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WEEKEND MASSES  
Kingscote at 9.30am

CONFESION  
Kingscote at 9.00am  
(prior to Mass)

PRAYERS FOR HEALING  
Prayers for Healing and Renewal in the Church - Thursdays at 9.30am.  
All welcome.



## FIRST READING

*Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19*

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable, nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquires the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 32:2-3, 17-19, 23*

*The Lord hears the cry of the poor.*

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. <R>
2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. <R>

3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. <R>

## SECOND READING

*2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18*

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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# Bulletin Board

## KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Healing list:** Brianna Chudlee, Peter Weatherstone, Annette Roestenburg, Michelle Glynn, Rebecca Semler, Chris Heath, Simon Laundy, Josh Semler

**October anniversaries:** Murray Brook, Leo Clark, William Commerford, Trish Dennes, Jean Clark, Clifford Dow, Barry Dunn, Leo Dunn, Katarina Faist, James Gibbs, Mary Alice Gibbs, Rosie Grace, Harry Hughes, Thomas Hughes, Kath Hutton, Licci Longzaer, Philis Lorimer, John Lowry, Winifred Lydon, Mary Morrissey, Noel Perkins, Harry Rich, Alf Rombout, Betty Walsh, Bernard Williams, Ethel Willson, Joan Wilson, Leonica Cruz Esplana .

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

## PARISH ROSTERS

	Reader	Prayers	Cleaning
26/10	P Bennett	K Hammat	H Mumford
02/11	H Mumford	K Hammat	H Mumford
09/11	W Bennett	TBA	C Brinkley
16/11	K Hammat	M Glynn	C Brinkley
23/11	S Semler	TBA	C Brinkley
30/11	P Clark	W Bennett	C Brinkley

## PRIEST ROSTER

26/10 Liturgy  
02/11 Fr Matthew Newman

## TRAINING FOR LITURGY LEADERS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION AND READERS

### Sunday 2 November

Fr Matthew Newman will conduct a mandated in-service training for all those who wish to remain Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers, Liturgy Leaders and Commentators after Mass on Sunday 2 November.

This training is also for anyone wishing to volunteer for these ministries. A current police check is

also mandatory for all Church volunteers. Those seeking such a check can apply to Maureen Slagter in the first instance.



### Sunday 30 November

Confirmation and First Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 9.30am Mass at the Kingscote Catholic Church. Presiding priests will be Vicar General Fr Dean Marin and Fr Lancy D'Silva.

There will be a shared lunch after Church at the RYOB hall. You are most welcome to join the children and their families in the celebration.

Please pray for Winston and Ben as step by step they move towards completing their initiation into the Catholic faith community.

## CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Kingscote Community Carols will be sung at The Pavilion on Friday 12 December. If you wish to join the Community Choir please attend the rehearsals to be held at St Alban's Hall, Cnr Drew and Osmond Streets at 4.45pm on Fridays from November 9.

## ECUMENICAL SERVICE

### Sunday 26 October, 11.00am

You are all invited to attend an ecumenical service at St Alban's Anglican Church, Cnr Drew and Osmond Streets Kingscote.

This is to celebrate the commissioning of the Reverend Mary Lewis as the pastoral care worker for KICE Kingscote Campus.

Please bring a picnic lunch to share.

## ARCHDIOCESAN SYNOD FORMATION

### Sessions Available Online

All are invited to prepare for the 2026 Archdiocesan Synod by engaging with the online Synod Formation Series featuring experts and guest presenters from across the globe. Each online session includes a video presentation, reflection worksheet, and links to additional resources and study materials on a variety of topics.

