10th April 2022 PALM SUNDAY

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday **Easter Vigil 7.00pm** Kotara Sunday 8.00am Adamstown; 9.30am Cardiff Adoration 6.00pm (Summer) 5.30pm (Winter) Kotara **HOLY WEEK LITURGIES**

SEE Holy Week Timetable on Page 4 of Bulletin

Lowly Prince of Peace

Jesus entered Jerusalem, not as a warrior in the tradition of King David as many had hoped for, but riding simply on a donkey. The disciples and the crowd applauded him, but they proved fickle in their support.

On the other hand, Jesus remained steadfast in his commitment to non-violent revolutionary change of the religious and political systems so as to establish the reign of God. Why did he renounce marshalling human and angelic warriors to further his cause? First, Jesus embodied God-for-us, and God does not want the destruction of those he has created out of love. Second, Jesus had a premonition that an armed revolt would lead to the destruction of Jerusalem and the dispersal of the Jewish people (as occurred in 70AD).

Third, Luke's Gospel recounts that as Jesus laboured up Mount Calvary he turned to some wailing women and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, weep rather for yourselves and for your children.' He knew that they suffer grievously in armed uprising. This is seen in barbaric reality in our own time with women being tortured and raped in campaigns of terror, trafficked into sexual slavery, suffering the loss of sons,

husband and lovers.

We could take a moment to pray that the Church of the 21st century, successor of the pacifist Church of the first three centuries, may enter on a new period of reflection on these issues, grappling with the desire to protect the innocent, yet always challenged by the man on a donkey, Divine Prince of Peace.

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WE BEGIN OUR MASSES THIS SUNDAY OUTSIDE FOR THE BLESSING OF OUR PALMS AND THEN WE PROCESS INTO THE CHURCH

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, Stanislawa Ksiadz, Maria Kanonczuk, Sharyn Trappel, Clare Sullivan, Craig Hart, Jill Heffernan, Helen Campbell, Laurel Dixon, Jarrad Bryant, Helen Woodham

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Reg Callinan (Funeral Mass Wednesday 10.30am at Sacred Heart

Cathedral Hamilton) **BAPTISMS:** Lylah Burns

10/04/2022 PALM SUNDAY	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Barry Bourke	Margaret Bourke	Peter Cunningham
Readers	Paul O'Neill, Vickie Pettet GOSPEL: Stan Heaney (N) Therese Nolan (O)	Sharon Murphy, Ben Lerch GOSPEL: Anne Lamotte (N) Paul Gleeson (O)	Elaine Abery, Dever Family GOSPEL: Giavanna Angeli (N) Marilyn Thomson (O)
Extraordinary Minister	Preciosa Winter	Majella Maher	Faye Robertson
Counters	Hamilton Koelmeyer	N/A	N/A
17/04/2022 Easter Sunday	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Dot Reynolds	Elizabeth Doyle	To Be Advised
Readers	Barry Bourke Paul Smith	Sr Clare McCudden Cathy Waugh	
Extraordinary Minister	Narelle Smith	Sharon Murphy	
Counters	Francine Goodman, Kathy Kelly, Paula O'Neill	Mary Nixon	



PALM SUNDAY 9/10 April



Everyday more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion cannot access clean drinking water.

With you generosity, Caritas Australia has been able to help millions of vulnerable people around the world, through the Project Compassion appeal

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world lift themselves and their communities our of poverty

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting <u>lent.caritas.org.au</u>, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Our Parish Notices

OFFICE CHANGES—Louise is now on extended Sick Leave, and we offer our prayers to her during this time.

We can be contacted by P: 4954 0977 or E: asbsparish@mn.catholic.org.au. Messages will be checked periodically. Please phone beforehand if you wish to visit office to make sure it is open.

For urgent matters or funeral arrangements Fr Joseph can be contacted on his mobile 0438 769 922.

Please Note: Wednesday Masses at Kotara and Adamstown are cancelled for this week.

Cup of tea after 3pm Good Friday service at St Philip's Kotara. No food will be provided as it is a day of fasting. This is an opportunity to share as a community again.

Helpers are required at 8.00am on Saturday 16th April to help prepare St Philip's Church for the Easter Vigil.

