

22nd August 2021
21st Sunday Ordinary Time Yr B

ALL SAINTS PARISH BLACKBUTT SOUTH

Faith Communities of Adamstown, Cardiff, Kotara

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



SUNDAY MASSES (Cancelled UFN)

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 (Cancelled UFN)

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

"Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life."

This week readings invite us to place our trust and faith on Jesus like St. Peter.

During this unprecedented time, our Spiritual Communion with Jesus is so essential. Here is a soul touching spiritual exercise that will enhance our fidelity.

Let us pray :

The Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

With prayers and love in the Lord, Fr Joseph.

All Saints Holy Mass - Sunday 10.00 AM

(from the Presbytery due to Zoom facilities)

Time: Aug 22, 2021 10:00 AM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73091127218?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73091127218?pwd=citmd0NackpoWk1KRW0raFpHczNkZz09)

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Meeting ID: 730 9112 7218

Passcode: MASS

Fr. Joseph's Weekday Chat

Time: This is a recurring meeting, meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76501513067?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76501513067?pwd=UHVkWEhsbVhIZFNBOFR3c25uZDJ5QT09)

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Meeting ID: 765 0151 3067

Passcode: PPCatchup



Happy Birthday, Fr Joseph!

On your birthday (Thursday, 26 August) we pray that your day is filled with joy and peace and we give thanks to God for all you bring to our lives.

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, Paula O'Neill, Ren'nee Dodge, Sharyn Trappel, Clare Sullivan

RECENTLY DECEASED: Michael Gore

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Kathleen Moran, Klara Palka, Sr Josephine Gallagher sj

22/08/2021	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator			
Readers			
Extraordinary Minister			
Counters			
29/08/2021	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Vickie Pettett	Anne Lamotte	Giavanna Angeli
Readers	Louise Byron Paul Smith	Ben Lerch Sr Carmel Moore	Peter Cunningham Wendy Hopkins
Extraordinary Minister	Albert Erzetich	Len McCullum	Narelle Heard
Counters	Hamilton Koelmeyer Julie Malaspina	N/A	N/A

FAN THE FLAME TOWARDS PLENARY ASSEMBLY ONE

Plenary Document Reflection

Instrumentum Laboris

Catholics yearn to meet God in daily life, and as such need encouragement through appropriate faith formation. Through this formation, God can shape us into deepening our spirituality within the life of the Church, engaging with scripture, encountering God in worship and prayerfully developing our living relationship with Jesus Christ. Many long to be nourished by good preaching and beautiful music within the liturgy, and to experience deeply a sense of the sacred. (pp.5-6)

Proposals for Change: Develop further liturgical and prayerful events which are not dependent on clergy. a. Commission and call appropriately trained lay people to lead Liturgies of the Word with or without the distribution of Holy Communion. b. Provide formal approval and

encouragement for⁶¹ suitably qualified lay women and men to break open the Word within the community, supporting parishioners to share reflections on the Word out of their experience. (p.15)

A Joyful, Hope-filled & Servant Community

The call to service is nourished by the deepening of our personal relationship with God through the Word and the Sacraments. (p.7)

The Church's deepest nature is expressed in her three-fold responsibility: of proclaiming the Word of God..., celebrating the sacraments..., and exercising the ministry of charity.... These duties presuppose each other and are inseparable.

⁶¹ Benedict XVI, 2005 *Encyclical Letter, God is Love – Deus Caritas Est*, n. 25a.



Our Parish Notices

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

All Masses have now been cancelled pending further announcements from NSW Government. Please stay home and stay safe.

National Day of Prayer - The Church Together

This Sunday 22 August, Australia's Churches are invited to pray for our local, national and global communities experiencing great need and distress caused by COVID-19.

This is an initiative of a broad range of Christian communities and includes the involvement of the National Council of Churches Australia. The theme is Lord Have Mercy; and it calls on us to be especially united in prayer, both individually and, where we are able, in our liturgies.

