

23rd October 2022
30th Sunday Ordinary Time
Year C



"That They May All Be One."

Faith Communities
of Adamstown
Cardiff and Kotara

*'Son of Man did not come to be served,
but to serve.' (Mt 20:28)*

~ A humble service with a smile ~

All Saints Catholic Home - Blackbutt South

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

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9:30am—2:30pm

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

OFFICE OF SAFEGUARDING

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

SUNDAY MASS FOR 30TH OCTOBER:

ONE MASS ONLY

Sunday: 10 AM AT KOTARA

Adoration: 5.30pm(Winter) Kotara
Till weather warms up.

Reconciliation: Saturdays at Kotara by
appointment (11am-3pm)

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday: 9.30am Adamstown

Wednesday: 7.00am Kotara
9.30am Adamstown

Thursday: 9.30am Cardiff

Friday: 9.15am Kotara

1st Saturday: 9.00am Kotara

Virtue of dependence

The Gospel today, like that of last week, is concerned with prayer, as is today's first reading. Now, however, the issue is not so much persistence in prayer as the kind of person whose prayer is most likely

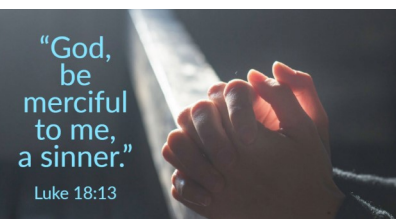
to receive a favourable hearing from God. The confidence expressed by Paul in the second reading as he reviews his life, looks not so much to his own achievements but to the generosity and faithfulness of God. Simply put, humility is the disposition to accept our impoverished dependence upon God. How does this work? Well, upon considering our defects, weaknesses, and countless errors, we ought to acquire a sense of something lacking in us: I'm not perfect!

Know oneself

Given the nature of the virtue, it should strike us that humility requires a lot of honest self-awareness. St. Bernard of Clairvaux writes, "There is nothing more effective, more adapted to the acquiring of humility, than to find out the truth about oneself. There must be no concealment, no attempt at self-deception, but a facing up to one's real self without flinching and turning aside. A humble person has this knowledge of oneself, which allows each to recognize one's own impoverishment and subsequently reach out to God'.

Imperfect and perfect humility

When we subsequently embrace humility, we do so only imperfectly because our humility pours forth from the realistic consideration of oneself. The positive consideration is then of greatness, the perfection of truth, beauty, and goodness that is God. Continued next page.....



'As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love.' John 15:9

ANNOUNCEMENTS—MASS ROSTERS

Standing as nothing before this grandeur, how could this consideration bring anything but humility? Both stages are important in order to progress in the spiritual life, as after all, the perfect passes through the imperfect.

As we are told in the first reading the prayer of the humble pierce the clouds, the prayer of the lowly is effective. Whereas in prayer the focus should be upon God, the concentration of this Pharisee in today's Gospel rests upon himself. The tax-collector, by contrast, stands down the back simply pleading that God be merciful to him, a sinner. We see what prayer is all about: baring a sincere heart to the Lord, who listens to our story and, our whole life long, waits till we have told it to the end. Do we not petition the Lord in the *Our Father* to forgive us our trespasses? It is no secret or surprise to the humble one that in Christ's declaration of the arrival of the Kingdom of God at the opening of His public ministry, the first imperative that He gave to us as our response was to *repent*. Thus, the virtue of humility is to recognize and acknowledge the truth of who we are and where we stand in relation to God.

Humility Prayer

Jesus, grant me the grace...

that others be admired more than I;

that others be praised and I unnoticed;

that others be preferred to me in everything;

that others be holier than I, provided I become as holy as I should;

that I might imitate the patience and obedience of Your mother, Mary. Amen.

*With Love and
Prayers, Fr Joseph*

23/10/2022	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Vickie Pettett	Anne Lamotte	Christine Sheppard
Readers	Dot Reynolds John Bourke	Michael Deed Elizabeth Doyle	Nance Schrieber Patrick Farrell
Presentation of Gifts	Kathy Kelly Bernadette Maher	Volunteer	Peter & Marie Cunningham
Extraordinary Minister	Preciosa Winter	Leo Caldwell	Siobhan Farrell
Counters	Hamilton Koelmeyer	N/A	N/A
30/10/2022	ADAMSTOWN ONE MASS	CARDIFF ONLY	KOTARA AT 10AM
Commentator	ALL SAINTS	FEASTDAY	CELEBRATION
Readers	ROSTER	TO BE	ADVISED
Presentation of Gifts			
Extraordinary Minister			
Counters	Lynn Johns , Dot Reynolds	Len McCullum	John Bourke, Mark Noonan, Val Menzies

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, Stanislaw Ksiadz, Maria Kanonczuk, Sharyn Trappel, Clare Sullivan, Jill Heffernan, Laurel Dixon, Jarrad Bryant, Barry Moore, Tom Campbell, Baby Anthony Dib, Helen Tumbers

ANNIVERSARIES:

Jim Stanmore, Thomas Britt Snr



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



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

Fr Gordon Quinn will be on leave from 1—31st October. 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.

Baptism Preparation for this Sunday that was to be held in MacKillop Room Cardiff has been cancelled.

Do you remember your Confirmation Name? As we celebrate our Feastday of All Saints next weekend. Wear a sticker with your Saints name to this Mass.

First Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at St Philip's Kotara on Saturday 5th November, and will be offered for parishioners, or close relatives of parishioners, who passed away during October / November / December 2021. Please give names of those to be remembered to Diana on 4943 0303 by Monday 24th October.

