

27th June 2021
Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Listening to God's Word
Growing in Faith



Reaching out to All

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PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

St Columba's Adamstown

St Kevin's Cardiff

St James' Kotara

PARISH HIGH SCHOOLS

St Pius X Adamstown

St Paul's Booragul

[Links are on our Website](#)

ALL SAINTS PARISH BLACKBUTT SOUTH
Faith Communities of Adamstown, Cardiff, Kotara

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Kotara 5.30pm; Sunday Adamstown 8.00am;

Sunday Cardiff 9.30am

Sunday Adoration Kotara 5.30pm (during Winter)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30am Adamstown; Wednesday 7.00am Kotara

Wednesday 9.30am Adamstown; Thursday Cardiff 9.30am; Friday

9.15am Kotara; Saturday, 3rd July - First Anniversary Mass 9.30am

Kotara Rosary at 9.10am

**Solemnity of
Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

**Patron of the Church of Maitland-
Newcastle**

The title Our Lady of Perpetual Help (also known as the Virgin of the Passion) came to prominence when in 1866 Pius IX entrusted the icon, then newly discovered, to the Redemptorists.



The icon shows four holy figures: the Virgin Mother of God, the Christ Child and the Archangels Michael and Gabriel. Mary is shown looking away from her Son to ourselves, ready to help us in time of need. Mary is showing her Son to us, directing us to Jesus the Word who liberates us through his suffering and death. Mary is the faithful disciple, ever open to the Word of God in her life.

Mary is clearly an important woman. She is set on a gold background, a symbol of heaven in the Middle Ages. She is dressed in dark blue robes with a green lining and a red tunic. Blue, green and red were royal colours. Mary is dressed as an empress. The eight-point star on her forehead was probably added by a later artist to represent the Eastern insight that Mary is the star that leads us to Jesus.

The icon invites us to run to Mary in any of life's troubles. People come to Mary not so she can cling to us, but so that her open hands might accompany us to an open life. Over time, an open life will bring us to our own integrity before God and the world. Such is the grace of it! That is why people come in their thousands bringing with them the heartaches of the world. That is why they leave as a community restored in hope. The world's little ones, in their response to the icon, proclaim as one that Mary is indeed perpetual help.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, as the patron of our 'Particular Church', is celebrated in our diocese June 27, and in the diocese has the ranking of an obligatory Solemnity which includes First Vespers. In the Table of Precedence it ranks above Sundays of Ordinary Time.

To protect the people of NSW from the evolving COVID-19 outbreak, new restrictions have been introduced. See NSW Health for details.

⇒ Stay home if unwell.

⇒ You are encouraged to wear a face mask when attending Mass.

Parish News

SICK/SPECIAL NEEDS: *We remember in prayer ...*

Leonie Pickett, Veronica Hipwell, Karen Curran, Algi & Geraldine Bajelis, Mick King, Margaret McLellan, Jan Hobson, Lewis Peel (Purcell), Rita Martin, Emma Pacifico, Lorraine Caldwell, Emilinda Peralta, Loris Jackson, Linda McDonald, Dean Hart, Barry Moore, Chris Patsan, Catherine Hobbs, Bernadette Coffey, Dorota Bakowska, Abby Rodwell, Gae Alderton, Ernestina Klein, Alexander Klein, Nance Schreiber, Maria Richardson, Stanislaw Ksiadz, Maria Kanonczuk, Penny Harrison, Rocco Laudadio, Baby Milo, Carmel Allan

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kathy O'Connell, Dorothy McCosker

ANNIVERSARIES: Henry Bojkowski, Glennis Gleeson, Ken Merrion

27/06/2021	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Barry Bourke	Helen Woodham	Bruce Foat
Reader	Therese Nolan Diana Hannigan	Sharon Murphy Catherine Lerch	Jessica Moulder Nance Schrieber
Extraordinary Minister	Paul Smith	Sr Clare McCudden	Henryka Bradley
Counters	Hamilton Koelmeyer	Mary Nixon	Narelle Robb, Patricia Hines, Paul Crosbie
04/07/2021	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Dot Reynolds	Elizabeth Doyle	Marilyn Thomson
Reader	Basia Wedesweiler Barry Bourke	Paul Gleeson Helen Woodham	Wayne Caruana Susanna Caruana
Extraordinary Minister	Narelle Smith	Leo Caldwell	Narelle Heard
Counters	Kathy Kelly, Paula O'Neill, Francine Goodman	N/A	N/A

NAIDOC Week is an occasion for all Australians to come together to show care for Country. This year's theme calls for all of us to continue to seek greater protection of our lands, our waters, our sacred sites, to be protected against exploitation, desecration and destruction.

Heal Country, heal our nation, is a way to join together and celebrate our Country as one nation.

We invite all Australians to connect to Country to join us to celebrate the beginning of NAIDOC Week, in an Ecumenical Service at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 841 Hunter St, Newcastle West 4 July from 1.30pm to 4.00pm. Commencing with music in the garden and smoking ceremony to lead us into an ecumenical service followed by soup and damper.

NAIDOC Registration - is essential for catering purposes and to comply with COVID restrictions.

EVENT DETAILS

Date and time

Sun 4 July 2021

1:30 pm – 4:00 pm AEST

Location

Sacred Heart Cathedral and Cathedral House
841 Hunter St
Newcastle West, NSW 2302



RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/naidoc-week-heal-country-heal-our-nation-tickets-157577367147?aff=NAIDOC2021>

Our Parish Notices

Planned Giving Envelopes with Tax Receipt Request Forms included have been available for collection from our churches for some weeks now.