There will also be an online gathering, with church leaders offering prayers and reflections at various times during the day.

We know very well the suffering that the current situation has brought to our community: both for those who have been infected by the virus and for their families, as well as those whose psychological and economic well-being has been disrupted. We also look beyond our shores to the devastation in other countries, who lack the resources we have.

"Our eyes look to the Lord our God until he shows us his mercy." — Ps. 123:2

How to get involved

On Sunday 22 August 2021 from 9AM – 9PM, the National Day of Prayer & Fasting team will host a **Zoom Prayer call** featuring Church leaders and Indigenous Christian Leaders. Come for a short while or come for a long while. Let us join in prayer for our nation.

To register for these event, visit: <http://www.nationaldayofprayer.org.au/LordHaveMercy/>

N.B. You will need to scroll to the BOTTOM of the web page to register for this event . It will also be available to watch on YouTube.

Invitation - Light a Candle for Afghanistan -

Former RAAF Chaplain, and now Parish Priest of Boolaroo-Warners Bay and Booragul Parishes, Fr Greg Barker, invites everyone to light a candle nightly at 6.00pm in solidarity with the people of Afghanistan and our veterans. You may like to take a photo and send it to Fr Greg to share E parish.boolaroo@mn.catholic.org.au

Social Justice Sunday, next Sunday 29

August: The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, '*Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*', invites us to join in responding to Pope Francis' invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by seven

Laudato Si' Goals. The Statement provides theological foundations to ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded.

For more information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, P 6201 9845 or go to www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

DIOCESAN / OTHER NOTICES:

For more details, see Noticeboards or <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/news-events/bulletin-notices/>

1. Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am at <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/>
2. CatholicCare Social Services Hunter-Manning August Appeal 2021
3. Engage Your Heart in Leadership
4. Engaging Your Faith : Online Series
5. "Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love) Family Year" 19 March 2021- 26 June 2022
6. Australian Catholic Men's Gathering
7. The Chosen – Series One Discussion Group
8. Seasons of Creation – Film Competition
9. aMeN caMiNo 2022: Information Session
10. Praying the Gospels

Join Our Diocesan Councils: Our Diocesan Councils need you! Becoming a Council volunteer is a wonderful opportunity to not only meet fellow members who share your interests, but also to make a difference in an area you're passionate about! Pastoral Ministries are seeking expressions of interest for these Councils:

- Diocesan Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Ministry Council
- Diocesan Adult Faith Formation Council
- Diocesan Council for Ministry with Young People
- Diocesan Council for Women
- Diocesan Ecumenical and Interfaith Council
- Diocesan Social Justice Council

For more information, go to <https://www.mnnews.today/media/2860522/32429-pm-diocesan-council-info-pack-a4-flyer-web.pdf> or call Jenny Harris P 4979 1334.

Engage Your Heart in Leadership - You're invited to the fifth biennial **Mission: one heart many voices conference**. The conference will be online and you can register now. Join us from: Wednesday 1 – Friday 3 September, 2021. Go to <https://2021.mohmv.com.au/>

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FIRST READING Jos 24:1-2, 15-18

A reading from the book of Joshua

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people: 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.'

The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33:2-3, 16-23. R. v.9

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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.
2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The Lord turns his eyes to the just
and his ears to their appeal.
3. They call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress.
The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
4. Many are the trials of the just man
but from them all the Lord will rescue him.
He will keep guard over all his bones,
not one of his bones shall be broken.
5. Evil brings death to the wicked;
those who hate the good are doomed.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

SECOND READING Eph 5:21-32

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their hus-

bands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION See Jn 6:63, 68

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your words, Lord,
are spirit and life:
you have the words of
everlasting life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Jn 6:60-69

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?'

'It is the spirit that gives life,
the flesh has nothing to offer.'

The words I have spoken to you are spirit
and they are life.

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'



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.