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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

Daniel 7:13-14

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of
heaven, one like a son of man.

He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.

On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship, and men of all
peoples, nations and languages
became his servants.

His sovereignty is an eternal
sovereignty which shall never pass
away, nor will his empire ever be
destroyed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 92:1-2, 5

*The Lord is king; he is robed in
majesty.*

SECOND READING

Apocalypse 1:5-8

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness,
the First-born from the dead, the
Ruler of the kings of the earth. He
loves us and has washed away our
sins with his blood, and made us a
line of kings, priests to serve his
God and Father; to him, then, be
glory and power for ever and ever.
Amen. It is he who is coming on the
clouds; everyone will see him, even
those who pierced him, and all the
races of the earth will mourn over
him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am

the Alpha and the Omega' says the
Lord God, who is, who was, and
who is to come, the Almighty.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Blessed is he who inherits the
kingdom of David our father;
blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.*

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 18:33-37

'Are you the king of the Jews?'
Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you
ask this of your own accord, or have
others spoken to you about me?'
Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is
your own people and the chief
priests who have handed you over to
me: what have you done?' Jesus
replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of
this world; if my kingdom were of
this world, my men would have
fought to prevent my being
surrendered to the Jews.
But my kingdom is not of this kind.'
'So you are a king then?' said Pilate.
'It is you who say it' answered Jesus.
'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this,
I came into the world for this: to
bear witness to the truth; and all who
are on the side of truth listen to my
voice.'

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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, Elijah Laundry, Rebecca Semler, Simon Laundry, Chris Heath

November anniversaries:

Jim Airton, Francis E Bannan, Vic Banner, Clorice Bates, Toni Berden, Leon Bourke, Imogen Brinkley, Harold Burgess, Donald Chalmers, Tim Clark, Evelyn Drane, Roy Gatton, John and Dien Hendrix, Carmel Higgins, Agnes Hughes, Margaret Hughes, Peggy Imboden, Andrew Kelly, Thomas Lydon, John McDonald, Colleen Moore, Roger Pahl, Teresa Paniza, Sam Perkins, Roy Rayson, Helen Redden, Patricia Ross, Harold Semler, Marie Slagter, Pat Smith, Graham Turner, Gwen Willson

Please pray for all the faithful departed and may all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends know the healing love of Christ.

70th ANNIVERSARY OF KANGAROO ISLAND PARISH

Thank you to all the people who helped make last week's 70th Anniversary celebration so successful. In particular, we are very grateful to Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, Monsignor Ian Dempsey, Fr Leon Czechowicz and Fr Lancy D'Silva for supporting us with their presence and in our celebration of the Holy Eucharist. It was truly a blessing to have them in our midst. The Archbishop's homily, focussing on each of us as a pilgrim, was a really fitting and inspiring message to take us into the next seventy years.

The launch of Helen Mumford's book of interviews with priests and parishioners past and present, was perfectly timed to coincide with seventy years of the Catholic Church on Kangaroo Island. It is full of heartwarming stories that will make you laugh and cry.



70th Anniversary of Kangaroo Island Parish Mass

Pictured from left: Helen Mumford, Paul Bennett, Fr Lancy Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, Fr Leon, Mons Ian Dempsey and Josh Mumford

PARISH ROSTERS

	Reader	Prayers	Cleaning
24/11	A Clark	K Hammat	A Bevan
1/12	P Clark	L Grant	A Bevan
8/12	S Semler	W Bennett	C Brinkley
15/12	H Mumford	P Bennett	C Brinkley
22/12	A Clark	M Glynn	C Brinkley
29/12	M Slagter	W Bennett	C Brinkley

PRIEST ROSTER

24/11 Fr Matthew Newman
December dates - TBA

DATES 2024

13 Dec Last day School term 4
25 Dec Catholic Charities Appeal

2025

1 Jan New Year's Day holiday
26 Jan Australia Day holiday
28 Jan First day, School term 1
5 Mar Ash Wednesday
11 Mar Adelaide Cup Day
13 Apr Palm Sunday
17 Apr Thursday of Lord's Supper
18 Apr Good Friday
19 Apr Holy Saturday
20 Apr Easter Sunday
25 Apr ANZAC Day

KID'S CORNER

"Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." (John 18:37)

"Amy did you eat any chocolates?" Dad asks, opening a box of chocolates. "No," Amy answers. "I didn't eat one piece." But Amy's older brother Tony knows her tricks. He sees teeth marks in each piece of chocolate. Amy might have said she didn't swallow any chocolates, but is she telling the whole truth?

