

ALL SAINTS PARISH BLACKBUTT SOUTH

Faith Communities of Adamstown, Cardiff, Kotara

Listening to God's Word
Growing in Faith



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St Pius X Adamstown

St Paul's Booragul

Links are on our Website

Catholic Parish of All Saints

Blackbutt South



SUNDAY MASSES

Adamstown

Sunday 9.30am

Cardiff

Sunday 9.30am

Kotara

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm

Sunday 8.00am

Sunday Hour of

Adoration 6.30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES/LITURGIES WITH COMMUNION

Adamstown: Tuesday 9.30am; Wednesday 9.30am;

Cardiff: Thursday 9.30am

Kotara: Monday (Liturgy) 7am;

Wednesday 7am; Wednesday 7am; Friday 9.15am;

1st Saturday 9am

RECONCILIATION:

Adamstown: After 9.30am Mass Wednesday

Cardiff: After 9.30am Mass Thursday

Kotara: Saturday 9.30am

4th Sunday of Easter - 22 April 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is also known as 'Good Shepherd' Sunday, with the Gospel reading taken from John 10 where Jesus presents himself in an attractive image.

The First Reading, from the early chapters of Acts, 4:8-12 features Peter's defence before the authorities in Jerusalem following his arrest at their instigation. His appeal is based upon evidence that they cannot deny: the cure, through the power of the Lord Jesus, of a crippled man (3:1-10) who used to beg quite publicly.

This has been used to argue that Christian faith alone is the path to salvation; to the exclusion of all other religions but this is to take this single text out of context. What is at issue in the original context is an intra-Jewish debate as to whether Jesus was or was not the Messiah. The Second Vatican Council acknowledges that other great faiths reflected 'a ray of that Truth (Jesus Christ) who enlightens all'. This idea has further development in the years since the Council.

In the Second Reading we have a truly attractive passage from the 1st Letter of John. It features one of the clearest statements of the early Christian conviction that believers, through the union with Christ established by faith and baptism, have a share in the relationship we have with God. (see John 1:12; 20:17), and in the intimacy with God and hope of sharing God's eternal life that this entails.

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus twice makes the solemn claim, 'I am the Good Shepherd'. The emphasis rests upon the initial 'I' and the adjective. In contrast to the authorities, who have proved to be negligent and mercenary, leading to the dispersal and ravaging of the people, Jesus is the 'good' Shepherd.

The claim rests upon two qualities. The first is that, in contrast to shepherds who run away at the sign of danger, Jesus is prepared to stay with the sheep and if necessary lay down his life to protect them. The second is that his relationship with the sheep is one of true knowledge – 'knowledge' in the biblical sense that implies deep intimacy. Moreover, Jesus continues, such knowledge is itself a projection of the knowledge and intimacy that exists between himself and the Father.

From a Commentary by Brendan Byrne SJ

PARISH DIARY

PRAYER LIST

Monday, 23 April

St Vincent de Paul Adamstown 3.30pm
St Vincent de Paul Kotara 5.30pm

Tuesday, 24 April

St Vincent de Paul Meeting Cardiff 5.30pm
Christian Meditation 6.00pm Kotara

Wednesday, 25 April

ANZAC Day Mass 7.00am Kotara
ANZAC Day Mass 9.30am Adamstown

SICK/SPECIAL NEEDS: for all who have asked for your prayers and ... Leonard Timmins, Leonie Pickett, Olivia & Family, Don Richards, Celedonio Casas, Michael Neild, Addison McKenna, John Cunningham, Stephani, Ella Fahey, Eileen Ayre, Veronica Hipwell, Catherine Horner, Michael G, Lizzy Oates, Karen Curran, Pat Maddison, Lorraine Caldwell, Sabina Nowak, Loris Jackson, Tommy Hawthorne, Bernadette Milne, Bill McWhinnie, Bernie Robertson, Alan Scott, Joyce Little

RECENTLY DECEASED: Noelene Smith (sister of Dot Swadling)
ANNIVERSARIES:

