

**1st August 2021**  
**18 Sunday Ordinary Time Yr B**

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

Listening to God's Word  
Growing in Faith



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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](#)



**SUNDAY MASSES**

*Saturday Vigil Kotara 5.30pm; Sunday Adamstown 8.00am;*

*Sunday Cardiff 9.30am; Kotara 4.30pm*

*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, 1st Saturday 9.30am Kotara*

**Your Retirement is not an end but a new beginning!**

Dear Anna,

I must write a special thank you note for "What a special and kind person you are!"

Thank you is a small word for all your services and sacrifices for our Parish. Unfortunately, I happened to be the priest giving you a sad farewell as if I'm losing a mother figure from the office, and this is a significant loss to our Parish too!

Thanks indeed for sharing your love, expertise and passion towards our Parish. My heartfelt thanks for all that you have done for all of us. We will always cherish your love and concern over these years. 35 Years of nonstop service is an excellent achievement for our Parish. I know you might have had many more challenging times on our office hot seat!! But God had been gracious and merciful through you to so many. I'm typing these words from my heart. Your memory and your loving service will remain in the hearts of so many, including me, the last priest who had a glimpse of your humane heart and love.

Retreats and retirements are necessary for all of us. I shall continue to pray for your Good Health, and I will approach you when I am helpless. Earlier your service is limited through the office, but now, your services are extended to the Parish. May God be with you and your family.

With Blessings, Prayer and Love,

Fr. Joseph Figurado PP

## 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, Maria Richardson, Stanislaw Ksiadz, Maria Kanonczuk, Penny Harrison, Rocco Laudadio, Baby Milo, Paula O'Neill, Ren'nee Dodge, Sharyn Trappel, Clare Sullivan

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Janina Iwanczuk (mother of Lucy Olejnik), Sr Ursula Kuter rsj

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Frank Kinsella, Joyce Johnson, Maria & Seph Gyselhart

**BAPTISM:** Elsie Christensen

01/08/2021	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Barry Bourke	Helen Woodham	Don Smith
Reader	Stan Heaney Therese Nolan	Sr Clare McCudden Anne Lamotte	Dever Family Gerard Mowbray
Extraordinary Minister	Preciosa Winter	Majella Maher	Siobhan Farrell
Counters	Dot Reynolds, Lynn Johns	N/A	N/A
08/08/2021	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Dot Reynolds	Elizabeth Doyle	Patrick Farrell
Reader	Christine Williams Diana Hannigan	Sharon Murphy Catherine Lerch	Bernard Burgess Emma South
Extraordinary Minister	Paul Smith	Angela Hall	Giavanna Angeli
Counters	Hamilton Koelmeyer Julie Malaspina	Mary Nixon	John Bourke, Mark Noonan, Val Menzies

### FAN THE FLAME TOWARDS PLENARY ASSEMBLY ONE

The Risen Christ gives us a mission to “go out into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation” (Mark 16:15). A prayerful and Eucharistic Church community is one that is equipped for mission — undertaking hands-on commitments among the human family. Our celebration of the Eucharist will always be incomplete while the poor go hungry, for “we cannot properly receive the Bread of Life without sharing bread for life with those in want” (Pedro Arrupe, 1976). The challenge will always be there to connect our prayer with action for justice, hearing “both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor” (Laudato Si’, 49). (p.12)

**Reflection** *The ethical and missionary implications of the Eucharist for the Church’s communion of faith will always be incomplete while the poor go hungry, for “we cannot properly receive the Bread of Life without sharing bread for life with those in want”. (Pedro Arrupe, “Address prior to Eucharistic Congress 1976”, The Portal to Jesuit Studies*



## Our Parish Notices

**From Fr Joseph**—With restricted numbers allowed at our Churches there will be an additional Mass at Kotara on **Sundays at 4.30pm** during this COVID-19 restricted period. First come first served 60 seat capacity.

