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

CHILD PROTECTION

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WEEKEND MASSES

Kingscote at 9.30am

CONFESSION

Kingscote at 9.00am
(prior to Mass)



FIRST READING

Joshua 5:9-12

The Lord said to Joshua, 'Today I have taken the shame of Egypt away from you.'

The Israelites pitched their camp at Gilgal and kept the Passover there on the fourteenth day of the month, at evening in the plain of Jericho. On the morrow of the Passover they tasted the produce of that country, unleavened bread and roasted ears of corn, that same day. From that time, from their first eating of the produce of that country, the manna stopped falling. And having manna no longer, the Israelites fed from that year onwards on what the land of Canaan yielded.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33:2-7

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. It is all God's work. It was God who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the work of handing on this reconciliation. In other words, God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, not holding men's faults against them, and

he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. So we are ambassadors for Christ; it is as though God were appealing through us, and the appeal that we make in Christ's name is: be reconciled to God. For our sake God made the sinless one into sin, so that in him we might become the goodness of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 15:18

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I will rise and go to my father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

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Bulletin Board

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Bill Roestenburg, Peter Weatherstone, Maureen Slagter, Melanie Howson

March anniversaries: Peter Beinke, Kieren Berden, Ellen Clarke, Peter Clark, Ellen Denholm, Inez Frawley, Kathleen Gannon, Archbishop Gleeson, Alec Grant, Keith Hornby, Gladys Leurn, Jean Lonzar, Patrick Lyden, Kath Northcott, Stephen Northcott, Denis O'Brien, James Palmer, Dilly Reynolds, Richard Semler, Sylvester Shannon, Peter Slagter, Cathy Smythe, Eunice Trethewey, Edie Willson, Glad Nash ... and all the faithful departed.

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
27/3	M Glynn	P Bennett	H Mumford

Covid Marshal
27/3 P Bennett

PRIEST ROSTER

(Often this roster changes

if something unforeseen crops up)

27/3	Fr Anthoni
03/4	Fr My Tran
10/4	Fr Chris Hovat
Holy Thursday	Bishop Greg O'Kelly
Good Friday	Bishop Greg O'Kelly
Holy Saturday	Bishop Greg O'Kelly
17/4	Bishop Greg O'Kelly

PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Prayers for Healing and Renewal in the Church - Thursdays at 9.00am

FROM FR ANTHONI

On behalf of Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish, I extend a warm welcome to all the families, friends, visitors and holiday makers.



In the Liturgy today we read chapter 15 of the Gospel of Luke, which contains three parables of mercy; the lost sheep, the lost coin, and then the longest of them, characteristic of St Luke, the parable of the father of two sons, the 'prodigal' son and the son who believes he is "righteous", who believes he is saintly. All three of

these parables speak of the joy of God. God is joyful. This is interesting: God is joyful! And what is the joy of God? The joy of God is forgiving, the joy of God is forgiving! The joy of a shepherd who finds his little lamb; the joy of a woman who finds her coin; it is the joy of a father welcoming home the son who was lost, who was as though dead and has come back to life, who has come home. Here is the entire Gospel! Here! The whole Gospel, all of Christianity, is here!

Jesus is all mercy, Jesus is all love: he is God made man. Each of us, each one of us, is that little lost lamb, the coin that was mislaid; each one of us is that son who has squandered his freedom on false idols, illusions of happiness, and has lost everything. But God does not forget us, the Father never abandons us. He is a patient father, always waiting for us! He respects our freedom, but he remains faithful forever. And when we come back to him, he welcomes us like children into his house, for he never ceases, not for one instant, to wait for us with love.

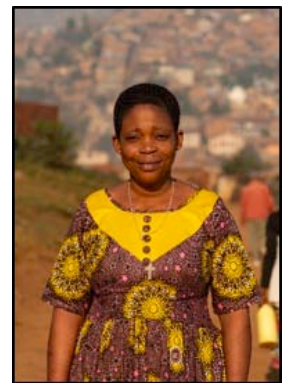
What is the danger? It is that we presume we are righteous and judge others. We also judge God, because we think that he should punish sinners, condemn them to death, instead of forgiving. So 'yes' then we risk staying outside the Father's house! Like the older brother in the parable, who rather than being content that his brother has returned, grows angry with the father who welcomes him and celebrates. If in our heart there is no mercy, no joy of forgiveness, we are not in communion with God, even if we observe all of his precepts, for it is love that saves, not the practice of precepts alone. It is love of God and neighbour that brings fulfilment to all the Commandments.

