



Welcome to

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### PARISH NEWSLETTER

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

## CHILD PROTECTION

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

Mrs Helen Mumford

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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

*Jeremiah 20:10-13*

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,  
“Terror from every side!”

Denounce him! Let us denounce  
him!”

All those who used to be my friends  
watched for my downfall,

‘Perhaps he will be seduced into  
error. Then we will master him and  
take our revenge!’

But the Lord is at my side, a mighty  
hero; my opponents will stumble,  
mastered, confounded by their  
failure; everlasting, unfor-gettable  
disgrace will be theirs. But you,  
Lord of Hosts, you who probe with  
justice, who scrutinise the loins and  
heart, let me see the vengeance you  
will take on them, for I have  
committed my cause to you. Sing to  
the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has  
delivered the soul of the needy from  
the hands of evil men.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35*

*Lord, in your great love, answer me.*

## SECOND READING

*Romans 5:12-15*

Sin entered the world through one  
man, and through sin death, and thus  
death has spread through the whole  
human race because everyone has

sinned. Sin existed in the world long  
before the Law was given. There was  
no law and so no one could be  
accused of the sin of ‘law-breaking’,  
yet death reigned over all from Adam  
to Moses, even though their sin,  
unlike that of Adam, was not a matter  
of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but  
the gift itself considerably outweighed  
the fall. If it is certain that through one  
man’s fall so many died, it is even  
more certain that divine grace, coming  
through the one man, Jesus Christ,  
came to so many as an abundant free  
gift.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Jn 15:26, 27*

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*The Spirit of Truth will bear witness  
to me, says the Lord, and you also will  
be my witnesses. Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

*Matthew 10:26-33*

Jesus instructed the Twelve as  
follows: ‘Do not be afraid. For  
everything that is now covered will be  
uncovered, and everything now  
hidden will be made clear. What I say  
to you in the dark, tell in the daylight;  
what you hear in whispers, proclaim  
from the housetops.

‘Do not be afraid of those who kill the  
body but cannot kill the soul; fear him

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# Bulletin Board

## PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Stephanie Langridge, Carmen Northcott, Joella Davidson

**June anniversaries:** Dorothy 'Mardi' Atkison, William 'Bill' Bauer, Shirley Black, Doris Bosanko, Norma 'Aileen' Cartel, Tony Cairney, William Christopher, Craig Feltus, Mary Alice Grace, Benjamin Hayes, Henry Hughes, Sarah Hughes, Fr P P Kelly, Alan Lashmar, Maria Loechel, Ann McAnnally, James McAnnally, Lillian Murphy, Laurence O'Daly, Dean Page, Ruth Perkins, Molly Polly, Edna Rayson, Mary - Douglas Rosentreter, Brenton Semler, Henry Tabor, Michael Wilcox, Alice Willson, Brian Willson, Mary Connell

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

## PARISH ROSTERS

	Comm	Reader	Cleaning
25/6	P Bennett	A Clark	C Berden
2/7	W Bennett	A Gibbs	C Berden
9/7	M Glynn	K Hammat	A Bevan

## PRIEST ROSTER

*(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops up)*

25/6	Fr Matthew Newman
2/7	Fr Anthoni Adimai

## 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

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

Dr Jenny O'Brien, Liturgy Educator for the Archdiocese recently taught that a short silence at the end of the First Reading and the Second Reading is an essential part of the Liturgy of the Word. During this short

silence we are meant to listen inwardly to what God's Word may be saying to us personally. Accordingly, we will begin the practice of these silences next Sunday.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S GUILD

The Catholic Women's Guild meet tomorrow (Monday 26 June) at 9.30am.

## INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE SEAFARER, JUNE 25



Last year's Day of the Seafarer celebrated seafarers and let the world know how and why seafarers are indispensable to everyone.

This year the Day will recognise the unique contribution made by seafarers from all over the world to international seaborne trade, the world economy and civil society as a whole, with the theme 'Seafarers Matter'.

The day recognises the unique and vital role of seafarers in the global community, and the United Nations recognise the Day of the Seafarer as an observance day.

## Apostleship of the Sea Appeal

This weekend we will be conducting an appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Funds collected will be used to provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously.

## ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP FOR LAY MINISTRY

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding

and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and applications forms are available on the website <https://pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship>

Closing date August 4, 2023

## DATES

2 Jul	NATSICC Appeal
7 Jul	Last day School term 2
24 Jul	First day School term 3
8 Aug	St Mary of the Cross feast
13 Aug	Vocations Appeal
15 Aug	Assumption
September	Catholic Charities Month
3 Sep	Fathers' Day
29 Sep	Last day School term 3
2 Oct	Labour Day
16 Oct	First day School term 4
22 Oct	World Mission Day
12 Nov	Vinnies Christmas Appeal
15 Dec	Last day School term 4
25 Dec	Catholic Charities Appeal

## WHERE I HAVE BEEN

- *I would like to go to Conclusions, but you have to jump, and I'm not too much on physical activity anymore.*
- *I have also been in Doubt. That is a sad place to go, and I try not to visit there too often.*
- *I've been in Flexible, but only when it was very important to stand firm.*
- *Sometimes I'm in Capable, and I go there more often as I'm getting older.*
- *One of my favorite places to be is in Suspense! It really gets the adrenalin flowing and pumps up the old heart! At my age I need all the stimuli I can get!*



*"When you get to be my age, things don't work like they used to."*



## 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

### POST-SOPHISTICATION

A generation ago, J.D. Salinger wrote a novel, *The Catcher in the Rye*, which became immensely popular, as well as becoming required reading in most undergraduate literature programs. It deserved both. It's a great piece of literature.

Here's the image: A man is watching children playing in a rye field with an exuberance and delight that only innocent young children can have. He thinks ahead, picturing how each of them will eventually lose the joy of that innocence and will, like the rest of us adults, become jaded and unhappy. He imagines how wonderful it would be if he could protect these children from growing up and just keep them there forever, innocent, playing in a rye field, spared of all the mess, sin, compromise, and unhappiness of adults. A fantasy which touches the heart.

It also touches something at the heart of the tension between conservatives and liberals. Conservatives and liberals disagree on most everything, except one thing: both are unhappy with the direction in which things are going.

For conservatives, the present moment is seen as a falling away, from a faith, a stability, and a happiness that supposedly we once had. Their instinct is to return to what once was, to what once (in their view) held things together. What would fix things, they believe, is a certain retreat to a past innocence. At the root of that lies that exact nostalgia inside the man watching those children playing in *The Catcher in the Rye*, namely, that leaving behind the innocence of childhood for the sophistication of an adult, brings with it instability, mess, and unhappiness. Sophistication comes at too high a price, and so we need to be protected from certain kinds of learning and experience.

Liberals tend to have the opposite instinct and proclivity. For them, we live in a social, religious, moral, and technological milieu that sets us above the past, irrespective of the mess this sometimes brings. We are simply

advanced in ways that past generations, whatever their values and sincerity, were not. Any retreat would be a regression, an intellectual and moral loss. The path towards maturity is forward, and we must have the courage to travel that road, notwithstanding the upheavals that come with it (you can't make an omelet without scrambling an egg). The road forward leads through adult experience and learning, beyond the shelter of the rye field. That's the road that leads to maturity and gets us beyond the narrowness, bigotry, racism, sexism, and ignorance that undergird much false fear, rigidity, injustice, and violence in the world.

Who's right? In what direction should we be moving? What's the way forward?

My own hunch is that we will get to where we should be going by following neither the instinct of the liberal nor that of the conservative fully. While both emanate from a healthy intuition, both have shown themselves inadequate vis-a-vis the road to maturity, peace, and happiness. Liberals are right in intuiting that moving back to the past is not the answer, just as conservatives are right in believing that simply becoming ever more sophisticated is no answer either. Both are partially right and partially wrong. Where should we be going?

We must move forward, though not in the way popular liberal ideology tends to conceive of this, that is, as *salvation through sophistication alone*. We must move forward, but in a way that ultimately takes us beyond sophistication to a *second naivete*. What is meant by this?

This: If you ask a naive child: "Do you believe in Santa Claus and the Easter Bunny?", she answers: "Yes." If you ask a bright child the same question, she answers: "No." But if you ask an even a brighter child that question, she answers: "Yes". But for a different reason.

The task in life is to move from *naivete* through *sophistication* to *post-sophistication*. Both conservatives and liberals need to challenge

themselves (and each other) in the light of this truth (which is found both in the Gospels and in the best insights in anthropology). God and nature do not intend for us to remain as children all our lives. We are meant to grow, to experience life, to sort out the critical questions that are inside us, to become sophisticated. Admittedly, in that process we will lose much of our innocence. And, as Adam and Eve found out after they ate the fruit, when our eyes are opened, happiness does not exactly follow.

