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CHILD PROTECTION

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

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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

Wisdom 18:6-9

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage.

This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you.

The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 32:1.12.18-20.22

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out

without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God. It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland.

That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

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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
07/8	M Glynn	L Grant	C Berden
14/8	A Clarke	K Hammat	A Bevan
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 u 07/8 Fr Ian Wilson 14/8 Fr Ian Wilson

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.

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.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Please note that next weekend there will be a leaving collection at all Masses for the support of all those in those studying for the Priesthood in our Archdiocese.

We currently have three seminarians - James Thomson, preparing to be ordained a Deacon and Blake Crossley and Josh Mc Dermid both on pastoral placement in the Parishes of Salisbury and Lefevre Catholic Community respectively. Please remember them in your prayers along with those studying in the Ministry Formation Program and those preparing for the Diaconate.

PALMS GLOBAL MISSION

Our sister churches in Africa, Asia and the Pacific are requesting Australian Catholics to join them to build the skills of those in their community who have had less opportunity than ourselves. Please consider these Mission opportunities abroad.

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference provide support.

Palms Australia, who have prepared Australian Catholics for global mission since 1961, will ensure accommodation and a living allowance is provided to you during your time away. Enquire online or Ph: 0422 742 567 to find out about a placement to engage your skills.

You can also <u>Register</u> for a Webinar on Monday August 1st at 7:00 pm to

talk directly with a Palms' partner community in Timor Leste and two Australians recently posted to work with them. Invite your friends. The stories will inspire.

CUPPA AFTER MASS

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

HOLY CHILDREN OF THE GOOD

Most of the folks we know aren't bad people, by any means. They're not hopelessly corrupted by greed, sacrificing their children to their own ambitions, or cheating on their spouses. Most people we keep company with are not cruel, careless of the poor, bigoted, or addicted to power for its own sake. But in the same way, most people we know aren't what we'd call "holy" either. That is, their lives and choices aren't centred on God and the desire for goodness above all else.

But we probably do know some holy people, and they're marvellous! They seem to breathe the Holy Spirit and seek God's will as naturally as the rest of us seek our next meal. They're wonderfully kind; not cynical or suspicious of others' motives; not quick to criticise or pass judgment. They show mercy to people who don't "deserve" it. They do good not because they're being watched, but because it gives them pleasure to do it. We want to be like these people. As we watch holiness in action, our hearts ache for it.

Where have you seen holiness in action? How might you fall short of the example of holiness you see?

Sign up to become one of the "children of goodness". Consider what you might say or do if you were in the presence of God, and then live as if that were always true.

GPBS eNews





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

DISARMED AND DANGEROUS

After his first arrest, the peace activist Daniel Berrigan went into hiding. After four months, he was captured, but during those months underground, although a threat to no one, he was put on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted list. There's an irony here that did not go unnoticed. Someone put up a poster of him with this caption: Wanted – Notorious consecrator of bread and wine. Disturber of wars and felonious paper burner! The fugitive has been known to carry the New Testament and should be approached with extreme caution. Disarmed and dangerous.

Disarmed and dangerous! Corny as that may sound, it expresses the real threat to injustice, violence, and war. Disarmament is dangerous. Someone who is genuinely unarmed is ultimately the one who poses the greatest danger to disorder, immorality, and violence. Violence can withstand violence, but it can be brought down by non-violence. Here are some examples.

In our own generation, we have the example of Christian de Cherge, one of the seven Cistercian monks who were kidnapped and later killed by Islamist extremists in Algeria in 1996. His journey, and that of the other monks who died with him, is chronicled in a number of books (including some of his own letters and diaries) and in the awardingwinning film, Of Gods and Men. Living within a small community of nine monks in a remote Muslim village in Northern Algeria, Christian and his community were much loved by that Muslim community and, being French citizens and enjoying the protection of that citizenship, their presence constituted a certain protection for the villagers against Islamic terrorists. Alas, the situation was not to last.