If we live according to the law "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth", we will never escape from the spiral of evil. The evil one is clever, and deludes us into thinking that with our human justice we can save ourselves and save the world! In reality, only the justice of God can save us! And the justice of God is revealed in the Cross: the Cross is the judgement of God on us all and on this world. But how does God judge us? By giving his life for us! Here is the supreme act of

justice that defeated the prince of this world once and for all; and this supreme act of justice is the supreme act of mercy. Jesus calls us all to follow this path: "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (Lk 6:36). I now ask of you one thing. In silence, let's all think... everyone think of a person with whom we are annoyed, with whom we are angry, someone we do not like. Let us think of that person and in silence, at this moment, let us pray for this person and let us become merciful with this person.
(Pope Francis' Homilies)

Fr Anthoni

PROJECT COMPASSION



Rosalie 44, is an ex-combatant who lives with her husband and seven children in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Forced to join the army when she was just 15-years-old, Rosalie experienced significant trauma and hardship during her years in the military. After she was demobilised from the army, Rosalie, like other ex-combatants, was left to fend for herself in the community. With your generous support and through our local partners, Rosalie was able to connect with other



members of her community and participate in business skills training to help her to reintegrate into society.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help women like Rosalie to succeed in the future, providing hope For All Future Generations. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

MARIAN PROCESSION

Sunday, 22 May, 2.00pm

Each year the Archdiocese hosts the annual Marian Procession in honour of Our Lady. This event has been running for almost 75 years and is one of the longest standing consecutive events in the Australian Catholic Church.

This year, in support of our Ukrainian brothers and sisters, the image that will lead our procession is *Vyshhorodska - Mother of God* carried by the Ukrainian Community in Adelaide. Assembly of Parishes will begin at 1.30pm and the procession will follow at 2.00pm. After a very successful change of location in 2021, the Procession will again be held at the Adelaide Showgrounds.

Those who wish to can book in online via this link www.trybooking.com/BPJAN. The Procession will take place in the Main Arena. However, if the weather is inclement, the procession will be moved to the Wayville Pavilion.

LENTEN STUDIES

The Inter Church Committee are proposing to have Lenten Studies involving all our Churches. The studies will run until 14th April. The study book "Repairing the Breach", by Anglican Board of Missions, costs \$10. Forms are available at the back of the Church if you would like attend.

HIGH TEA AT THE MONASTERY

Join us on the first Sunday of the month for a High Tea at The Monastery in our beautiful Sacred Garden. \$55 per person includes a glass of sparkling wine on arrival, barista-made coffee and tea and an array of high tea classics to enjoy. Our first reservation will be May 1 from 1.00pm - 3.00pm. Please contact



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 RESURRECTION OF CHRIST BRINGS FORGIVENESS

The resurrection of Jesus has many dimensions. At one level, it was a physical event. The dead body of Jesus was raised, the cosmic universe at its deepest level suddenly had a new set of laws, and the very atoms of this universe, as nature first arranged them, were rearranged. Something radically new, physically new, as radical, and new as the original creation, appeared within history. This aspect should never be understated.

However, the resurrection was also a spiritual event and that too is important. In the resurrection of Jesus, we are given not just the potential for a resurrected body and a resurrected cosmos, we are also given the possibility of forgiveness, of being forgiven and of forgiving each other. That new possibility and its radical novelty should also never be understated. From the beginning of time until Jesus' resurrection, dead bodies stayed dead. And from Adam and Eve until that same resurrection, wounded and dead hearts stayed wounded and dead. All that has now changed. There are new possibilities.

What is new in the resurrection is not just the unbelievable new possibility of physical resurrection.

The resurrection gives us to the equally unbelievable possibility of the newness of life that forgiving and being forgiven brings. In our day to day lives that is how we are asked to appropriate the resurrection of Jesus, by forgiving and by letting ourselves be forgiven.

In Mark's account of the death and resurrection, our human condition is symbolized by a young man who was following Jesus' journey to the cross from a safe distance. At a certain point this young man, who is wearing only a white linen cloth, is seized. He escapes his captors and flees naked, leaving the cloth behind. That betrayal is yours and mine. But we next meet him on Easter Sunday, sitting on the tomb of the resurrected Jesus, wearing again his linen cloth, and announcing to the whole world that Jesus has been raised, that an unbelievable newness has burst into our world, and that there is something even beyond our wounds, sins, and betrayals.

