

20th March 2022
3rd Sunday of Lent Year C

Listening to God's Word
Growing in Faith



Reaching out to All

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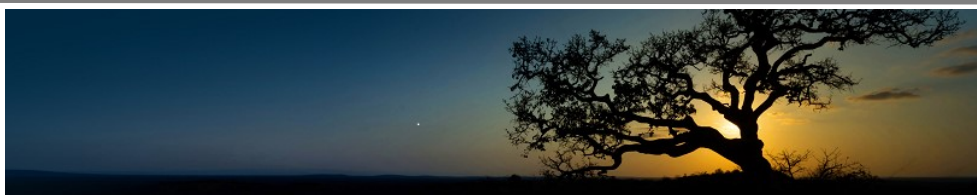
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St Columba's Adamstown
St Kevin's Cardiff
St James' Kotara

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St Pius X Adamstown
St Paul's Booragul
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ALL SAINTS PARISH BLACKBUTT SOUTH
Faith Communities of Adamstown, Cardiff, Kotara



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm Kotara
Sunday 8.00am Adamstown; 9.30am Cardiff
Adoration 6.00pm (Summer) 5.30pm (Winter) Kotara

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30am Adamstown
Wednesday 7.00am Kotara; 9.30am Adamstown
Thursday Cardiff 9.30am; Friday 9.15am Kotara;
1st Saturday 9.00am Kotara

Chance Encounters

Those ubiquitous Post-It notes you use every day – to make a page, write a quick note to yourself, or place on a co-worker's desk – were a mistake. The 3M Company was trying to come up with a new kind of glue mixture and instead they created a glue that didn't really stick. How absurd! Such blunder! ... What a scathingly brilliant idea! You can almost hear the creators saying, "Just give us one more chance. We know his isn't quite right. But maybe we can make it work".

So, too, Jesus, as our advocate, says to God, just give this poor soul one more chance. Yes, there have been mistakes, but some good may come out of him or her yet.

Today's gospel is about second chances. And we all need them – at our jobs, in our families, with our friends, with our communities. Who among us is without sin? Not one of us. So, what distinguishes one sinner from another? Jesus tells us it's the level of repentance.

Ask for the second, third, fourth chance you need to be productive and fruitful. Let people know you are trying. Seek help. Don't succumb to despair. See your mistakes as golden opportunities to become that much better.

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PRAYER FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF OUR NEW BISHOP

Shepherding God, you reveal your way of unfailing love in the image of the Good Shepherd who seeks the lost, shows compassion knows and is known by the sheep and lays down his life for them

We the people of Maitland-Newcastle are without a Bishop to shepherd us.

We ask that your Holy Spirit who moves through this great south land Inspire the choice of our new Bishop, empower his 'yes' and open our hearts in hospitality and love.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen

Our Lady of Perpetual Help pray for us
Mary MacKillop of the Cross pray for us

Parish News

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

Leonie Pickett, Veronica Hipwell, Karen Curran, Algi & Geraldine Bajelis, 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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mick King (Funeral Mass Tuesday 22nd March 11am Kotara)

BAPTISMS: Hudson Colquhoun, William Turner, Ethan Turner

| <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 |
| <u>27/03/2022</u> | ADAMSTOWN | CARDIFF | KOTARA |
| Commentator | Vickie Pettet | Anne Lamotte | Marilyn Thomson |
| Readers | Christine Williams Diana Hannigan | Michael Deed Catherine Lerch | Faye Robertson Christine Sheppard |
| Extraordinary Minister | Albert Erzetich | Elizabeth Doyle | Jessica Moulder |
| Counters | Francine Goodman, Susan Lane Kathy Kelly, Paula O'Neill | N/A | N/A |



3rd Sunday of Lent 19/20 March

Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, who tells stories through movements handed down over generations. With your support, Janice and the Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation support the community to generate income and employment, while keeping culture alive.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help provide employment and training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country and keep their culture alive.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**.

Caritas Australia

is working directly with Caritas Ukraine and its local partner Caritas Spes to support Ukrainian families with food, hygiene kits, clean water, psychological support, and emergency shelter to displaced families. Since the beginning of the conflict, Caritas Ukraine has assisted more than 70,000 people across the country.

Donations can be made at:
www.caritas.org.au/ukraine/

Our Parish Notices

We welcome back Fr Joseph and pray that you are fully rested and have had a successful recovery. **A big thank you to Fr Gordon** for looking after our parish over the past weeks.

Sunday Evening Adoration with Benediction: resumes this Sunday 6pm at St Philip's. All are welcome Come and Meditate, Pray and Be Blessed

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.

Appointment of New Bishop: We are in a liminal space framed by the death of Bishop Bill Wright and the appointment of a new Bishop. Like Advent liminal spaces invite us to wait with purpose and hope and to prepare the way. One of the ways we the faithful wait with purpose is through prayer. Collect your Prayer Card to take home and to pray.

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.

Rainbow Family Group

- going to Stockton Bowling Club on **this** Sunday, 20th March 12 noon for lunch .
- are having dinner on Friday 8 April at 6pm at the home of Christine Sheppard. Please contact Christine by 3 April.
- Rainbow Parish Family Group are having dinner at Hamilton TAFE on Tuesday 17 May at 6pm. Only 3 seats left. Contact Christine Sheppard by 20 March.

NSW SVdP Flood Appeal

Donations can be made by many ways:

- ⇒ phoning 131812
- ⇒ 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 to one of

HOLY WEEK SACRED TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY 14 April 2022

Mass of the Lord's Supper
Cardiff 7.00pm

GOOD FRIDAY 15 April 2022

Stations of the Cross
Kotara 11.00am

Liturgy of the Passion
Kotara 3.00pm

EASTER SATURDAY 16 April 2022

Easter Vigil
Kotara 7.00pm

EASTER SUNDAY 17 April 2022

Mass of the Resurrection
Adamstown 8.00am
Cardiff 9.30am

the SVdP representatives at Adamstown, Cardiff or Kotara.

Thank you for your donation and prayers.

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, 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 Mannyx P: 0426426892 E: brendon.mannyx@mn.catholic.org.au

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 Third Sunday of Lent

Solemnities are in CAPITALS. Feasts are bold.

Memorials are in ordinary type.

Optional Memorials are in *italics*.

25 March

Annunciation of the Lord

Third Sunday of Lent - Year C

First Reading Ex 3:1-8. 13-15

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102:1-4. 6-8.
11. R. v.8

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.

(R.)

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the
grave,
who crowns you with love and com-
passion. (R.)
3. The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgement for all who are op-
pressed.
He made known his ways to Moses
and his deeds to Israel's sons. (R.)
4. The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
For as the heavens are high *above
the earth*
*so strong is his love for those who
fear him.* (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:17

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
Repent, says the Lord;
the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Luke 13:1-0

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices.

At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

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.