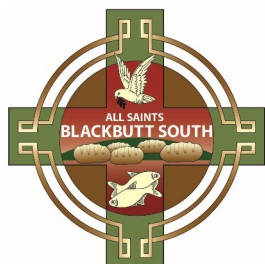


# ALL SAINTS PARISH BLACKBUTT SOUTH

Faith Communities of Adamstown, Cardiff, Kotara

Listening to God's Word  
Growing in Faith



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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

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;

Friday 9.15am; 1st Saturday 9am

## RECONCILIATION:

**Adamstown:** After 9.30am Mass Wednesday

**Cardiff:** After 9.30am Mass Thursday

**Kotara:** Saturday 9.30am

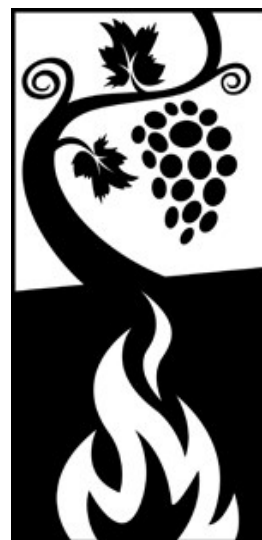
## 5th Sunday of Easter - 29 April 2018

From a Commentary by Brendan Byrne SJ

This week's **First Reading** is set soon after St Paul's

Last week's 1st reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Letter of John, dwelt upon God's love for us. The extract that forms this week's **Second Reading**, insists that the love we have received from God must flow through us to become a truly active loving in our own lives. When our 'hearts' (or as the NRSV; Jerusalem Bible says) 'conscience' are disquieted for fear we have not fulfilled God's commandments, we have only to look to see if we are fulfilling that command of love, since that and faith, are the essence of all that God wants of us. The passage ends nicely with a recollection of the Johannine theme of God's divine indwelling: to live a life of active love is to be conscious, through the experience of the Spirit, that God has made a home within us and that we too are 'at home' with God.

The **Gospel** takes us to one of the most celebrated sections of the Last Supper discourse. The image of Christ as the 'true vine' continues the theme of divine indwelling that we have already heard in the Second Reading. It has an Old Testament background in the sense of Israel as the 'vine' God brought out of Egypt and 'cultivated' in a new land.



Now the People of God are being reconstituted upon Christ as the 'true vine,' with the disciples forming the branches that are to bear its 'fruit'.

And, just as God 'cultivated' the vine that was Israel (Psalm 80), so Jesus pictures the Father as the 'vine grower'.

In this passage some hearers will probably fasten upon the detail about the withered branches being collected and thrown on the fire and interpret it as a reference to Hell. It is not necessary to take the allegory so far in this direction; better to stay within the image, which simply wants to affirm the uselessness of such branches and hence the necessity of remaining united with Christ. Believers will be truly *His* disciples when their lives manifest the love displayed in His. This will be to the 'glory' of the Father in the sense of revealing to the world that God is love.

## PARISH DIARY

## PRAYER LIST

### Monday, 30 April

St Vincent de Paul Adamstown 3.30pm

St Vincent de Paul Kotara 5.30pm

### Tuesday, 1 May

Parish Finance Committee 4.00pm Kotara

Parish Team Meeting 5.30pm Kotara

St Vincent de Paul Meeting Cardiff 5.30pm

Kotara Bereavement Group 6.00pm

Christian Meditation 6.00pm Kotara

### Wednesday, 2 May

St James' School Playgroup 9.00am Hall

**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:**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Don Beveridge, Elizabeth Hayes,

