

'Listening to God's word, growing in faith, reaching out to all'

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PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

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- St James', Kotara

PARISH HIGH SCHOOLS

- St Pius X, Adamstown
- St Paul's, Booragul

OFFICE OF SAFEGUARDING

- www.mn.catholic.org.au/agencies/ office-of-safeguarding
- www. officeofsafeguarding.org.au

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday Vigil:	5:30pm Kotara	Tuesday:	9.30am Adamstown		
Sunday:	8.00am Adamstown	Wednesday:	7.00am Kotara		
	9.30am Cardiff		9.30am Adamstown		
Adoration:	5.30pm(Winter) Kotara	Thursday:	9.30am Cardiff		
	6pm (Summer)	Friday:	9.15am Kotara		
Reconciliation: Saturdays at Kotara by		1st Saturday:	9.00am Kotara		
appointment (11am-3pm)					

Gospel Reflection

Today's gospel is one of the stories unique to the gospel of Luke. At the same time, it is a commonly known story that is often cited to demonstrate the value of saying thank you. However, as usual, there's more to this story than initially meets the eye. One of the recurrent themes of the gospel is at play here: the message of salvation that Jesus brings is available to all, not just the Jews.

The first reading is an interesting link with the gospel of Luke. In chapter 4 of the gospel, when Jesus visits Nazareth and preaches in the synagogue, he later tells a story about the prophets Elijah and Elisha responding to the needs of Gentiles rather than Jews. He tells the story to make the point that the message of salvation is not reserved exclusively for the Jews. The incident involving Elisha that Jesus refers to in chapter 4 is the one we hear in today's first reading.

Whilst both the first reading and the gospel tell stories about the healing of those with skin diseases, the common factor is actually about their expressions of gratitude and conversion of heart. In the gospel, all ten men are healed but it is only the stranger; the foreigner; the Samaritan, who comes back to give thanks and to praise God. The others – Jewish men, presumably – are only concerned about themselves and have no time to acknowledge the graciousness of God

that they have experienced. The gospel writer has Jesus emphasise the point that it is the Samaritan – the outsider – who has recognised God's activity in his cure and come back to give praise and thanks. It is only he who has experienced the change of heart; the conversion of faith.



WEEKDAY MASSES:

Historical Context – Leprosy

In ancient times, a wide variety of skin diseases were loosely labelled as 'leprosy'. Because of Jewish purity laws, people with skin diseases were automatically regarded as 'unclean' and were forced to live away from others. The assumption was that such disfigurement must be a punishment from God for sinful behaviour. When Jesus encounters the men they are outside the town and keep the required distance from Jesus. He tells them to go and show themselves to the priest, whose authority was relied upon to declare a person healed and fit to return to society after extensive ritual purification.

Have you thought? - On the Borders

When Jesus encounters the ten men, he is travelling along the border between Galilee and Samaria. The level of distrust between the Jews of Galilee and the Samaritans were deep and abiding. The land that fell between the two countries was sparsely populated and mostly barren. That Jesus should encounter the men in this environment is not surprising for these men literally and metaphorically were at the border of society. Not welcome in any town, the men roamed the very edges of society. They lived their whole lives on the borderline – welcome nowhere and belonging nowhere.

Gospel Focus – Where are they?

'The other nine, where are they?' asked Jesus. Why would the other nine not have come back to give thanks? It is insufficient to say that the miraculous healing these men experienced changed their lives. Being healed of this disease meant so much to them: they could return to their families; they could return to work; they could touch another person; they could walk among other people; they could join in prayer at the synagogue. As they hurried back toward town they must have been overwhelmed by the possibilities and opportunities that lay before them. But they neglected to acknowledge the source of their great joy!

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<u>09/10/2022</u>	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Paul Smith	Paul Gleeson	Emma South
Readers	Therese Nolan Stan Heaney	Carmel Moore Elizabeth Doyle	Marilyn Thomson Bernard Burgess
Presentation of Gifts	Goodman Family	Lerch Family	Dever Family
Extraordinary Minister	Vickie Pettett	Len McCullum	Narelle Heard
Counters	Lynn Johns, Dot Reynolds	N/A	N/A
<u>16/10/2022</u>	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Dot Reynolds	St Kevin's School	Peter Cunningham
Readers	Diana Hannigan Barry Bourke	St Kevin's School	Jessica Moulder Giavanna Angeli
Presentation of Gifts	Preciosa Winter Gloria Ramage	St Kevin's School	Paul & Jai Dart
Extraordinary Minister	Stan Heaney	Deacon Solomon	Faye Robertson
Counters	Francine Goodman, Kathy Kelly, Paula O'Neill	Andrew & Sharon Murphy	Narelle Robb, Patricia Hines, Paul Crosbie

SICK/SPECIAL NEEDS:

We remember in prayer ... Leonie Pickett, Karen Curran, Algi & Geraldine Bajelis, Jan Hobson, Lewis Peel (Purcell), Rita Martin, Emma Pacifico, Lorraine Caldwell, Loris Jackson, Linda McDonald, Chris Patsan, Dorota Bakowska, Gae Alderton, Ernestina Klein, Alexander Klein, Stanislawa Ksiadz, Maria Kanonczuk, Sharyn Trappel, Clare Sullivan, Jill Heffernan, Laurel Dixon, Jarrad Bryant, Barry Moore, Tom Campbell, Baby Anthony Dib

RECENTLY DECEASED: Betty Dickson

BAPTISMS: Ari Van Der Velde, Bella Van Der Velde, Arlo Sonny Cresswell



The Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle has an abiding commitment to promote the safety, welfare and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults — particularly those who participate in the life of the Diocese as part of our faith communities in parishes.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fr Gordon Quinn will be on leave from 1—31st October. During this time all Masses will be celebrated by Fr Joseph. Please check bulletins for any weekly changes.

Fr Greg Arnold will be celebrating his milestone 50th Golden Jubilee of Ordination with us at 5.30pm Mass at Kotara on Saturday 5th November with a Cup of Tea after Mass

Votive Candle Stands have been installed in all our Churches. Any donations will go back to the parish.

Family/School Mass at Cardiff on next Sunday 16th October at 9:30am will celebrate the students who have completed the Sacrament of Confirmation and Sacrament of First Holy Communion. You are invited to Celebration Cake and morning tea after Mass.

Christian Meditation at St Philip's Kotara, every Tuesday at 6pm. Everyone welcome including new meditators.

Retreat Morning—Christian Mediation at St

James School Hall Kotara on Saturday 22nd Ocotober 9am—12noon. Reflecting on One Mind One Heart

The opportunity to feel part of Community again. Cellist Naomi Hart will be playing. Morning Tea provided. Contact: annecuskelly@hotmail.com or 0407 436 808

New Parish Rosters are due to be drawn up please notify Parish Office on 4954 0977 or via email to asbsparish@mn.catholic.org.au if there are any changes to your current ministries of if you attend Mass and wish to join in any ministry.

Rainbow Family Group: Our next family group get together is on Friday October 21st at King Edward Park meeting near the rotunda between 5 and 6PM. BYO everything! Hope to see you there. Take care. *Janelle & Tim*

Evangelise – a national conference for Catholics The National Centre for Evangelisation is getting ready to host an online evangelisation conference from Thursday 20 to Saturday 22 October. There will be a wide range of keynote presentations from well-known speakers. You can find more information about the conference at www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au Individual registration costs \$25 or a community can purchase five registrations for \$100.

World Youth Day Launch Event

The official WYD launch will be hosted on Sunday 9 October at 4pm at the Murray Room (841 Hunter Street, Newcastle West). To register your attendance, please visit the WYD page on the Diocesan website. If you have any questions regarding this pilgrimage, please email Ryan Gato, Diocesan World Youth Day Coordinator at: ryan.gato@mn.catholic.edu.au

Bishop's Staff Week

Members of the Bishop's Staff will be visiting our Parish next Wednesday, October 12. They will be exploring our churches, schools and Catholic Care. They will hear about the wonderful ministries in our parish, enjoy a warm welcome and hospitality and participate in a friendly game of soccer.

Newcastle Faiths4ClimateJustice Multi-faith Service

The Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC) invites you to attend a Multi-faith Service on 13 October at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Tighes Hill from 10am to 11am It will be one of many services being hosted across Australia, in solidarity with Pacific and First Nations peoples. The service will involve readings, prayers, meditation, music and chanting from a range of religious traditions, aligned with the above themes. Go to www.arrcc.org.au/f4cj2022 for more info.



All Saints Feast date claimer for Mass and parish gathering Sunday 30 October. All parishioners are warmly invited to come together for a single weekend Mass 10:00 am at Kotara followed by a BBQ lunch. This will be the only Mass celebrated over that weekend and presents great opportunities to connect and support each other through transport assistance, bringing a salad or sweet, or joining the planning team. Register your interest now for catering numbers, transport and assistance via <u>https://</u>

<u>allsaintsfeast.eventbrite.com.au</u>, QR code or sheet at back of church. For planning team enquiries please text Helene O'Neill on 0400 781 374 .

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for a thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation

First Reading

2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 97:1-4. R. see v.2

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

 Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy

arm have brought salvation. (R.)

The Lord has made known his salvation;

has shown his justice to the nations.

He has remembered his truth and love

for the house of Israel. (R.)

3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

- If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.
- If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.

If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but

he is always faithful,

for he cannot disown his own self.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Thes 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks to God,because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

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.



'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

Luke 17:19

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