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

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

Ezekiel 2:2-5

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 122

*Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.*

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, "My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness," So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite

content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.*

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-6

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the Sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him?'

This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few

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Bulletin Board

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Healing list: Sue Semler, Brianna Chudlee, Peter Weatherstone, John Slagter, Annette Roestenburg, Michelle Glynn

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

	Prayers	Reader	Cleaning
7/7	W Bennett	S Semmler	C Berden
14/7	M Glynn	K Hammat	C Berden
21/7	S Semmler	M Slagter	A Bevan
28/7	K Hammat	P Bennett	A Bevan

PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops up)
07/07 Fr Santhosh Nazareth CSC

SAFEGUARDING OUR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Children have the right to an education that helps them to develop their talents and abilities and that helps them to learn to live peacefully, protect the environment and respect other people.

Our children learn in many ways, at home, at school and in our church. Our Catholic schools as well as our Archdiocese are committed to ensuring children are not just taught literacy and numeracy, but also learn compassion for others, to care for our Earth and their own unique value as a child of God.

The greatest lessons in life are those taught in the Gospel for in it we learn to love as we are loved, to forgive as we are forgiven and to live humbly in the service of others as Jesus humbly came to serve us.

Whether our children are schooled in a Catholic, public or private setting, whether their talents lie in Maths, English, Sport or Music, let us above all seek and provide an education for children that embodies the Gospel message of love and encourages our children to live out the compassion and care of Christ in the world.

Child Protection Unit (8210 8159)

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend (13/14 July) there will be special collection for the NATSICC Appeal and the Sea Sunday Appeal. The amount raised will be split between these two worthy causes.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY

Our First Nations Peoples are an integral part of our Church family. They hold a unique and special place within the life of our Church, and it is our collective responsibility to ensure their voices and stories are heard and respected.

Our celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday in our Church signifies the start of NAIDOC week for the wider Australian community. During this time, we, as a nation, acknowledge and honour the rich cultural heritage, spirituality and other gifts contributed by our First Nationals Peoples within our community.

May this day be filled with joy, learning and a deepened commitment to reconciliation and unity within our Church.

*Bishop Charles Gauci
(Bishops Commission for Relations with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People)*

WHATSAPP AND FACEBOOK IMPERSONATION

Please be aware that several fake profiles have been created in Archbishop Patrick O'Regan's name, both on Facebook and WhatsApp. Please be aware these are not endorsed profiles and under no circumstances should people donate money via them.

COME AND EXPERIENCE LIFE IN THE TAIZÉ COMMUNITY

Reverend Joan Claring-Bould and Fr Paul Monash will be leading a pilgrimage to Taizé, France, from October 11-24.

The tour will include two days in Kuala Lumpur to get an experience of another culture, six days with the Taizé community, and two days in Paris on the way home. There is a limit of 20 people of any age. Estimated cost \$5000. It will be an unforgettable and spiritually enriching experience.

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DATES

- 05 Jul Last day School term 2
- 07 July NATSICC Appeal
- 22 Jul First day School term 3
- 11 Aug Vocations Appeal
- 15 Aug Assumption Virgin Mary
- 31 Aug - Sep 8 Adelaide Show
- Sep Catholic Charities month
- 27 Sep Last day School term 3
- 28 Sep AFL Grand Final
- 05/06 Supporting Clergy Appeal
- 07 Oct Labour Day holiday
- 14 Oct First day School term 4
- 20 Oct World Mission Day Appeal
- 05 Nov Melbourne Cup
- 10 Nov St Vincent de Paul Appeal
- 17 Nov KI Catholic Parish 70th Anniversary Mass 9.30am
- 13 Dec Last day School term 4 (Yrs 10, 11, 12 vary)
- 25 Dec Catholic Charities Appeal

"Nothing spoils a good story like the arrival of an eyewitness." Mark Twain

Set your wifi password to 2444666668888888. When someone asks for it, tell them it's 12345678.





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

PRAYING WHEN IT SEEMS USELESS

Prayer is most needed just when it seems most useless. Michael J. Buckley, one of the major spiritual mentors in my life, wrote those words. What does he mean by them?

In the face of so many problems we can get the feeling that praying about them is useless. For example, in the face of the discouragement and helplessness we feel before some of the mega problems in our world, it is easy to feel that praying about them is useless. What will my prayer do vis-à-vis the wars raging in different parts of the world? What's the value of my prayer in the face of injustice, famine, racism, and sexism? What will my prayer do vis-à-vis the divisions and hatred now dividing our communities? It is easy to feel that praying about these situations is useless.

The same holds true about how we often feel about the value of prayer when serious illnesses beset us. Will prayer bring about a cure for someone with terminal cancer? Do we really expect a miraculous cure? Mostly, we don't, but we continue to pray despite the feeling that our prayer won't in fact change the situation. Why?

Why pray when it seems useless to do so? Theologians and spiritual writers have given us various perspectives on this which are helpful, though not adequate. Prayer, they say, is not meant to change the mind of God, but to change the mind of the person who is praying. We don't pray to put God on our side; we pray to put ourselves on God's side. As well, we have been taught that the reason it might seem that God doesn't answer our prayers is that God, like a loving parent, knows what is good for us and answers our prayers by giving us what we really need rather

than what we naively want. C.S. Lewis once said that we will spend a lot of time in eternity thanking God for those prayers that God didn't answer.

All of this is true and important. God's ways are not our ways. Faith asks us to give God the space and time to be God, without having to conform to our very limited expectations and habitual impatience. We can indeed be grateful that God doesn't answer many of our prayers according to our expectations.