## PARISH ROSTER

ADAMSTOWN	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	CHILDREN'S LITURGY	COUNTING	ROSARY/ MORNING TEA
<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	
<u>06/05/2018</u> 9.30am	Dot Reynolds	Christine & Peter Williams	Volunteers	Stan Heaney Belen Brown	Michael & Nicole Deed	Bernadette Maher Alice Jacobs	M Young M Moulston M Gardner D'Cruz Family
CARDIFF	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	COUNTING	ROSARY STATUE	MORNING TEA
<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	
<u>06/05/2018</u> 9.30am	Liz Doyle	Chantelle Smith Sr Carmel Moore	Maria Richardson	W Day M Wilmore L McCullum Sr Jane C Waugh	Anne Keevers Dawn Wessel-Bryde	John & Julie Lerch	Peter & Pauline Rake
KOTARA	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	CHILDREN'S LITURGY	COUNTING	CHURCH CLEANING
<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>29/04/2018</u> No Liturgy - School Holidays	L & C Abbs G Hayes A Keating	Maureen & Ian Taylor
<u>29/04/2018</u> 8am	Peter Cootes	Peter Bowen Gai Woodward	Moulder Family	V Pettett A Erzetich M & J Bourke A Cuskelly	<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>05/05/2018</u> 5.30pm	Leianna McCloy	Patrick Farrell Ray Green	Sacramental Candidates	R Baer S Pink J Oliver M Thomson S Farrell	<u>13/05/2018</u> 5.30pm R & G Angeli 8am Alanna Neilson	F Robertson J Errington T & M Britt	Gai Woodward
<u>06/05/2018</u> 8am	John Pettett	Louise Byron Brendan Walker	Gai Woodward	P Bowen J Moulder P & N Smith H Bradley	<u>20/05/2018</u> 5.30pm Clare Walsh Donna Morgan 8am No Liturgy	J & V Pettett J & K Murray	Margaret Bourke  Henryka Bradley

# PARISH NEWS (WEB: [www.allsaintsblackbuttsouth.org.au](http://www.allsaintsblackbuttsouth.org.au))

**Parish Finance Committee** meets this Tuesday, 1 May, 4.00pm at Kotara.

**Parish Team** meets this Tuesday, 1 May, 5.30pm at Kotara.

**Parish Office** will be closed this Thursday & Friday.

**Sacramental Program** recommences next weekend 5/6 May with preparation for Confirmation.

**Annual Trivia night, fundraiser for Pure Flame Youth** this Friday May 4<sup>th</sup>. 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. 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) next 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

**Counting** - due the retirement of one of our volunteers from this roster, we now need another volunteer to assist with counting the Sunday collections. You would be rostered about once every 5 weeks. Please call the Parish Office if you can assist.

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

**Café Columba** will be open after the 9.30am Mass next Sunday, 6 May. Your hosts will be Maureen Young, Margaret Moulston, Marion Gardner & the D'Cruz Family.

## CARDIFF NOTICES

**Morning Tea** after 9.30am Mass next Sunday, 6 May. Your hosts will be Peter & Pauline Rake. All welcome.

**Baptism Preparation** will take place in the Cottage next Sunday, 6 May at 10.30am.

## KOTARA NOTICES

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

**The Kotara Bereavement Support Group** meets this Tuesday, 1 May, at 6.00pm in the Kotara Office. New members are welcome - phone Paula on 0411 813 101 for more information or just turn up on Tuesday night.

**Feast of St Philip and St James** this Thursday, 3 May.

**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.

## FAMILY GROUP NOTICES

**Red Rovers** are visiting Davistown this Wednesday, 2 May. Please contact Dallas O'Neill M 0466 157 380.

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

**Christian Meditation: The Spirit in the Desert**  
This wisdom can help us in our modern lives. You are welcome next **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](mailto: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 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](http://www.palms.org.au/volunteer) or contact Palms on 9560 5333



**Neophytes Mass** - You are invited to join the celebration with our Neophytes at 6pm Mass on Friday 18 May, at St Francis Xavier Church, Church St Abermain. All of the Diocesan Neophytes who were Baptised and/or Confirmed and received their First Holy Communion at Easter or at other times in the past twelve months will be welcomed into Diocesan faith family by our new Vicar General Fr Andrew Doohan. Together with their families, parishioners, RCIA representatives and any other interested people are warmly welcomed to attend. Following Mass, there will be a light meal provided and a chance to get-together to share our continuing faith journey.

**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. Register: [Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com](http://Heart.TheCatholicGuy.com)  
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