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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.

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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

Amos 6:1, 4-7

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria.

Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.

That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 145:6-10

Praise the Lord, my soul!

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 6:11-16

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I

put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich but he
became poor, to make you rich
out of his poverty.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees, 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day.

And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

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PLEASE KEEP THESE **PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Sick: Sue Semmler, Stephanie Langridge, Joelle Davidson and Carmel Northcott

September anniversaries: Frank Berden, Mary Bowery, Jimmy Browne, Terrence Browne, Gwen Caldicott, Audrey Carslake, Peg Dow, Thomas Drane, Bernadette Florance, Christopher Glynn, Loretta Hartley, Catherine Hughes, Patrick Hughes, Pearl Malycha, Elvie Meaney, Dean Larcombe, Julia Martienses, Eileen Morris, Reginald Pahl, Maise Rooney, Breton Semler, Vera Shannon, James Smith

Please pray for all the faithful departed and all our sick parishioners, relatives and friends.

PARISH ROSTERS

| | Comm | Reader | Cleaning |
|-------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 25/9 | M Glynn | W Bennett | A Clark |
| 2/10 | K Hammat | A Gibbs | A Clark |
| 9/10 | M Slagtar | A Clark | C Berden |
| 16/10 | S Semmler | W Bennett | C Berden |
| 23/10 | M Glynn | L Grant | A Bevan |
| 30/10 | A Clark | K Hammat | A Bevan |

PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes if something unforeseen crops up) 25/9 Fr Pratap Katta 2/10 Fr Dean Marin VG 9/10 Fr Ian Dempsey 16/10 Fr My or Fr Matthew 23/10 Fr Anthoni Adminai 30/10 Fr My or Fr Matthew

6/11 Fr John Shanahan

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.

CUPPA AFTER MASS

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

PARISH HOUSE

There will be a meeting after Mass today to discuss future plans for the Parish House. All are welcome. Your input and comments are valuable and appreciated.

A PRAYER FOR THE RIGHT WORDS

I pray to always have the right words Words that inspire, encourage and praise So that I may be a confidence builder

I pray to be able to think before I speak So that my responses are considered And my words edify instead of criticise

I pray that in those times when I'm frustrated The words I speak are not harsh or hurtful But rather, are able to be helpful and kind

I pray that I can remain calm and thoughtful And that what I say, is said with good grace So that I may be a positive influence on others

I pray that this prayer is read and heard So that others may also have the right words And that together we can make a difference... In our own, and other people's lives AMEN Written by Char Pahl



PRO-LIFE NOVENA FOR UNBORN BABIES

MASSES FOR UNBORN BABIES



ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES



September 29th - October 7th

The multinational PRO-LIFE NOVENA FOR UNBORN BABIES is nine consecutive days for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass to be offered and the Rosary to be prayed for the following intention: For the protection of unborn human persons.

You may be a part of the September 29th - October 7th PRO-LIFE NOVENA FOR UNBORN BABIES by doing one or both of the following:

1) Have the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered 2) Pray one Rosary on each one at least once on any of the following days: of the following days:

September 29th, 30th; October 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th

The intention for each Mass and each Rosary is: For the protection of unborn human persons.

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Ron Rolheiser column

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ON BEING JEALOUS OF GOD'S GENEROUSITY

"The cock will crow at the breaking of your own ego – there are lots of ways to wake up!"

John Shea gave me those words and I understood them a little better recently as I stood in line at an airport: I had checked in for a flight, approached security, saw a huge lineup, and accepted the fact that it would take at least 40 minutes to get through it.

I was all right with the long wait and moved patiently in the line – until, just as my turn came, another security crew arrived, opened a second scanning machine, and a whole lineup of people, behind me, who had not waited the forty minutes, got their turns almost immediately. I still got my turn as I would have before, but something inside of me felt slighted and angry: "This wasn't fair! I'd been waiting for forty minutes, and they got their turns at the same time as I did!" I had been content waiting, until those who arrived later didn't have to wait at all. I hadn't been treated unfairly, but some others had been luckier than I'd been.

That experience taught me something, beyond the fact that my heart isn't always huge and generous. It helped me understand something about Jesus' parable concerning the workers who came at the 11th hour and received the same wages as those who'd worked all day and what is meant by the challenge that is given to those who grumbled about the unfairness of this: "Are you envious because I'm generous?"

Are we jealous because God is generous? Does it bother us when others are given unmerited gifts and forgiveness? You bet! Ultimately, that sense of injustice, of envy that someone else caught a break is a huge stumbling block to our happiness. Why? Because something in us reacts negatively when it seems that life is not making others pay the same dues as we are paying.

In the Gospels we see an incident where Jesus goes to the synagogue on a Sabbath, stands up to read, and quotes a text from Isaiah – except he doesn't quote it fully but omits a part. The text (Isaiah 61,1-2) would have been well known to his listeners and it describes Isaiah's vision of what will be the sign that God has finally broken into the world and irrevocably changed things. And what will that be?

