

13th November 2022
33rd 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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Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday only
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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 MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm Kotara

Sunday: 8.00am Adamstown

9.30am Cardiff

Adoration: 5.30pm(Winter) Kotara
Until 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

Gospel Reflection

This week marks the final week of Ordinary Time in the Church's liturgical calendar and draws us almost to the end of our journey through the gospel of Luke. Next week's reading of the crucifixion concludes the

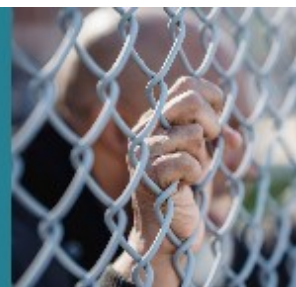
Year of Luke. It is in this context that we need to read today's gospel passage. Jesus and his disciples are gathered around the Temple in Jerusalem in the final days before he is to be put to death. The end is imminent and Jesus takes the opportunity to reassure the disciples that, although they are about to experience a period of distress, betrayal and persecution that will stretch well into the future, ultimately, God's love and mercy will triumph – not only in their own lives but also in the world.

The language of passages like today's gospel can be off-putting at times and can also be seized upon by those who would interpret scripture literally. The graphic descriptions certainly lend themselves to predictions of gloom and doom. However, we must also remember that the gospel was written some 50 or more years after the death of Jesus. At the time of writing, many of these things had already come to pass. The message for the community who were suffering through these very experiences is that they should not despair because all of this was anticipated by Jesus and that ultimately the reign of God will come about and the effort and distress that they have endured will be vindicated.

Unfortunately, the lectionary has the passage concluding at verse 19; the complete passage continues on for another 17 verses and so we don't get the full effect of Jesus' speech. In the latter portion, Jesus assures the disciples that the kingdom will surely come to pass. It is a promise that we affirm every time we say the Creed.

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"Nation will
fight against
nation, and
kingdom
against
kingdom."
Luke 21:10



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

ANNOUNCEMENTS—MASS ROSTERS



St Vincent de Paul - 2022 Christmas Appeal

The SVdP Conferences at Adamstown, Cardiff and Kotara will commence their Christmas Appeal the weekend of 20th/21st November. Envelopes will be available at the back each of our churches. These envelopes can be filled out

and placed in the collection containers provided in each of our Mass centres. Alternatively donations can also be made on-line at www.vinnies.org.au or by phoning 13 18 12. Your continued support is greatly appreciated and your donations will directly assist families and individuals in our community particularly at this very difficult time.

SVdP Cardiff Christmas Hampers St Kevin's Mini Vinnies within our local Catholic Primary School this year are assisting their parish community by donating food items towards our Christmas Hampers. Each class has a list of items they are donating. So after a break (due to Covid) we are back to providing that little extra for those we serve in the community with a hamper that is a little festive. The long established tradition and generosity here at Cardiff in providing for others at Christmas in the form of hamper donations is up and running following the restrictions placed upon us during the recent pandemic. If you would like to make a donation towards our hampers you are invited to take a card from the Christmas Tree and place your donated items in the baskets provided.



Here are some suggested items that the children do not have on their lists.

- Woolies or Coles vouchers, Tin of ham, Christmas serviettes, Tea, coffee or hot chocolate, Nuts, Pavlova Magic Mix or equivalent "Something festive"

SVdP Kotara Christmas Hampers: The St James Students are generously donating all food items that will be packed and distributed by members of the Kotara Conference

13/11/2022	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Vickie Pettett	Elizabeth Doyle	Marilyn Thomson
Readers	Paul Smith Paula O'Neill	Cathy Waugh Michael Deed	Emma South Peter Cunningham
Presentation of Gifts	Kathy Kelly Bernadette Maher	Lamotte Family	Paul & Jai Dart
Extraordinary Minister	Narelle Smith	Sharon Murphy	Narelle Heard
Counters	Hamilton Koelmeyer	Mary Nixon	Narelle Robb, Patricia Hines, Paul Crosbie
20/11/2022	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
Commentator	Barry Bourke	Paul Gleeson	Giavanna Angeli
Readers	Vickie Petter Julie Malaspina	Ann Lamotte Clare McCudden	Caruana Family
Presentation of Gifts	Goodman Family	Hall Family	Donna & Harper Morgan
Extraordinary Minister	Stan Heaney	Leo Caldwell	Faye Robertson
Counters	Lynn Johns Dot Reynolds	N/A	N/A

BAPTISMS we welcome into our Faith Community...