PARISH ROSTER

ADAMSTOWN	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	CHILDREN'S LITURGY	COUNTING	ROSARY/MORNING TEA
<u>22/4/2018</u> 9.30am	Alice Aurisch	Jeanine Hickmott Julie Malapsina	Preciosa Winter Gloria Ramage	Marion Gardner Matthew Johns	No Liturgy - School Holidays	Trevor & Alice Aurisch	
<u>29/4/2018</u> 9.30am	Jeanine Hickmott	Mary Jean Serrano-White Nadia Truninger	Tona Morris	Alice Aurisch Preciosa Winter	No Liturgy - School Holidays	Elaine Hennessy Carmel Stuart	
CARDIFF	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	COUNTING	ROSARY STATUE	MORNING TEA
<u>22/04/2018</u> 9.30am	Helen Woodham	Vaughan Marten John Lerch	Smith/McCauley Family	L & L Caldwell Sr Clare W Day C Waugh	Andrew & Sharon Murphy	John & Gloria Reynolds	
<u>29/04/2018</u> 9.30am	Vaughan Marten	Sr Clare Catherine Lerch	Lamotte Family	P Gleeson L Sullivan L Doyle Sr C Moore B Moore	Vaughan Marten Len McCullum	Anne Lamotte	
KOTARA	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	CHILDREN'S LITURGY	COUNTING	CHURCH CLEANING
<u>21/04/2018</u> 5.30pm	Helene O'Neill	Helayna McCloy Leianna McCloy	Farrell Family	T McCloy G Angeli F Robertson B Burgess N Morgan	<u>22/04/2018</u> No Liturgy - School Holidays	O'Neill Family M & L Byron	Colleen Johnson Kath Murray
<u>22/04/2018</u> 8am	Peter Bowen	John Pettett Vickie Pettett	Alanna Neilson Jonathon Seysener	A Erzetich A Cuskelly H Bradley I Adoranti P Cootes	<u>29/04/2018</u> No Liturgy - School Holidays	L & C Abbs G Hayes A Keating	Maureen & Ian Taylor
<u>28/04/2018</u> 5.30pm	Bernard Burgess	Deb Hawthorne Marilyn Thomson	Lancaster Family	L Byrnes H McCloy J Angeli G Dever S Dever	<u>06/05/2018</u> 5.30pm A & G Dever 8am Jessica Moulder	V Menzies M Noonan J Bourke	Warrick Nehl D Hannigan & K Kelly
<u>29/04/2018</u> 8am	Peter Cootes	Peter Bowen Gai Woodward	Moulder Family	V Pettett A Erzetich M & J Bourke A Cuskelly	<u>13/05/2018</u> 5.30pm R & G Angeli 8am Alanna Neilson	F Robertson J Errington T & M Britt	Gai Woodward

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ANZAC DAY - will be remembered on Wednesday, 25 April with two Masses 7.00am at Kotara and 9.30am at Adamstown.

The Parish Office will be closed this Wednesday, 25 April (ANZAC Day), Thursday & Friday.

Annual Trivia night, fundraiser for Pure Flame Youth. Friday May 4th. This year it will be held in Blackbutt NORTH Parish, at St Thérèse School Hall, New Lambton. Max 8 per table, but smaller teams can be combined if desired. Owing to the date, if anyone has any Star Wars dress up things they can lend to us for the night, that would be appreciated. Also a general appeal for any raffle prizes you can donate, or help on the night. Book your tickets now to reserve a spot. Contact Ellen Hazelton, 0407 513 813 or Marc Grimer, 0421 125 893.

Dear Ruggers - You are invited to Morning Tea after 9.30am Mass at Café Columba (St Columba's church foyer) on Sunday, 6 May to meet other crafts people and talk about rug construction. So far, 4 ladies have offered to sew the squares together. Christine Williams P 4943 3824.

ADAMSTOWN NOTICES

The Rosary will next be recited on Wednesday, 2 May at 7.00pm in the home of Francisca Adoranti, 19 Morgan St, Adamstown. All welcome.