When we stay close to Jesus, it's easier to do what's right and truthful. Pray every morning to Jesus before you start the day. Ask for his help so that you can listen to his voice whenever you make choices.

NOVEMBER - THE MONTH FOR HOLY SOULS

"The devotion to the memory of the dead is one of the most beautiful expressions of the Catholic spirit."
- Pope St John XXIII

COMMISSIONING SERVICE

There will be a liturgy to celebrate the commissioning of Clare Bruce as the new Pastoral Care Worker for the Penneshaw campus of KICE. The service will be held at 2.30pm on November 24, at the CWA Hall, Penneshaw. Afternoon tea will follow.

All are welcome, so please come along.

Inter-Church Committee





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

THE TOWER OF BABEL

The opening pages of the Bible offer us a series of stories set at the beginning of history which are meant to explain why the world today is as it is. The Adam and Eve story about original sin is one of those stories. There are others. These stories, because they use imagery that might make them sound like fairy tales, can seem total fantasy to us, but they are stories that are truer than true. They happened. They happened to the first man and woman on this planet, and they continue to happen today in a way that affects every man and woman throughout history. They are stories of the heart, not meant to be taken literally, but carrying lessons for the heart.

One of these “in the beginning”, foundational, archetypal, stories is the story of the Tower of Babel. In street language, it goes like this: In the beginning (before time was like it is now) there was a town called Babel which decided it would make a name for itself by building a tower so impressive that all the other towns would have to admire it. They began building the tower, but something strange happened. As they were building it, they suddenly all began to speak different languages, were no longer able to understand each other, and scattered around the world, each now speaking in a language incomprehensible to everyone else.

What’s the lesson? Is this meant to explain the origin of the different languages of the world? No, rather it is meant to explain the deep, seemingly irreconcilable misunderstandings among us. Why do we forever misunderstand each other? What’s at the origin of this?

There are multiple ways this story can be used to shed light on the divisions in our world today. Here’s one: Writing in *The Atlantic* last year, social psychologist Jonathan Haidt suggested that there is perhaps no better metaphor to explain the divisions among us today than the Tower of Babel. His argument runs this way: Social media, the very thing that was meant to connect us not only

to our friends and families but to people from around the globe, has in fact led to a radical fragmentation of our society and to the shattering of all that had seemed solid, the scattering of people who had been a community. Take America, for example; while we might still be speaking the same language, social media and cable news echo chambers have supplied us with different sets of facts, values, and visions that make actual conversation increasingly impossible.

As the recent tensions around the US Presidential elections made evident, as a society we no longer speak the same language in that we can no longer understand each other on virtually every key issue – global warming, immigration, poverty, gender, health, abortion, the place of religion in the public sphere, whose side truth is on, and, most important of all, what truth is. We no longer share any common truths. Rather, we all have our own truth, our own individual language. As the popular saying goes, I have done my own research! I don’t trust science. I don’t trust any mainstream truths. I have my own sources.

And those sources are many, too many to count! Hundreds of television channels, countless podcasts and millions of persons feeding us their idiosyncratic version of things on social media so that now there is skepticism about any fact or truth. This is dividing us at every level: family, neighborhood, church, country, and world. We are all now speaking different languages and, like the original inhabitants of Babel, are being scattered around the world.

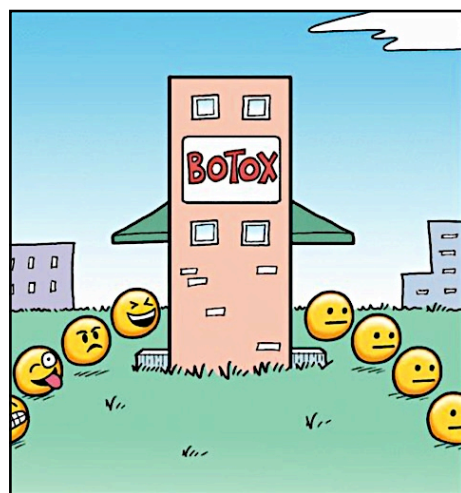
In the light of this, it is noteworthy how the original Pentecost is described in scripture. The Acts of the Apostles describes Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit, as an event which reverses what happened at the Tower of Babel. At the Tower of Babel, the languages (the “tongues”) of the earth divided and scattered. At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descends on each person as a “tongue of fire” so that, to everyone’s great surprise, everyone now understands everyone one else in his or her own language.