For Isaiah, the sign that God is now ruling the earth will be good news for the poor, consolation or the brokenhearted, freedom for the enslaved, grace abundant for everyone, and vengeance on the wicked. Notice though, when Jesus quotes this, he leaves out the part about vengeance. Unlike Isaiah, he doesn't say that part of our joy will be seeing the wicked punished.

In heaven we will be given what we are owed and more (unmerited gift, forgiveness we don't deserve, joy beyond imagining) but, it seems, we will not be given that catharsis we so much want here on earth, the joy of seeing the wicked punished.

The joys of heaven will not include seeing Hitler suffer. Indeed, the natural itch we have for strict justice ("An eye for an eye") is exactly that, a natural itch, something the Gospels invite us beyond. The desire for strict justice blocks our capacity for forgiveness and thereby prevents us from entering heaven where God, like the Father of the Prodigal Son, embraces and forgives without demanding a pound of flesh for a pound of sin.

We know we need God's mercy, but if grace is true for us, it must be true for everyone; if forgiveness is given us, it must be given everybody; and if God does not avenge our misdeeds, God must not avenge the misdeeds of others either. Such is the logic of grace, and such is the love of the God to whom we must attune ourselves.

Happiness is not about vengeance, but about forgiveness; not about vindication, but about unmerited embrace; and not about capital punishment, but about living beyond even murder.

It is not surprising that, in some of the great saints, we see a theology bordering on universalism, namely, the belief that in the end God will save everyone, even the Hitlers. They believed this not because they didn't believe in hell or the possibility of forever excluding ourselves from God, but because they believed that God's love is so universal, so powerful, and so inviting that, ultimately, even those in hell will see the error of their ways, swallow their pride, and give themselves over to love. The final triumph of God, they felt, will be when the devil himself converts and hell is empty.

Maybe that will never happen. God leaves us free. Nevertheless, when I, or anyone else, is upset at an airport, at a parole board hearing, or anywhere else where someone gets something we don't think he or she deserves, we have to accept that we're still a long way from understanding and accepting the kingdom of God.

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



Morning after at the zoo

COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 21/09/22)



- 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



SHARING THE TRADITION

A closer look at the Scripture of the day, to see how it makes more explicit God's word to us through the teachings of Jesus Christ:

Just as the rich man failed to understand Moses and the prophets, today there are many who question the teaching authority of the Church. This is often based on misunderstanding. The magisterium or teaching authority of the Church is anchored in the 'the task of giving an authentic interpretation of the Word of God. whether it is in its written form (the sacred Scriptures) or in the form of Tradition (how that truth from God has been interpreted and applied over the centuries). Always at the heart of the Church's teaching is the need to guide believers in their moral response to the world and its issues.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being

comforted here while you are in

agony. But that is not all: between us

stop any crossing from your side to

ours."

and you a great gulf has been fixed, to

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'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them.." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."



SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Abraham is an important figure in Judaism. He was the first person mentioned in Scripture who put his complete trust and faith in God (Genesis 12). Abraham became the model of righteousness. To rest in the bosom of Abraham is a metaphor for eternal happiness.

A GOOD KID

I was honoured to be asked to be Kevin's godfather. His parents are long-time friends of the sort that feel like family. And on the day of his Baptism, I listened carefully when the priest asked, "And what do you ask for this child?"

We want Baptism, of course. But what all did that entail? And what would it mean in his life? I wanted to take my role as godparent seriously, but beyond sending birthday cards and Christmas presents and taking an interest in his life from a distance, I still didn't know him that well.

And so, I was delighted when our families joined up for an outing to the city to enjoy the fireworks display. Standing in the throngs of people was a dishevelled man with the look of someone who'd spent many days and nights on the street. He was getting jostled and looked forlorn holding his paper cup, asking for spare change. Kevin, about 10, noticed the man. He dug into his blue jeans for some money. He looked the man in the eyes as he placed the money in his cup. He said, "Hi". I smiled and thought about that day the priest asked what we wanted for this child. I knew then we'd gotten what we came for. This Sunday's gospel warns us what happens to those who have a hard heart when it comes to others. Kevin is blessed with a heart full of love.

The Commissioning: Be ready to speak out for the poor. Be ready to declare your poverty. Be ready to speak to the powerful about ending poverty. Be ready to work with your sisters and brothers for increased social benefits and better housing. Be ready for opposition from those who want to keep what they have in the bank. Be ready to support political parties that have a compassionate approach to wealth. With the help of God, we are ready. GPBS eNews



THIS WEEK'S READINGS

(26 September - 02 October)
• Monday, 26: Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 1:6-22; Lk 9:46-50)

- *Tuesday, 27:* St Vincent de Paul (Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Lk 9:51-56)
- *Wednesday, 28:* Weekday, Ord Time 26 (Job 9:1-13, 14-16; Lk 9:57-62)
- *Thursday, 29:* Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael (Dan 7:9-10, 13-14; Jn 1:47-51)
- *Friday, 30*: St Jerome (Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5; Lk 10:13-16)
- *Saturday, 01:* St Thérèse of the Child Jesus (Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Lk 10:17-24)
- *Sunday 02:* 27th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-9)

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