SICK/SPECIAL NEEDS:

We remember in our prayers ...

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:

Fr Tom Kennedy, Marie Barrett



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

November is the Month of Holy Souls—the time we especially remember deceased relatives, friends and parishioners. Please feel free to place the names of the faithful departed in the Remembrance Books in each of our three churches. As in the past, they will then be remembered at each of our Sunday and weekday Masses throughout the month. Mass Offering Envelopes are available at the back of our

Thank you to all who helped in any way to make Fr Greg's 50th Anniversary such a memorable celebration.

To all our Wonderful Volunteers who have given so generously to our 3 Communities—we would like to thank you and celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass on Saturday 10th December 5.30pm at St Marie Therese Centre, Pius X College Adamstown (This includes Kotara Vigil Mass). Put it in your Diary. More details soon.

Notice of Power Outage for repairs to poles and maintenance is scheduled and will impact St Philip's Church & St James' School on Sunday 20th November, 8.30am—4pm.

Adoration for Sunday 20th November is cancelled.

Columban Calendars and Christmas Cards

Christmas Cards (\$7.00) and Columban Calendars (\$7.00) are now on sale at Adamstown, Cardiff and Kotara.

Art at Advent: You are invited to join the Blackbutt South community to express your creativity through engaging in reflection and artmaking during the season of Advent. St James Primary School Hall 5.30pm-9pm on 1st December 2022 \$5 cash to be paid on day. Inquiries Angela Hall M: 0488 098 770. See Flyer on Noticeboards.

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



If you still wish to donate through Appeal Envelopes these can be placed on 2nd Collection

Rainbow Family Group are having their " Birthday" Meal on Monday 14 November at 5.30pm at the Nags Head Hotel, Adamstown. This is our last Gathering until 15 January. Please contact Christine Sheppard by 6 November.

WYD Lisbon 2023 Come with us on pilgrimage to the Holy Land and onto World Youth Day 2023 in Portugal, where we will gather with young people, celebrating our diversity and faith. To find out more and to register your interest visit mn.short.tn/WYD.

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. 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

Become an SRE volunteer

Did you know that some 50% of Catholic children are in state schools? Have you ever thought of spreading the good news of the gospel and the love of Jesus Christ with children? Have you ever thought about becoming a Special Religious Educator?

This could be an opportunity for you to meet new people, discover new friendships and build quality relationships whilst mastering skills and confidence in Catechetics.

You can make a difference in the schools within your parish! For people of faith, knowing you are participating in Christ's call to share the Good News to all is a great source of joy and meaning.

Contact the Pastoral Ministries team on 4979 1200.

Divine Retreat Centre – Upcoming retreats

Spiritual Retreat Saturday 17 December St James Catholic Church Muswellbrook 9.30am-3pm. Morning Tea provided—Bring a plate to share for lunch.

Contacts: Monica Brown M: 0409 913 453 or Coleen Kelly M: 0402 242 273

All Saints Sacramental Program for 2022.23 will commence with Reconciliation on Wednesday 23rd November 2022 at 6pm, St Philip's Kotara.

Confirmation and First Eucharist in 2023

Last Reconciliation Lesson will be held at:

Cardiff **Tuesday 15th** November at 5pm

Please note that lesson must be completed before you undertake this program. For more information and Enrolment/Commitment Form to be submitted at Lesson, please contact Parish Office.

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—33rd Sunday Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

Mal 3:19-20

A reading from the prophet Malachi
The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9

- (R.) The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.
1. Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp
with the sound of music.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
acclaim the King, the Lord. (R.)
 2. Let the sea and all within it,
thunder;
the world, and all its peoples.
Let the rivers clap their hands
and the hills ring out their joy
at the presence of the Lord. (R.)
 3. For the Lord comes,
he comes to rule the earth.
He will rule the world with justice
and the peoples with fairness.
(R.)

Second Reading

2 Thes 3:7-12

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians
You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.
We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord

Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

Gospel Acclamation

Lk 21:28

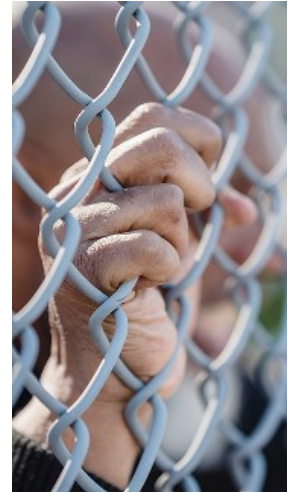
Alleluia, alleluia!
Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 21:5-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'
'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.
'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an

eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'



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.