But still, still ... when Jesus invited us to pray, he didn't do so with a caveat: *but you need to ask for the right things if you expect me to answer your prayer.* No, he simply said: *Ask and you will receive.* He also said that *some demons are only cast out by prayer and fasting.*

So, how might the demons of violence, division, hatred, war, hunger, global warming, famine, racism, sexism, cancer, heart disease, and the like be cast out by prayer? How is prayer useful in any practical way in the face of these issues?

In brief, prayer doesn't just change the person who is praying, *it also changes the situation.* When you pray you are in fact part of the situation about which you are praying. *Sincere prayer helps you become the change you are praying to bring about.* For example, praying for peace helps you to calm your own heart and bring a more peaceful heart into the world.

While this is true, there is also a deeper reality at play. More deeply, when we pray there is something happening that goes beyond how we normally imagine the simple interplay between cause and effect. By changing ourselves we are changing the situation; yes, but in a deeper way than we normally imagine.

As Christians, we believe that we are part of a body, the Body of Christ, and that our union there with each other is more than some idealized corporate community. Rather, we are part of a living organism in which every part affects every other part, just as in a physical body. Because of this, for us, there is no such a thing as a private act – good or bad. I hesitate to suggest that this is analogous to the immune system inside the human body because this is more than an analogy. It's real, organic. Just as in a human body there is an immune system which protects the health of the overall body by killing off cells and viruses that are endangering its health, so too inside the Body of Christ. At all times, we are either healthy cells bringing strength to the immune system inside the Body of Christ or we are a virus or cancerous cell threatening its health. Praying about an issue makes a difference because it helps strengthen the immune system inside the Body of Christ – precisely as it is dealing with the issue about which we are praying. While on the surface prayer can sometimes feel useless, it is doing something vital underneath – something most needed precisely when we feel that our prayer is useless.

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:

BSB 085 005

A/c No 585353994

Reference: K Island or 765

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BSB 085 005

A/c No 918111484

Reference: Your name

Thank you for your ongoing support of our priests and parish facilities.

CHILD PROTECTION

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.

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KIDS' CORNER

My grace is sufficient for you
(2 Corinthians 12:9)

Before her basketball game, Kelly prayed for a win. But even though her team played a great game, they lost in overtime. At first, Kelly couldn't understand why God hadn't answered her prayer. Then Kelly's coach told them that one of the kids on the other team had a sister who was in hospital. The whole team was playing for her. When Kelly saw how happy everyone on the other team was, Kelly felt a joy deep inside her that she couldn't explain. She also felt sure that God had answered her prayer and gave her something much greater than a win. What do you think Kelly received?



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sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

OFFENDED BY JESUS

Jesus left there and returned to his hometown. His disciples came along. On the Sabbath, he gave a lecture in the meeting place. He made a real hit, impressing everyone. "We had no idea he was this good!" they said. "How did he get so wise all of a sudden, get such ability?" But in the next breath they were cutting him down: "He's just a carpenter – Mary's boy. We've known him since he was a kid."

Jesus had the opposite problem to the one Paul laments in Corinthians. Paul faces rejection because he's a flawed person. Jesus is rejected because he's not flawed enough. How can the local kid be such a font of wisdom and grace? Where are the warts? Must be a scam, they reasoned. He looks too good.

The hometown folks fall victim to an old sin, and of the most unattractive: envy. The crowds in Nazareth were jealous that someone from their midst seemed to have a rare gift that put him beyond them. It's a familiar near-sightedness; they were staring right at Clark Kent and had no idea he was Superman, even though the difference was only a cape and a pair of glasses. You can only see Superman in Clark if you can get past the mental obstacle that says Clark can't possibly BE that special. Then it's obvious that he is.

In the same way, we can only see Christ in others when we drop the blinders of our envy and start looking for him. Out of the mouths of babes comes wisdom, and from the most unlikely sources, fountains of grace.

HE WAS AMAZED AT THEIR LACK OF FAITH

Who are the people that we tend to ignore or pass by? Many of us find it difficult to deal with beggars. It is easier to pretend not to see them and pass by. Some people tend to ignore people in wheelchairs, especially if they have somebody wheeling them or standing by. The conversation takes place with the person assumed to be the carer; wheelchair occupants are often treated as people who can't speak for

themselves.

People who serve in shops or get us tickets or leisure activities, they too can somehow disappear off our radar as human beings. We only really notice them when they are inefficient or all too human in their responses, perhaps a little like ourselves. Then we may ignore those who are closest to us in our household. As the saying goes, "Familiarity breeds contempt", and we can too easily take our nearest and dearest for granted, not really noticing who they are any more or what is concerning them.

There is an argument that we would become overloaded if we tried to take on board the full humanity of all the people we meet. Yet if we let go of that recognition of the other as an important human being, our equal and equally worthy of respect, we can lose sight of our own humanity. And if we lose sight of our own humanity, we lose sight of Christ.

That is why it is so important not to ignore each other or pass each other by. We miss the many-splendored thing and become lost and sightless, thinking we see but only being aware of the outer semblance. Perhaps, too, we need to look in the mirror more carefully, at least from time to time, to remind ourselves of our own humanity and that Christ is present in us too.

Where do we still find Jesus when we least expect to encounter him?

GPBS eNews

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(July 08/14)

- **Monday, 08:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26)
- **Tuesday, 09:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38)
- **Wednesday, 10:** Weekday, Ord Time (Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7)
- **Thursday, 11:** St Benedict (Hosea 11:1-4, 8-9; Mt 10:7-15)
- **Friday, 12:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Hosea 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23)
- **Saturday, 13:** Weekday, Ord Time 14 (Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33)
- **Sunday 14:** 15th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13)

PASTORAL CARE

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