**Changes to Parish Office Hours:** Anna is now on Long Service Leave until her pending retirement in January 2022. As a result, the Parish Office hours will be Monday to Wednesday, 9.00am to 3.00pm and **alternate** Thursdays (closed 12 noon to 1.00pm). Louise will be unavailable this Wednesday, 4 August due to training. **Please note, there is restricted access for visitors due to the current COVID-19 outbreak.** Please contact us via phone 4954 0977 or email [asbsparish@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:asbsparish@mn.catholic.org.au) during normal office hours. In an emergency contact Fr Joseph on 0438 769 992.

### COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Thank you to all who have been so adaptable to the changing circumstances we find ourselves in, and for all the efforts that will continue during the current tightening of restrictions.

**Bookings for Sunday Masses** are not being taken and entry will be on a first come basis. QR Code on Entry is required.

Capacity of our Churches

- ⇒ **Adamstown 60**
- ⇒ **Kotara 60**
- ⇒ **Cardiff 42**

**URGENT - Counting Teams of at least two people** are urgently needed to assist with counting at St Columba's, Adamstown following the recent forced retirement of two counters. Teams are also needed at Kotara and Cardiff but the need is most pressing at Adamstown where this is a weekly task and we now only have two teams. If you can help, please call the Parish Office this week.

**New Mass Ministry Rosters for the period 1 August - 24 October** have been emailed. There are some copies at the back of churches

**Kotara Bereavement Support Group** meets this Tuesday, 3 August, 6.00pm at Kotara. New members welcome.

**Marian Movement of Priests** was held at Kotara last Friday.

### DIOCESAN / OTHER NOTICES:

See Noticeboards or : [www.mn.catholic.org.au](http://www.mn.catholic.org.au)

1. Livestream Mass each Sunday 9.30am
2. Seasons of Creation—Film Competition
3. aMeN CaMiNo 2022 Information Session
4. Praying the Gospels
5. The Good Oil 2021 Writers Award

6. Tribunal of the Catholic Church
7. Office of Safeguarding Course: Safeguarding in Parishes
8. Sacred Stories—Sacred Spaces
9. Dying to know Day

### Seasons of Creation – Film Competition

Do you love making TikTok videos or short films? Amidst the climate crisis and the coronavirus pandemic, our sisters and brothers are clamoring for hope and restoration. NOW is the time to come together and take action! #SeasonOfCreation. You are invited to participate in a film contest which involves creating a 2-minute film that explores the 2021 Seasons of Creation theme – A Home for All.

For more information, visit <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/adult-faith-formation/upcoming-events/> or contact [rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au)

### aMeN caMiNo 2022: Information Session

The aMeN caMiNo takes place over five consecutive days. The pilgrimage starts at St John's Chapel, Maitland and concludes at the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Hamilton. Pilgrims will walk an average of 20km per day through the beautiful landscape of bush, beach and beyond which we are blessed to have in our backyard.

For those interested in finding out about the 2022 aMeN caMiNo experiences, we will be holding an online Information Session on Saturday 28 August at 2pm.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/amen-camino-information-session-tickets-162230268099>

**Office of Safeguarding Course: Safeguarding in Parishes** Who is this for: If you are a paid or unpaid worker of a parish who has not yet attended any Safeguarding training, formerly Child Protection training, or need to update your training this is for you.

How do I register: Registrations are made via [HR-Training@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:HR-Training@mn.catholic.org.au)

If I have a question: For information about the course or questions in relation to your participation, or to check on your attendance history, please call the Office of Safeguarding directly on 4979 1390 or email at [oosgtraining@mn.catholic.org.au](mailto:oosgtraining@mn.catholic.org.au).

Current available sessions for 2021:

Tuesday 10 August - Diocesan Offices, Murray Room, Newcastle West, 10am-2pm

Tuesday 10 August - St James PS Muswellbrook, 10am-2pm

Saturday 14 August - St James PS Muswellbrook, 10am-2pm

Refreshments will be provided.

## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR B

### FIRST READING Ex 16:2-4. 12-15.

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death! Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' 'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God.'" And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54. R. v.24

**The Lord gave them bread from heaven.**

1. The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might.
  2. He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven.
  3. Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won.
- The Lord gave them bread from heaven.**

### SECOND READING Eph 4:17, 20-24

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

### Gospel Jn 6:24-35

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst. When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'



### 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.