KOTARA NOTICES

Cuppa After Mass next weekend, 28/29 April. Your hosts will be Des & Sheila Kinsella (Vigil) and Diana Hannigan, Anne Keating and Anne & Bruce Foat (Sunday). All welcome.

Kotara SVDP are looking for a second-hand lawn mower in good working order for a local client. If you can help, please call the Parish Office P 4954 0977.

St Philip's Church Children's Choir - a new initiative, we would like to help children find their voice in a dedicated Children's Choir with the aim to perform during a Mass once per month. Practice will take place on Tuesdays at lunchtime 1-2pm (45 minute practice) in St Philip's Church. Boys are welcome! If you wish to enrol your child, or for any questions, please email Patricia Caruana E pw.caruana@outlook.com and you will be sent an electronic enrolment form.

FAMILY GROUP NOTICES

Rainbow are having a Games Night on Friday 27th April, 7.00pm in the church hall. Contact Susan Lane.

Red Rovers are visiting Davistown on Wednesday,

2 May, travelling by train to Woy Woy then ferry to Davistown. Please contact Dallas O'Neill M 0466 157 380 for further details.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

Morning Tea with the Muslim Community - Bishop Bill would like you to join him for a morning tea with the Muslim community, to be held at St Patrick's Primary School Hall, Macquarie St, Wallsend on Thursday 26 April, 10.30am- 12.00pm. It will be an opportunity to meet with people from the Newcastle and Mayfield Mosques and to exchange information about our faiths. Please RSVP to Brooke Robinson, E events@mn.catholic.org.au or P 4979 1111

Christian Meditation: The Spirit in the Desert

The tradition of Christian meditation emerged from the wisdom of the Fathers and Mothers in the Egyptian desert in the fourth century. This wisdom can help us in our modern lives. You are welcome on **Saturday, 5 May**, 9.30am – noon at the Chapel of Newcastle Parish Centre, 25 Farquhar St, The Junction (enter via laneway). Morning tea provided. RSVP annecuskelly@hotmail.com or 0407 436 808. Cost \$5.

Be A Volunteer OUT THERE - Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick



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fixes, but immerse themselves in overseas communities for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, share them with our global family! Come to the Palms Info Session: Saturday 12 May, 3pm The Resistance Centre, 472 Hunter Street, Newcastle. Go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer or contact Palms on 9560 5333

Heart Women's Conference from 7 - 9 June at Fairfield RSL. A time to come together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Dream again. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. Invite your daughters, mothers, sisters and friends! Men - what women in your life can you spoil by sending them to Heart 2018? Full registration cost: \$199.00 (see our website for other registration options). Register: Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com Email: heart@TheCatholicGuy.com Phone: 1300 734 880.

See the church noticeboards for more notices.

Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year B

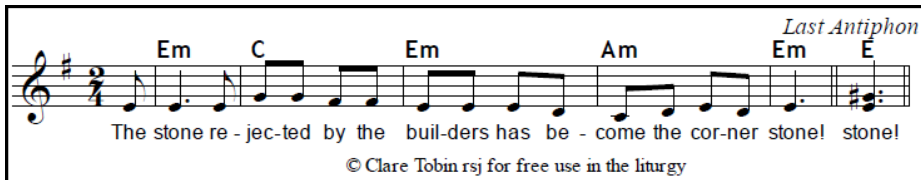
FIRST READING *Acts 4:8-12*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. R. v.22*

Last Antiphon



The stone re - jec-ted by the buil-ders has be - come the cor-ner stone! stone!

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The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men: it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.
2. I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.
3. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end.

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SECOND READING *1 Jn 3:1-2*

A reading from the first letter of St John

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,

by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;

all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him

because we shall see him as he really is.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Jn 10:14*

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Jn 10:11-18*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:

the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.

The hired man, since he is not the shepherd

and the sheep do not belong to him,

abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd;

I know my own

and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me

and I know the Father;

and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have

that are not of this fold,

and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice,

and there will be only one flock

and one shepherd.

The Father loves me,

because I lay down my life

in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me;

I lay it down of my own free will,

and as it is in my power to lay it down,

so it is in my power to take it up again;

and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

