

13th March 2022
2nd Sunday of Lent Year C

ALL SAINTS PARISH BLACKBUTT SOUTH

Faith Communities of Adamstown, Cardiff, Kotara

Listening to God's Word
Growing in Faith



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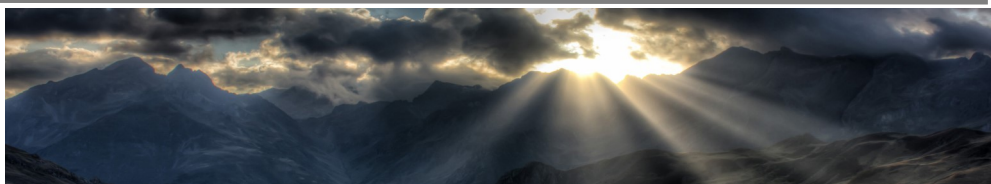
Tuesday - Thursdays 9.00am - 1pm
Until 27 March-

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 5.30pm Kotara
Sunday 8.00am Adamstown; 9.30am Cardiff

Adoration in recess until 20 March

WEEKDAY MASSES – Please note changes for 3 - 18 March

Wednesday 9.30am Adamstown
Friday 9.15am Kotara;
1st Saturday 9.00am Kotara

Gospel Reflection

In all three versions of this Transfiguration event that appear in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, the context in which the event occurs is identical. That's a little unusual with these three gospel writers who like to put their own spin on events and often play with the chronology or settings of events. However, in this case, all three writers report the Transfiguration event as taking place immediately after a particular sequence of events. Jesus has asked the disciples who they think he is and Peter has made his confession of faith by declaring that Jesus is the Messiah. This declaration is followed by Jesus teaching about the demands of discipleship and then the account of the Transfiguration. Furthermore, all three versions are directly followed by an account of a man who brings his possessed son to Jesus for healing after the disciples have tried and failed to cast out the demon.

When all three of the synoptic gospels use the same story with little variation and all three retain the same context around the event then there are some pretty clear signals that this was a commonly accepted sequence of events and their sequence holds significance. The core message of this sequence of stories is about the faith of the disciples. Whilst Peter declares Jesus to be the Messiah, he and the others don't really yet know what this means. In the Transfiguration, they are given the clearest possible indication of Jesus' identity and yet they're half asleep and we're told Peter doesn't know what he's saying when he starts talking about building tents. The following failure by the disciples to cast out a demon shows that they still haven't understood fully who and what Jesus is. What a great reading for the season of Lent

Living the Gospel – 'Listen to him!'

God's voice from the cloud claims Jesus as his Son, the Chosen One and then goes on to instruct those present – and we, the readers – to 'Listen to him!' For the disciples, this was a message not to get carried away with their own ideas about the Messiah but to listen to what Jesus was saying about the suffering he must endure and to what he was saying about true discipleship. Jesus tells us that to be a follower of his involves sacrifice, hardship and often unpopularity. It is this message we must listen to as much as the promise of salvation. © Liturgy Help— Greg Sunter

Parish News

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

Leonie Pickett, Veronica Hipwell, Karen Curran, Algi & Geraldine Bajelis, Mick King, Jan Hobson, Lewis Peel (Purcell), Rita Martin, Emma Pacifico, Lorraine Caldwell, Loris Jackson, Linda McDonald, Dean Hart, Barry Moore, Chris Patsan, Catherine Hobbs, Bernadette Coffey, Dorota Bakowska, Gae Alderton, Ernestina Klein, Alexander Klein, Stanislaw Ksiadz, Maria Kanonczuk, Sharyn Trappel, Clare Sullivan, Craig Hart, Jill Heffernan, Helen Campbell, Laurel Dixon, Jarrad Bryant, Helen Woodham

ANNIVERSARIES: Norah Miner

RECENTLY DECEASED: Patrick Paul Henderson

<u>13/03/2022</u>	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Paul Smith	Sr Carmel Moore	Giavanna Angeli
Readers	Vickie Pettett Basia Wedesweiler	Anne Lamotte Paul Gleeson	Jessica Moulder Dever Family
Extraordinary Minister	Narelle Smith	Angela Hall	Siobhan Farrell
Counters	Hamilton Koelmeyer	NA	NA
<u>20/03/2022</u>	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Diana Hannigan	Paul Gleeson	Patrick Farrell
Readers	Paul Smith Julie Malaspina	Elizabeth Doyle Cathy Waugh	Nance Schreiber Wendy Hopkins
Extraordinary Minister	Stan Heaney	Len McCullum	Marilyn Thomson
Counters	Dot Reynolds Lynne Johns	Andrew & Sharon Murphy	John Bourke, Mark Noonan, Val Menzies