To access the Synod Formation Series and information on upcoming sessions, visit [www.togetherontheway.au/formation-sessions](http://www.togetherontheway.au/formation-sessions) or contact Peter Bierer ([pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au))

## SCHOLA CONCERT

### 'The Magic of Acapella'

A select group of 15 singers will perform an outstanding program of beautiful unaccompanied pieces. Friday October 31, 7pm at St Patrick's Church, Grote Street, Adelaide and on Sunday November 9, 12pm at Church of Holy Cross, Goodwood Road, Goodwood. E: [music@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:music@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

## WHAT'S ON

Oct	World Mission Month
19 Oct	Mission Day Appeal
26 Sep	Last day School term 3
6 Oct	Labour day holiday
13 Oct	First day School term 4
1 Nov	All Saints Day
2 Nov	All Souls Day
9 Nov	Supporting our Clergy Campaign
16 Nov	St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal
12 Dec	Last day School term 4
25 Dec	Catholic Charities Appeal



## MISSIONARIES OF HOPE



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Zambia to help women overcome poverty and mothers give birth safely.

The Women's Cooperative, led by Sr Jane will provide women with the training and support required to break the cycle of scarcity, and the Chilonga Mission Hospital is determined to ensure every woman and baby receives a safe and dignified start to life.

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to be 'Missionaries of hope among all peoples', and we invite you to extend Christ's love to those in need in Zambia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at [catholicmission.org.au/mission](http://catholicmission.org.au/mission), or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.



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## 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 PERFECT POSTURE FOR PRAYER

In her autobiography "The Long Loneliness", Dorothy Day shares how she once prayed at a low time in her life.

Dorothy Day, as you know, grew up without faith. An intellectual, moving in Marxist and anti-church circles, she entered her twenties convinced that if anyone had the courage to look life square in the eye, she or he would not believe in God. She had support in that. The love of her life at the time was a man who shared her views. She moved in with him and bore his child outside of marriage. The birth of this child, a daughter, changed her in ways she had not foreseen. Holding her infant daughter, she was so overcome with awe and gratitude that she prayed spontaneously: "For so much joy, I need to thank someone!" Her faith was born from that, from the purest spring of all, gratitude.

She took some instructions, was baptised, and became a Catholic. The father of her child, upset by the change in her, warned that if she had their child baptised, he would leave her. Her daughter was baptised and he did leave her. Many of her friends reacted similarly. So, even though now she was buoyed up by her newfound faith, she found herself very much alone, without most of her former friends and her usual support systems, a single mother, living on her own, lacking money, and without any vision of what she should do.

She floundered like this for a time, feeling ever more alone and unsure of herself. One day she decided she needed to address this. She left her young daughter in the care of friends and took a train to Washington, DC, where she spent some hours praying at the National

Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Her prayer that day was one of complete helplessness. In essence, this was her prayer to God: "I've given up a lot for you, and you haven't done anything for me! I'm lost, alone, unsure of what to do, and running out of energy and patience. I need help – need it now, not in some distant future! Help me! Help me now! I can't go on like this!"

When she got back to New York a man was waiting to see her. He told her he had heard about her, had an idea, and he needed her help. He then explained to her the concept of "The Catholic Worker." The man's name was Peter Maurin and the rest is history. From that moment on, she had a vision for the rest of her life.

Not everyone gets so quick and clear an answer in prayer, although more people than you would suspect have similar stories. Martin Luther King, for instance, shares how he once prayed at a low point in his life:

"One night toward the end of January, I settled into bed late, after a strenuous day. Coretta had already fallen asleep and just as I was about to doze off the telephone rang. An angry voice said, 'Listen, nigger, we've taken all we want from you, before next week you'll be sorry you ever came to Montgomery.' I hung up, but I couldn't sleep. It seemed that all of my fears had come down on me at once. I had reached the saturation point.

I got out of bed and began to walk the floor. Finally, I went to the kitchen and heated a pot of coffee. I was ready to give up. With my cup of coffee sitting untouched before me I tried to think of a way to move out of the picture without appearing a coward. In this state of exhaustion, when my courage had all but gone, I decided to take my problem to God. With my head in my hands, I bowed over the kitchen table and prayed

aloud. The words I spoke to God that midnight are still vivid in my memory:

'I am here taking a stand for what I believe is right. But now I am afraid. The people are looking to me for leadership, and if I stand before them without strength and courage, they too will falter. I am at the end of my powers. I have nothing left. I've come to the point where I can't face it alone.' At that moment I experienced the presence of the Divine as I had never experienced Him before." (MLK, "Stride Towards Freedom")

Christina Crawford, the author of "Mommy Dearest", a memoir of what it was like growing up in Hollywood as the daughter of a famous movie star, shares how at a certain point in her life she felt hopelessly and completely lost; but then adds: Lost is a place too!