Parish Mass Thursday 3rd November

All are invited to join with the school community to launch our new Vision and Mission statements at Thursday mass 9:30 am 3rd November. Following mass you are invited to join us in the school hall for morning tea. We look forward to you joining us as we set our school's future direction.

Notice for Parish Musicians

All Parish musicians from each Mass centre are invited to support the All Saints Day celebration on Sunday 30 October. Music Rehearsal Saturday October 29 at 9.30am at St. Philip's. Please let Robert Angeli know if you are available (robert.angeli@mnc.catholic.edu.au).

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

New Parish Rosters are now being finalised and will be distributed. Please note amended Roster for Our Parish Celebration on Sunday 30th October 10am Kotara.

Good Shepherd Parishioners-Kotara invite you to Trivia Night 6pm Friday 28th October at Kotara Bowling Club. Tables of up to 8. \$10 Entry.

World Youth Day 2023: Pilgrim Information Session We will be holding two online information sessions for all those who are interested in either attending our Diocesan pilgrimage or learning more about World Youth Day. Thursday 3 November 2022 4pm to 5pm. To register, visit: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=x2JU50ZySU-2DkekmO6p1sRqnzeqcN1DnMeIB-amwJlUQ0cxSVZSSTdTNkJFMUJCTTFJSDAxN0E2Ri4u>

Waiting with Purpose is a resource that invites all members of the community to gather a circle of people – family, friends, colleagues, ministry teams – to reflect mystagogically on the Advent gospels. This is an opportunity to encounter Christ where we are, to pay attention to what Christ reveals in the scripture and the living tradition of our faith, to share this, to connect it to our life now and to be changed by it. Mystagogical Reflection deepens our capacity to live from Christ. To access the resource, go to:

www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/liturgy/liturgical-year/

For those wanting to connect via Zoom during Advent we will be hosting Waiting with Purpose Advent Reflection each Monday at 10am. To register go to:

www.eventbrite.com.au/e/waiting-with-purpose-advent-2022-tickets-443044436837

Bishop's Award 2022

Nominations are now open for the 2022 Bishop's Award! The award aims to recognise the good works of students and young people across our Diocese who were actively involved in their parish communities. Applications close on 2 December 2022.

Find out more: <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church/youth/bishops-award/>

See Noticeboards for more events or visit Diocesan Website www.mn.catholic.org.au

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for 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

READINGS—30th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

Ecclesiasticus : Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

The Lord is a judge
who is no respecter of personages.
He shows no respect of personages
to the detriment of a poor man,
he listens to the plea of the injured
party.
He does not ignore the orphan's
supplication,
nor the widow's as she pours out
her story.

The man who with his whole heart
serves God will be accepted,
his petitions will carry to the clouds.
The humble man's prayer pierces
the clouds,
until it arrives he is inconsolable
nor will he desist until the Most High
takes notice of him,
acquits the virtuous and delivers
judgement.
And the Lord will not be slow,
nor will he be dilatory on their be-
half.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:2-3. 17-19. 23. R. v.7

(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the
poor.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,

his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make
its boast.
The humble shall hear and be
glad. **(R.)**
2. The Lord turns his face against
the wicked
to destroy their remembrance
from the earth.
The just call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their dis-
tress. **(R.)**
3. The Lord is close to the broken-
hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he
will save.
The Lord ransoms the souls of
his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not
be condemned. **(R.)**

Second Reading

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

My life is already being poured
away as a libation, and the time
has come for me to be gone. I
have fought the good fight to the
end; I have run the race to the
finish; I have kept the faith; all
there is to come now is the
crown of righteousness reserved
for me, which the Lord, the right-
eous judge, will give to me on
that Day; and not only to me but
to all those who have longed for
his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my
defence, there was not a single
witness to support me. Every
one of them deserted me – may
they not be held accountable for
it. But the Lord stood by me and
gave me power, so that through
me the whole message might be
proclaimed for all the pagans to
hear; and so I was rescued from
the lion's mouth. The Lord will
rescue me from all evil attempts
on me, and bring me safely to
his heavenly kingdom. To him be
glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

2 Cor 5:19

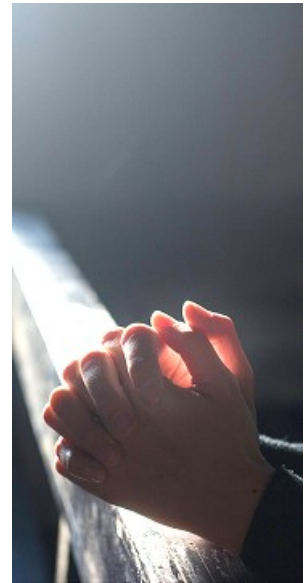
Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile
the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconcili-
ation he has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

Jesus spoke the following para-
ble to some people who prided
themselves on being virtuous
and despised everyone else,
'Two men went up to the Temple
to pray, one a Pharisee, the oth-
er a tax collector. The Pharisee
stood there and said this prayer
to himself, "I thank you, God,
that I am not grasping, unjust,
adulterous like the rest of man-
kind, and particularly that I am
not like this tax collector here. I

fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I
get." The tax collector stood some
distance away, not daring even to
raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat
his breast and said, "God, be merci-
ful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell
you, went home again at rights with
God; the other did not. For everyone
who exalts himself will be humbled,
but the man who humbles himself
will be exalted.'



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.