Again, what is being described here is not about literal human languages – where at Pentecost everyone suddenly understood Greek or Latin. Rather everyone now understood everyone else in his or her own language. All languages became one language.

What is that common language? It’s neither Greek nor Latin nor English nor French nor Spanish nor Yiddish nor Chinese nor Arabic, nor any other of the world’s spoken languages. Neither is it the less-than-fully-compassionate language of the conservatives or the liberals. It is, as Jesus and our scriptures make clear, the language of charity, joy, peace, patience, goodness, long-suffering, fidelity, gentleness, faith, and chastity.

This is the only language which can bridge the misunderstandings and differences among us – and when we are speaking it, we will not be trying to build a tower to impress anyone.

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.

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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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DID YOU KNOW?

- Pontius Pilate was the prefect or governor of the Roman province of Judea. He held this office from 26 to 36 AD. He had a reputation for being insensitive to Jewish religious practices and was all too ready to use brutal force to repress any dissent against Roman rule. He was ultimately removed from office and sent back to Rome after a brutal attack on a gathered crowd in Samaria.
- Pilate's normal place of residence was in the coastal city of Caesarea. He was in Jerusalem at this time because the Passover was one of the 'pilgrimage festivals' of Judaism when many people travelled to the city to celebrate the feast at the Temple. The population of Jerusalem swelled greatly and this was a time when the Romans feared an outbreak of rebellion. Because of this, the Roman legions travelled to Jerusalem to reinforce the troop numbers stationed in the city.

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CONNECT, COLLABORATE AND CELEBRATE

Social Inclusion Week (23 November – 1 December) is celebrated each year in Australia. It takes many forms, as different organisations shape it to fit the challenges faced by them and by the people whom they serve. This year, there are many challenges in our own society and around the world to welcome diversity and to respect people who are different from us. Instead of seeing different beliefs, origins and customs as a blessing, and counting our differences as something that adds to each of us, we are constantly pressed to see them as enemies whose existence threatens us.

The election campaign in the US has displayed the costs to society when diversity is seen as an infection that we must stamp out instead as a gift that enriches us. This view sets people against one another, bans books to which some people object, tries to close down voters who hold views others than our own, threatens to rid the nation of people of different colour or origin, and sets the wealthy against the battlers. The tension that this causes within the community expresses itself in mass shootings, weakens the economy, increases anxiety and damages the nation. The conflict is intensified by the use of propaganda based on false information and by its spread on social media.

In Australia we are mercifully free from such violent polarisation, but the exploitation by political parties of economic hardship, the suffering inflicted on both Muslim and Jewish communities by the war between Israel and its neighbours, the aftermath of the Referendum on the Voice and the punitive measures introduced to deal with criminal behaviour particularly by Indigenous children, all mark a rejection of diversity. They express the desire to exclude people who are seen as not like us.

In fractured and anxious times, it is doubly important to enter the experience of people who are seen as different. Many of them have been disadvantaged by birth and by their place of living. Many were born into unstable relationships, had a precarious childhood in which they were subject to domestic violence and constant

anxiety, suffered from bodily and mental illness, lacked access to health care and steady education, perhaps had to deal with addiction and dealings with the justice system, and lived in areas of high unemployment.

Where people's relationships have been bruised by experiences of rejection, uncertainty and fear from childhood, they need encouragement to re-open them bit by bit. This process begins with finding respect for themselves as the persons they are, not for their looks, their money, the way they speak, nor their use to others. Social inclusion depends on social friendship – the readiness of people to welcome others into their lives and not to exclude them. It means looking beyond the labels that we put on people to see instead their person and their needs.

As Catholics we are fortunate to hear Pope Francis speak so often in such moving and down to earth words of the preciousness of each human being. We are even more fortunate to see how in his travels he shows respect and compassion by visiting prisoners, travelling to meet refugees, and celebrating with minority groups. He helps us to see that ultimately inclusiveness is not about big ideas but about simple human gestures of friendship. *Fr Andrew Hamilton SJ "Australian Catholics"*

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(November 25 - December 01)

- **Monday, 25:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rev 14:1-5; Lk 21:1-4)
- **Tuesday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rev 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11)
- **Wednesday, 27:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rev 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19)
- **Thursday, 28:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rev 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9; Lk 21:20-28)
- **Friday, 29:** Weekday, Ord Time 34 (Rev 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Lk 21:29-33)
- **Saturday, 30:** St Andrew (Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22)

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- **Sunday 01:** FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thess 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36)

PASTORAL CARE

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