

29th August 2021
22nd Sunday Ordinary Time Yr B

Listening to God's Word
Growing in Faith



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St Columba's Adamstown

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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 (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

Fr. Joseph Figurado is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Fr. Joseph Figurado's week days chat

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 765 0151 3067

Passcode: PPCatchup

7.00 PM - 8.00 PM

Sunday Mass - Every Sunday at 10.00 AM

(from the Presbytery due to Zoom facilities)

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Meeting ID: 263 494 8696

Passcode: MASS

Scriptural context – Mark's Audience

It is widely believed that the Gospel of Mark was written for a predominantly Greek-speaking, Gentile audience. Today's gospel passage is a perfect example of literary evidence that has been used to establish this position. The gospel writer clearly explains the Jewish practice of washing to the elbows before eating and ritual cleansing upon return from the marketplace where they would have encountered Gentiles. Obviously, a Jewish audience would not need this explanation. This practice of looking for information about the author and their audience within the text itself is a form of Literary Criticism.

Gospel Focus – The things within

We live in a culture that is very quick to lay blame on external factors; some people are very reluctant to accept responsibility for their own actions and look for opportunities to distance themselves from feelings of guilt or even regret. Jesus makes it very clear that evil intentions – the things that make a person 'unclean' – actually come from within. He presents a confronting list of the things that come from within and we may be able to add others relevant to our own time. In our culture of no personal responsibility, Jesus challenges us to rethink just where the buck does stop.

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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, Stanisława Ksiadz, Maria Kanonczuk, Penny Harrison, Paula O'Neill, Ren'nee Dodge, Sharyn Trappel, Clare Sullivan

RECENTLY DECEASED: Maxime Robinson (wife of Gary), Carmel Godwin

ANNIVERSARIES: Belle Francis

29/08/2021	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator			
Readers			
Extraordinary			
Counters			
5/9/2021	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator			
Readers			
Extraordinary Minister			
Counters			

Social Justice Statement 2021-2022 - Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor

In their Social Justice Statement for 2021–22, *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, the Australian Catholic Bishops say, “the signs of the times are clear - we know that we human beings need a change of heart, mind, and behaviour”. 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.

The Bishops invite us to join them in responding to Pope Francis’ invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by seven Laudato Si’ Goals. The Goals are: response to the cry of the earth; response to the cry of the poor; ecological economics; sustainable lifestyles; ecological spirituality; ecological education; and community engagement and participatory action.

Scripture, the theological tradition, Catholic social justice teaching, and the wisdom of the world - including insights of the First Nations - are all placed in dialogue with human experience. Four theological foundations for a genuinely Christian response to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor emerge from this dialogue. They are: creation in and through the Trinity; the sacramentality of all created things; the wonder and beauty available to the contemplative eye; and the need for conversion and change of life.

Catholic families, communities and organisations are encouraged to: listen to the First Nations; reflect on the theological foundations offered by the Bishops; and, plan their next steps towards the Laudato Si’ Goals.

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Our Parish Notices

Social Justice Sunday, this 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

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

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

Parish Office Staffing - due to the current lockdown, the Diocese has reduced the parish office hours to 2 days (Tuesdays & Wednesdays) per week. As the bulletin will be distributed during Wednesday, please have all bulletin requests lodged by 10.00am on Wednesday. Please let us know if there is anyone who would like to receive the bulletin via email. It will also be posted on the parish website allsaintsblackbutsouth.org.au when time allows.

DIOCESAN / OTHER NOTICES:

Season of Creation 2021 Launch | 10:00AM
Wednesday, 1 September
<https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/65971747861>
Password: 533823

Pints with a Purpose | Explore Season of Creation with Rose McAllister - The Season of Creation is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment. MN Catholic Youth welcome Rose McAllister (Manager- Formation and Education) who will explore this year's theme; inviting us to consider how we can celebrate this season so we are caring for our common home. 7.00pm on Monday, 6 September, for more information go to <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/pints-with-a-purpose-season-of-creation-tickets-168044011161>

For more details, go to
<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. aMeN caMiNo 2022: Information Session -

3. Saturday 22 August at 2pm
CatholicCare Social Services Hunter-Manning August Appeal 2021
4. Seasons of Creation Celebration
5. Join our Diocesan Councils
6. Haiti Earthquake Support | Caritas Australia
7. Humanitarian crises unfolding in Afghanistan and Lebanon
8. Engage Your Heart in Leadership
9. Engaging Your Faith : Online Series
10. "Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love) Family Year" 19 March 2021- 26 June 2022

FAN THE FLAME TOWARDS PLENARY ASSEMBLY ONE

Inclusive, Participatory & Synodal

God is calling the Church to do more than reiterate teaching or refine current practices. God is calling all Catholics to open their hearts to Jesus Christ and transform themselves and so breathe new life into a Christ-centred Church. Ultimately, the Church is the sacrament of Christ, because it is a community of people committed to following the way of Jesus, a Church that shows the holy face of God, a joy-filled Church, a Church for the poor, where each creative outreach to our brothers and sisters must thus always come with a constant turning back to the centre of Christ. (p.12)

Prayerful and Eucharistic

Our pilgrim Church can learn from Christ how to walk with all those who yearn for his company. "Unless we train ministers capable of warming people's hearts, of walking with them in the night, of dialoguing with their hopes and disappointments, of mending their brokenness, what hope can we have for our present and future journey?" (Pope Francis, Meeting with the Bishops of Brazil, Rio de Janeiro, 28 July 2013). (p.10)

At prayer and at Eucharist, we encounter Jesus Christ in our hearts. The heart is the place of truth, of encounter, of decision, and thus the place for listening and discernment; "it is the heart that prays" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nn. 2562-2563). Seeking help from the Holy Spirit, prayer can lead us to gratitude for God's gifts in daily life. We may ask for grace and so request "good things from God" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, n. 2559). "We do not know how to pray as we ought" (Romans 8:26), yet we may experience for ourselves the gift of prayer which is an encounter with God. (p.10)

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Social Justice Sunday - Year B

First Reading Dt 4:1-2. 6-8

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy
Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?

He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart.

2. He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord.

3. He who keeps his pledge,
come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever.

Second Reading Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

A reading from the letter of St James

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

Gospel Acclamation Jas 1:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

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.