On Christmas Eve, 1995, they received a first visit from the terrorists with the clear warning that they had best leave before they would become its victims. Both the French and the Algerian governments offered them armed protection. Christian,

acting alone at first, against the majority voice in his own community, categorically refused armed protection. Instead, his prayer became this: *In face of this violence, disarm us, Lord.* His response to the threat was complete disarmament. Eventually, his entire community joined him in that stance.

Six months later they were kidnapped and killed, but the triumph was theirs. Their witness of fidelity was the singular most powerful gift they could have given to the poor and vulnerable villagers whom they sought to protect, and their moral witness to the world will nurture generations to come, long after this particular genre of terrorism has had its day. Christian de Cherge and his community were disarmed and dangerous.

There are innumerable similar examples of other persons who were disarmed and dangerous. Rosa Parks, disarmed and seemingly powerless against the racist laws at the time, was one of the pivotal figures in ending racial segregation in the USA, as was Martin Luther King. The list of dangerous unarmed persons is endless: Mahatma Gandhi, Thomas Merton, Dorothy Day, Desmond Tutu, Oscar Romero, Franz Jagerstatter, Dorothy Stang, Daniel Berrigan, Elizabeth McAlister, Michael Rodrigo, Stan Rother, and Jim Wallis, among others. Not least, of course,

Jesus was disarmed and so dangerous that the authorities of his time found it necessary to kill him. His complete non-violence constituted the ultimate threat to their established order. Notice how both the civil and religious authorities at the time did not so much fear an armed murderer as they feared an unarmed Jesus ... Release for us, Barabbas! We prefer to deal with an armed murderer than with an unarmed man professing non-violence and telling people to turn the other cheek! Give them credit for being astute. Unconsciously, they recognized the real threat, someone who is unarmed, non-violent, and turning the other cheek.

However, *turning the other cheek* must be properly understood. It

is not a passive, submissive thing. The opposite. In giving this counsel, Jesus specifies that it be the right cheek. Why this seemingly odd specification? Because he is referring to a culturally-sanctioned practice at the time where a superior could ritually slap an inferior on the cheek with the intention not so much of inflicting physical pain as to let the other person know his or her place -Iam your superior, know your place! The slap was administered with the back of the right hand, facing the other person, and thus would land on the other person's right cheek. Now, in that posture, its true violence would remain mostly hidden because it would look clean, aesthetic, and as something culturally accepted.

However, if one were to turn the other cheek, the left one, the violence would be exposed. How? First, because now the slap would land awkwardly and look violent; second, the person receiving it would be sending a clear signal. The change in posture would not only expose the violence but it would also be saying, you can still slap me, but not as a superior to an inferior; the old order is over.

Disarmed and dangerous. To carry no weapon except moral integrity is the ultimate threat to all that is not right.

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



Grilled chicken

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 03/08/22)



- 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



VACCINATED

and

UNVACCINATED

DID YOU KNOW?

According to Roman custom, a day was reckoned from midnight to midnight, and the night divided into four watches. Jewish custom was to reckon a day from sunset to sunset, and the night was divided into three watches.

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It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead; and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 24:42, 44

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 12:32-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

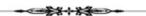
'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's

arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming," and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'



DID YOU KNOW?

A Jewish wedding consisted of the groom going in procession to the home of the bride where the wedding took place and a feast was held. After this celebration, the groom returned to his own home with his bride to begin their life together.



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(08 - 14 August)

- *Monday, 08:* St Mary of the Cross (1 Kg 17:8-16; Col 3:12-17; Mt 6:25-34)
- *Tuesday, 09:* Weekday, Ord Time 19 (Ezek 2:8–3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14)
- *Wednesday, 10:* St Lawrence (2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26)
- *Thursday, 11:* St Clare (Ezek 12:1-12; Mt 18:21-19:1)
- *Friday, 12:* Weekday, Ord Time 19 (Ezek 16:1-15, 60, 63; Mt 19:3-12)
- *Saturday, 13:* Weekday, Ord Time 19 (Ezek 18:1-10, 13, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15)
- *Sunday 14:* 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53)

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