She's right. And lost is a place from where we are especially invited to pray. When we hurt all over, feel hopeless and helpless, and are on our knees because we are too weak to stand, we're in the perfect posture for prayer. Lost is a place for prayer!

*You can read, or download, Ron Rolheiser's weekly columns from his website at: [www.ronrolheiser.com](http://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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BSB 066-782  
A/c No 100027201  
Reference: Your name

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BSB 066-782  
A/c No 100000067  
Reference: Your name

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Priests and Parish Facilities.

## INTEGRITY & SAFEGUARDING

We are a safeguarding Organisation which is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and adults at risk. We believe that all God's children, young people and adults at risk have the right to be healthy and safe, and to have their voice heard, respected, and valued. A safe environment for all.

- Mrs Helen Mumford  
(KI contact - 0408 367 009)
- Integrity and Safeguarding Dept  
(8210 8150 - select option 2)



*“But if you’re content to be simply yourself, you will become more than yourself.” (Luke 18:14)*

Do you have a gift? Maybe you are naturally outgoing. Or smart or funny or good looking. If so, it would be hard not to know you have this gift, right? In this week's Gospel, the Pharisee has many gifts, and he certainly knows it. But that's not the problem. The problem is that he thinks he is better than other people. He even brags to God! Then there's the tax collector. He has a great gift from God: humility. Humility means knowing you need help – from God and from others. The tax collector humbly asks God for help. He asks for mercy. We can all pray like him:

God, be merciful on me, a sinner.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**2 Cor 5:19**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!*

## GOSPEL

**Luke 18:9-14**

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else: ‘Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, “I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get.” The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, “God, be merciful to me, a sinner.” This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.’

## THE TWO VOICES IN THE HALL

It was Friday morning, and the school hall buzzed with the chatter of students, teachers, and parish volunteers setting up for a community event. Among them was Alex, always eager to impress. He had been practicing his speech for the school assembly, making sure everyone knew how organised, responsible, and “good” he was.

Meanwhile, at the other end of the hall, Sam quietly helped a younger student untangle a tangle of cords for the sound system. Nobody was watching. Nobody would even know. Sam didn't care. He just wanted to make sure the assembly ran smoothly.

During the assembly, Alex's speech went perfectly. Teachers nodded, students clapped politely, and he felt proud. Later, however, he noticed the assembly had gone off without a hitch because Sam had quietly solved problem after problem behind the

scenes – keeping the younger kids calm, helping the tech run smoothly, and even comforting a nervous student about to perform.

Alex realised something: all his effort to look “good” had been loud, visible, and full of ego. Sam's humble actions had gone unnoticed by most, but they had made the biggest difference.

That afternoon, the principal echoed a truth Jesus teaches in Luke 18:14:

*“For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”*

True greatness isn't in being seen, praised, or recognised – it's in serving others with a humble heart.

Alex quietly thanked Sam and, for the first time, felt the joy of helping without needing applause. Sam smiled and shrugged. “It's not about me. It's about everyone doing their part.”

And in that moment, the whole hall – students, teachers, and volunteers – learned that humility can change a day, a school, a parish ... even a life.

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## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

*(27 October - 2 November)*

- **Monday, 27:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17)
- **Tuesday, 28:** Sts Simon and Jude (Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19)
- **Wednesday, 29:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30)
- **Thursday, 30:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 8:31-39; Lk 13:31-35)
- **Friday, 31:** Weekday, Ord Time 30 (Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6)
- **Saturday, 01:** ALL SAINTS (Rev 7:2-4, 9-14; Mt 5:1-12)
- **Sunday 02:** COMMEMORATION of ALL the FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day) (Isaiah 25:6-9; Romans 5:5-11; Luke 7:11-17)



## 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