Tax Receipt Requests: please return your request form for a tax receipt either by email or post to the Parish Office or via the collection buckets provided.

All requests for a tax receipt must be lodged with the Parish Office no later than this Wednesday 30 June.

The First Anniversary Mass at St Philip's will be celebrated next Saturday 3rd July, and will be offered for parishioners Warren Sheppard (husband of Christine), Sheila Kinsella (wife of Des), Lesley Todd (mother of Christine Brain), Terry Hart (husband of Carol) and Kevin Seymour, and for Trevor and Norma Welsh (parents of Barry Bourke). The Rosary will be prayed at 9.10am and Mass will be offered at 9.30am. All are welcome to this Mass to pray for the deceased, and with and for their families.

Parish Soup Lunch - Sunday 18th July St Kevin's Cottage Cardiff 12 noon.

Stay after 9.30am Mass for pre-lunch morning tea social which will then be followed by Soup Lunch Or might like to join us for lunch at noon. New sign up sheets at back of church.

Latest edition of **June Aurora** is available at the back of our Churches. Pick up your copy today!

ADAMSTOWN:

Thank You - On behalf of the Parish, Fr Joseph wishes to thank the following parishioners who removed 40 years of waste from beneath St Columba's Church last Saturday, 19 June: Paul Smith, Albert Erzetich, Martin Byron, Bernadette Maher, Kerina Marshall, Pacifico Curzi, Stan Heaney, Max McVie and Barry Bourke.

CARDIFF:

St Vincent de Paul Cardiff Conference— please note earlier start. Meetings will now commence at 4.30pm during winter months.

FAMILY GROUPS

Rainbow Soup Night - Saturday, 26 June, 6.30pm in Kotara Church Hall. Contact Helen M 0491 237 283.

DIOCESAN / OTHER NOTICES:

See Noticeboards or Visit Diocesan website : www.mn.catholic.org.au for full details on the following events:

1. Livestream Mass each Sunday 9.30am
2. Praying the Gospels
3. The Good Oil 2021 Writers Awards
4. Tribunal of the Catholic Church
5. Finding God in Australia / Retreat
6. Alive in the Spirit / Conference / 8-10 July
7. Office of Safeguarding Course :
Safeguarding in Parishes

SVdP Winter Appeal – 27th June and 4th July

With over two million people living below the poverty line in Australia, including over half a million children your donation towards the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVdP) Winter Appeal assists to provide more than immediate help, it provides something much more valuable – the opportunity of a better life. It offers people a second chance, a hand up and respect.

This winter we are in the shadow of coronavirus. As you are aware the members of the SVdP cannot assist those in need without your continued support and commitment. The Winter Appeal this year will provide emergency relief to people at risk and experiencing homelessness. Your donation will assist the SVdP volunteers to rebuild lives.

If you are in a position to make a contribution to the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal, please do so via one of the following options.

- phoning 131812
- going to the website www.vinnies.org.au
- using the envelopes at the entrances of our churches at Adamstown, Cardiff and Kotara give directly to the SVdP representative at the rear of the church as you leave after Mass

Donations of \$2.00 or more are tax deductible. Thank you for your donation and prayers.



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

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FIRST READING

Proverbs (8: 22-31)

The Wisdom of God cries aloud:
The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded,
before the oldest of his works.
From everlasting I was firmly set,
from the beginning, before earth came into being.
The deep was not, when I was born,
there were no springs to gush with water.
Before the mountains were settled,
before the hills, I came to birth;
before he made the earth, the countryside,
or the first grains of the world's dust.
When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there,
when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep,
when he thickened the clouds above,
when he fixed fast the springs of the deep,
when he assigned the sea its boundaries
- and the waters will not invade the shore -
when he laid down the foundations of the earth,
I was by his side, a master craftsman,
delighting him day after day,
ever at play in his presence,
at play everywhere in his world,
delighting to be with the sons of men.
The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I Sam 2: 1, 4- 8

My heart rejoices in the Lord, my Saviour.

My heart exults in the Lord,
I find my strength in my God;
my mouth laughs at my enemies
as I rejoice in your saving help.

The bows of the mighty are broken,
but the weak are clothed with strength.
Those with plenty must labour for bread,
but the hungry need work no more.
The childless wife has children now
but the fruitful wife bears no more.

It is the Lord who gives life and death,
he brings men to the grave and back;
it is the Lord who gives poverty and riches.
He brings men low and raises them on high.

He lifts up the lowly from the dust,
from the dung heap he raises the poor

to set him in the company of princes,
to give him a glorious throne.

My heart rejoices in the Lord, my Saviour.

SECOND READING

Acts (1:12-14)

After Jesus had ascended into heaven, the apostles went back to Jerusalem, a short distance away, no more than a Sabbath walk; and when they reached the city they went to the upper room where they were staying; there were Peter and John, James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James, son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Jude, son of James. All these joined in continuous prayer, together with some women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Blessed is the Virgin Mary

Who kept the word of God and pondered it in her heart.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John (19: 25- 27)

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleopas, and Mary of Magdala. Seeing his mother and the disciple he loved standing near her, Jesus said to his mother, 'Woman, this is your son'. Then to the disciple he said, 'This is your mother.' And from that moment the disciple made a place for her in his home.



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GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace to people
of good will
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great
glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father
Lord Jesus Christ,
Only begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most high
Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Amen

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord, who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again
from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the
living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.