COVID-19 Safety in our Churches - There have been many questions about wiping the seats and wearing masks. Some churches in our Diocese have stopped doing them. I leave this to the discretion of each person attending Mass; safeguarding ourselves and others is our priority. Please avoid handing over wet wipes; keep them visible so that those who feel concerned about wiping will choose to do so. If you feel unwell and have Covid symptoms, please avoid mingling with people and get tested - Fr 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 from back of Church.

Chrism Mass - this Tuesday 12th April 7.00pm at Sacred Hearth Cathedral. All the faithful of the Church of Maitland-Newcastle are invited to gather for the blessing and consecration of Sacred Oils. As there are currently no COVID-19 capacity limits, everyone who is feeling well and symptom-free is welcome. Presider Bishop Danny Meagher (Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney).

The Bereavement Support Team meets this Tuesday 12th April at 4.00pm in the St Philip's Hall. Please note the change of time for this month only. New members welcome. Our contact is Diana 4943 0303.

New Mass Ministry Rosters are being prepared for the period 1 May - 24 July. If you would like to join a Mass ministry, or if you are an existing minister who needs to advise a change, please contact the Parish Office this week.

Fr Paul Berezniuk invites you to join the Ukrainian community for Mass, praying for peace in Ukraine **each Friday at 10.00am** in the Ukrainian Catholic Church, 105 Gosford Road, Adamstown.

The Kotara Vinnies Conference offers a big "Thank You" for the generous response of parishioners to our recent flood appeal. Around \$4,000 has been donated to date, which is a wonderful result. This will be really valuable in meeting the many needs of flood-affected communities.

Mystagogy Monday

Mystagogical reflection invites us into a personal encounter with Christ in the gospel we have heard, the liturgy we have celebrated, or an experience of life or ministry. It invites us to pay attention to what Christ reveals to us, both in that encounter and the living tradition of our faith and to connect it to life now. It invites us to dialogue and transformation.

Join us each Monday morning as we reveal the mystery of God found in the Sunday Gospel.Commencing 9 May at 10am Register: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ mystagogy-mondays-tickets-304319105637

More Diocesan Notices on Noticeboards or on website www.mn.catholic.org.au

2022 Liturgical Calendar for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

Solemnities are in CAPITALS. Feasts are bold.

Memorials are in ordinary type.

Optional Memorials are in *italics*.

4 April Saint Isidore (commemoration)

5 April Saint Vincent Ferrer (commemoration)

7 April Saint John Baptist de la Salle (commemoration)

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Holy Week Timetable 2022 All Saints Parish Blackbutt South

Tuesday Hamilton Mass of the Oils 7.00pm

Sacred Heart Cathedral

Wednesday Masses are CANCELLED due to

funeral of Fr Reg Callinan

SACRED TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY 14 April

Mass of the Lord's Supper

St Kevin's Cardiff 7.00pm

Adoration and Meditation following Mass

GOOD FRIDAY 15 April

Outdoor Stations of the Cross

St Philip's Kotara 11.00am

The Principle Service

St Philip's Kotara 3.00pm

HOLY SATURDAY 16 April

Polish Blessing of Food

St Kevin's Cardiff 10.30am

Easter Vigil

St Philip's Kotara 7.00 pm

EASTER SUNDAY 17 April

Mass of the Resurrection

Adamstown **8.00am** Cardiff **9.30am**

EASTER MONDAY 18 April

Cardiff 8.00am Polish Mass







Holy Thursday

Good Friday

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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.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

In this final Lenten Sunday we look again at the significance of Christ in our lives. We recognise him as our saviour, but we look more closely in order to discover just what kind of saviour he is. He has taken the form of a slave; he has been glorified with a name above all other names: he continues to suffer with us.

We have not been saved through military power, but through the self-offering humility of Jesus. Though he was really in the form of God, Jesus came in the form of a slave. We have a saviour who was crushed for our iniquities, nailed to a cross as a convicted felon, and there endured the sense of abandonment. In the face of this, we must ask a fundamental question: Why does God love us with such abandon?

We have a savior who was lifted up and exalted precisely because he emptied himself of his divine prerogatives. He became one of us in order to show us how we are to live. Unlike conquerors who triumph by putting down their opponents, Jesus was raised up because he himself was first willing to be put down.

We have a saviour who first offered himself for us and then continues to offer himself to us as an example to follow. As he was willing to empty himself for our sake, so we are told to empty ourselves for the sake of others.

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