**2nd Sunday of Lent
9 & 10 March**



Biru 30, lives in a rural village in Jharkand State in India's east. He lost mobility in one of his legs, after contracting polio as a child, which makes it difficult for him to walk. With your generous support, Biru was able to access an entrepreneurship and livelihoods development program, run by Caritas Australia's partner, Caritas India. He gained the skills, support and encouragement he needed to establish his own bicycle repair business.

Now, Biru is able to provide a good life for his family – and an essential service to his community. He has discovered a sense of pride, confidence and hope which has inspired others living with a disability and paved the way ***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.

Our Parish Notices

Fr Joseph is now on sick leave until 18 March (following minor surgery). During this time Fr Gordon Quinn will celebrate Mass and look after emergencies during the day time. If there is an emergency (of Prime importance) at night, call Father Joseph, and he shall arrange someone to assist you. **During Father Joseph's absence: the Tuesday (9.30am) & Wednesday (7.00am) Masses will be cancelled, and Adoration is in recess until 20 March.**

Thursday 9.30 Mass at Cardiff cancelled for this week only. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10.30am for Patrick Henderson.

Louise is on leave until Tuesday, 29 March. Anna will commence working on a casual basis for a few hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays to help Father Joseph.

The Way of The Cross, like last year, will continue after weekday Mass in each Mass centre during Lent. Volunteers, please come forward to help do this.

The Feast of St Joseph - A Mass and parish celebration will be held on the Saturday, 19 March 9.00am at St Philip's church Kotara. Morning tea to follow so please bring something to share if you can. All are welcome to celebrate Fr Joseph's Feast Day. School children and parents are especially welcome.

Rainbow Family Group

- going to Stockton Bowling Club on Sunday, 20th March 12 noon for lunch. Contact Susan Lane.
- are having dinner on Friday 8 April at 6pm at the home of Christine Sheppard. Please contact Christine by 3 April.

80th Birthday Congratulations to Erna Zozworek. We pray God's continued blessings on you and your family.

Copies of Autumn edition of **AURORA** are available at back of churches.

The Ecumenical Way of the Cross

Join us on Sunday, 3rd April, 2022, as we walk through the last moments of Jesus' earthly life with the Ecumenical Way of the Cross. This year, we have taken up the theme of 'Church without Walls.' At each station, we will hear a personal story in response to Jesus' invitation to follow him. These stories of mission and outreach will come from across our Diocese and fellow Christian Churches.

3pm start

St Joseph's Parish Grounds (meet at St Joseph's Community Centre)

140 Wangi Rd, Toronto

Afternoon tea provided.

For more information contact Brendon

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NOTES from the Chancery are posted at the back of our churches and also available on Diocesan Website

Can you Help with shopping and as carer for a couple of hours per week. Centrelink Allowance is available. Phone Tracey on M:0491 038 788

2022 Liturgical Calendar for the Second Sunday of Lent

Solemnities are in CAPITALS. Feasts are bold.

Memorials are in ordinary type.

Optional Memorials are in *italics*.

17 March **St Patrick**

19 March **St Joseph**

25 March **Annunciation of the Lord**

NSW SVdP Flood Appeal

Donations can be made through a variety of methods:

- phoning 131812

going to the website www.vinnies.org.au/NSWFloodAppeal

- going to any Vinnies Shop

envelopes at the rear of the church (Please write "Flood Appeal" on the front of the envelope.) Cardiff has a container adjacent to the 1st and 2nd Collection containers or else speak to one of the SVdP representatives at Adamstown, Cardiff or Kotara.

Second Sunday of Lent - Year C

First Reading

Gen 15:5-12. 17-18

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

'To your descendants I give this land,
from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 26:1. 7-9. 13-14. R. v.1

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life
before whom shall I shrink? (R.)
2. O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken:
'Seek his face.' (R.)
3. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek
hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger;
you have been my help. (R.)

4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's
goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take
heart.
Hope in the Lord! (R.)

Second Reading

Phil 3:17 – 4:1

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:

this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

Lk 9:28-36

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his

face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

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.