Where is happiness found? In that place where it is possible again to believe in Santa and the Easter Bunny, in a place of post-sophistication. There are various vocabularies within which to express this, but they all point to the same thing. They all have the same progression:

- Naivete – Sophistication – Second naivete
- First fervor – Disillusionment – Mature love
- Pre-critical – Critical – Post-critical
- Innocence – Lost innocence – Revirginized
- Childish – Grown Up – Childlike
- Happy – Disenchanted – Peaceful
- Naive fool – Sophisticated fool – Holy fool

We once were naive fools. Then we became sophisticated fools. It's time to become post-sophisticated fools.

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



## COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 23/06/23)



- If you have tested positive for COVID-19 please stay home and do not attend church services until you have fully recovered.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people are requested to stay home.
- Hand sanitiser is available at church entrances.
- Communion is given only in hands.
- Procession of gifts has resumed.
- Collection plates are to be passed around with minimum contact

### DID YOU KNOW?

- Sparrows were sold in market places as inexpensive food for the poor and were a symbol of something of minimal value.
- Members of the church who have died rather than renounce their faith are called martyrs. The word martyr literally means 'witness'. Throughout history, many have given their lives for the faith, and in our own time, people are still martyred because they will not swerve from their commitment to Christ.
- By the time Matthew wrote his gospel, the church was already undergoing persecution in some areas, and Christian faith was being sorely tested.

### EXPLORING THE WORD

The people of Matthew's community were being persecuted for their faith. They were mostly Jews who had come to accept Jesus as the awaited Messiah. But not all Jews accepted this, and they did not want the Christians to worship with them in the synagogues, so the Jewish Christians were expelled. Matthew's Christian community was feeling very vulnerable and trying to find a new way of living their faith outside the traditional Jewish practices. In this passage, Matthew comforts them and assures them that they need not fear physical harm, for God knows every hair of their heads and will protect them. Those who are strong in their faith and refuse to recant will be honoured before God. If God extends his care to the sparrows, the cheapest life available, how much more will he extend his care to his faithful people?

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rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

### WHISPERED WORDS

(Matthew 10: 26 - 33)

Jesus says to fear no one; but I run out of fingers counting the people and situations that cause fear and anxiety in my life. I want to believe with the certainty of Paul, but often I find myself keeping company with Jeremiah, worried to a frazzle. Is it that I doubt God is going to get me out of the latest scrape I'm in (Yes.) Is it that God has given me reason to doubt that I will be rescued? (No.) So what's the problem?

The problem is me, not God. God keeps track of the hairs on my head and the fate of every sparrow, but I'm keeping the log of everything that can and does go wrong with frail mortality. People go broke. People get sick. People die. These things are often more compelling to me than God's domination over creation. Jesus reminds us that the body is not as important as the soul, but I have grown very fond of the body and have spent a lifetime preserving it. Still, I crawl up on the rooftop of hope every once in a while and warble faintly about what I've heard and believe, despite all uncertainty, to be true. When I speak this truth, its certainty grows in me. When I act on this truth, I'm brought into the light.

**Pray:** Patient God, it's true: we don't want you to disrupt our peace. Too often, we don't let you interrupt our comfort and complacency. We like things the way they are. We like living based on the economy of this world, rather than your economy of love. Too often we choose the easy road. We wonder: What are you seeking to

teach us? What are we to learn from you? Too much of our lives is spent doubting you, instead of living into your beautiful reminder that we are heard, known, and loved. For this, we say sorry, forgive. Amen.

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### KIDS' CORNER

When you hear the word "champion," what do you think of? Probably someone who is the best at something, right? But "champion" has another meaning too. To be another person's "champion" means you support them. You stand up for them, no matter what. Our mightiest champion is God. Whether we win or lose or make a big mistake, God is there, behind and beside us. Even when it seems like the rest of the world has forgotten or dismissed us, God stays close, reminding us that we are God's prized children.

### SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Jesus' words in this text are words of encouragement for the confused and fearful Christians of that time and all times. He speaks of a time when his teachings will be shouted from the rooftops and clear to all. Jesus reassures believers that their faith will be rewarded. They are precious to him and to the Father.

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(26 June - 02 July)

- **Monday, 26:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 12:1-9; Mt 7:1-5)
- **Tuesday, 27:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 13:2, 5-18; Mt 7:6, 12-14)
- **Wednesday, 28:** St Irenaeus (Gen 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20)
- **Thursday, 29:** Sts PETER and PAUL (Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19)
- **Friday, 30:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (2 Kg 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4)
- **Saturday, 01:** Weekday, Ord Time 12 (Gen 18:1-15; Mt 8:5-17)
- **Sunday 02:** 13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (2Kg 4:8-11, 14-16; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42)

### 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