picky eater. She doesn't like food that's messy or that sticks to her teeth. So when her friend Sophie invited Della over for dinner, Della's mum reminded her to be a good guest.

At dinner, Sophie's dad served barbecue ribs and corn on the cob. Oh no! Sticky AND messy!

Della stared at her plate and prayed, "Help me, Jesus!" When Della looked up, she saw Sophie with corn stuck in her teeth and her chin smeared with barbecue sauce. The two girls giggled. Della tried a bit of the barbecue. Delicious! Who knew sticky food could taste so good?

Thank you, Jesus!

Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts. Amen.

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GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road.

'Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house.

'Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

WORK IS HOLY

Growing up, my sisters and I received an allowance from Mum and Dad. At 12 years old we started working in the family grocery store on Friday evenings and Saturdays. We missed being able to hang out with our friends. But that was more than offset by the little brown envelope that contained the few dollars we earned – most of which made its way to our savings account at the local bank. But still ... some money in hand that we could spend any way we

wanted to, just like the butchers, stock boys, cashiers, truck drivers, and other employees in the store. I felt part of a big family, all of us working together to compete and beat the bigger national store with the green stamps.

More than half a century later, I still run into people who fondly remember our store as children. Staff often would appear at our house for holiday dinners and barbecues, which somehow always seemed to include our favourites.

In my youth, I didn't always appreciate the gift of work like I do now. As a people, we celebrate all the work that has been done and still needs to be done in our country and around the world to bring us together as family and heal us. That's what it means for all to truly be free. And scripture this week reminds that we must do the work of the Lord together. That's what it means to be a universal church, freely open to all.
GPBS eNews

DID YOU KNOW?

- The image of the vineyard is often used in the Old Testament as an image of God's people. They must be tended to and cultivated well so that the harvest is a rich one.
- All baptised people are called to be a part of this missionary activity of the church.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(07 - 13 July)

- **Monday, 07:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Gen 28:10-22; Mt 9:18-26)
- **Tuesday, 08:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Gen 32:23-33; Mt 9:32-38)
- **Wednesday, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Gen 41:55-57; 42:5-7, 17-24; Mt 20:1-7)
- **Thursday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Gen 44:18-21, 23-29; 45:1-5; Mt 10:7-15)
- **Friday, 11:** St Benedict (Gen 46:1-7, 28-30; Mt 10:16-23)
- **Saturday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Gen 49:29-33; 50:15-26; Mt 10:24-33)
- **Sunday 13:** Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37)

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