The chain of anger has been broken.

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

the office on 8338 8700 or conference@themonastery.com.au to book your table.

DATES

- 2 Mar - 16 Apr Project Compassion
- 10 Apr Palm Sunday
- 14 Apr Last day School Term 1
- 14 Apr Holy Thursday
- 15 Apr Good Friday
- 15 Apr Good Friday Appeal
- 16 Apr Holy Saturday
- 17 Apr Easter Day
- 18 Apr Easter Monday
- 25 Apr ANZAC Day
- 2 May First day School Term 2
- 8 May Vinnies Winter Appeal
- 22 May Propagation of Faith Appeal
- 13 Jun Queen's birthday holiday
- 3 Jul NATSICC Appeal
- 8 Jul Last day School Term 2
- 10 Jul Apostleship of Sea Appeal

- 25 Jul First day School Term 3
- 14 Aug Appeal for Vocations
- Sep Catholic Charities
- 30 Sep Last day School Term 3
- 3 Oct Labour Day holiday
- 13 Nov Vinnies Christmas Appeal



COMPLIANCE WITH COVID-19 REGULATIONS

(Current from 22/3/22)

- As of March 12 there are no density limits for places of worship. Churches may return to full capacity.
- Wearing of masks is mandatory. (An official medical certificate must be produced on request, if claiming an exemption.)
- Attendees at indoor religious services may sing during worship, if they wear masks while doing so.
- Please keep in mind the importance of social distancing and good hygiene practices.
- There should be no shaking of hands or holding hands during the Mass.
- Every gathering must record contact details - either with the QR code for smart phones, or the handwritten log -both located at the entrance to the Church
- Hand sanitizer is available at Church entrances.
- Offertory procession will be omitted. Communion is given only in hands. Precious Blood will not be distributed.
- Collection plates will not be passed around.
- Holy Water is not available at the doors of churches.
- Sick and high risk/vulnerable people should be encouraged not to attend.
- The Archdiocese recommends Covid vaccination for all (please check with your GP if you have concerns).
- Obligation for Sunday Mass for the laity HAS NOT BEEN RE-INVOKED at this stage. You may wish to access:
[Mass for You at Home – The official website of Mass For You At Home, Australia](#) online and on Channel 10 every Sunday at 6 am.

COVIDSAFE
Let's continue to be a church

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“When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, “How many of my father’s paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants.” So he left the place and went back to his father.

“While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son.” But the father said to his servants, “Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found.” And they began to celebrate.

“Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. “Your brother has come” replied the servant “and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound.” He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, “Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening.”

“The father said, “My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your

brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found.””

COMING HOME

Think of a time when you’ve been unexpectedly, generously, undeservedly forgiven. I remember a dreadful day at university when I hurt my closest friend. Nadine was from a Pentecostal Christian tradition, and I, in a ham-fisted attempt to “defend the faith,” told her all about the theological errors as there were abundantly clear to me after twelve years or narrow-minded schooling. (Lucky for me, no one was in the room at the time to point out mine!) This “correction” caused my friend a great deal of pain, since I patently rejected her sincere walk with Jesus. I retired to my room feeling curiously awful about being very “right” about God. Thank God one of us understood something about the nature of Christianity. Later that evening, Nadine sought me out and put her arm around me. We both cried together about the spirit of self-righteousness that had made me willing to forsake our friendship. You don’t make that mistake twice in a lifetime. When you understand the love that’s yours in the arms of God, you don’t leave home again.

Lent is the season to get right with God and others. Only you know the places where your heart is broken. Sometimes we need to reconcile with people who have died. It’s never too late to forgive. *GPBS eNews*

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

(28 March - 03 April)

- **Monday, 28:** Monday, 4th week Lent (Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54)
- **Tuesday, 29:** Tuesday, 4th week Lent (Ezek 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-3, 5-16)
- **Wednesday, 30:** Wednesday, 4th week Lent (Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30)
- **Thursday, 31:** Thursday, 4th week Lent (Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47)
- **Friday, 01:** Friday, 4th week Lent (Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30)
- **Saturday, 02:** Saturday 4th week Lent (Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-52)
- **Sunday, 03:** FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11)

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