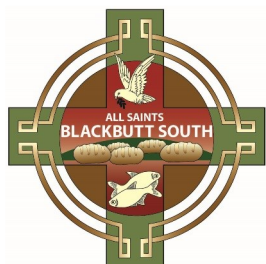


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PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

St Columba's Adamstown

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St James' Kotara

PARISH HIGH SCHOOLS

St Pius X Adamstown

St Paul's Booragul

[Links are on our Website](#)

SUNDAY MASSES

Adamstown

Sunday 8am

Cardiff

Sunday 9.30am

Kotara

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

See Christmas Timetable on Inside Page

No other Weekday Masses

4th Sunday of Advent 23rd December Year C

Fr Terry and the Parish Staff wish all a Happy and Holy Christmas with many blessings throughout the coming year, safe travelling on the roads.

Thank you to our volunteers who help make our Christmas Masses so special and especially the people in the many varied roles who work so hard to make this happen.



Although rain in the afternoon put some people off attending last Sunday's Kotara **Christmas Carols**, Richard, John, Phil and Kevin; plus singers Chloe and Serafina put on a great show. The under cover area at the front of the church, proved just the right venue for the audience of fifty or so. A wonderful night for young and old.

Current Works on parish land, include the relocation of the two demountable buildings at St Columba's School. The project will include a demountable **toilet block** which will kindly be available to **Sunday** churchgoers, as required. The buildings will run parallel to the fence line behind the church. The original grassed area between the church and the hall, will be reinstated as an open area, linking the school, the church and the hall.

Quotes have been called to repair ageing guttering on the cottage, the convent building and the hall at St Kevin's. Overflowing during heavy rainfall, has threatened water damage inside the hall, and inconvenience to people coming and going.

Water was also the cause of urgent work at St Philip's, where a serious loss of water was tracked down and found to be, beneath the church toilet. Until this work is finally completed, please use the facilities in the hall.

Though less noticeable to the casual observer, replacement of power leads attached to the fans in St Philip's, has been largely completed in time for summer. Both a safety hazard and an unsightly feature, each power point has been relocated close to each fan. Two points are yet to be moved.

It's wonderful to hear the cooling rain falling outside as I write on Thursday evening. Let's pray that any storms will be over and done with, by Christmas Eve in time for our two outdoor vigils. They are at **6.00pm** at **St Kevin's Cardiff** and **6.00pm** at **St James Hall, Kotara**. Please bring your own chairs if you plan to be outdoors at Kotara. People at Cardiff's vigil are reminded to bring a chair as usual.

Another reminder. This year there is to be no Christmas morning Mass at Kotara but there will be a **9.00am Mass** at **St Columba's, Adamstown**. It is hoped that these three Masses will suit parishioners and the visitors we can expect on this important Feast.



**Catholic Parish of All Saints
Blackbutt South**

PARISH DIARY

PRAYER LIST

Monday 24 December

Christmas Eve—Vigil Masses at Cardiff & Kotara 6.00pm

Tuesday 25 December

Christmas Day Mass Adamstown 9.00am

Wednesday 26 December

Boxing Day Polish Mass Cardiff 8.00am

SICK/SPECIAL NEEDS: *We remember in prayer ...*

Leonard Timmins, Leonie Pickett, Ella Fahey, Veronica Hipwell, Catherine Horner, Lizzy Oates, Karen Curran, Sabina Nowak, Loris Jackson, Tommy Hawthorne, Bernadette Milne, Marion Bridges, Algi & Geraldine Bajelis, Mick King, Jackie Williams, Margaret McLellan, Jan Hobson, Maria Kennedy, Lewis Peel (Purcell), Warren Sheppard, Marge Johnstone, Jon Runchel, Patricia Nolan, Sisters of Sri Lanka and the Tamil people, Francisco Carino, Ann & Peter Mitchell,

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kitty Doherty

ANNIVERSARIES: Julian, Nadzia & John Marczak, James William Bridges, Mateusz Kanonczuk, Anne Martin, Sr Jude, Sr Helen, Vincent Cleur, Les Chipperfield, Paul Day

BAPTISM at Cardiff: Henry Arthur (During Mass)

PARISH ROSTER

ADAMSTOWN	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	CHILDREN'S LITURGY	COUNTING	MORNING TEA
<u>23/12/2018</u> 8.00am	Julie Malaspina	Peter & Christine Williams	Kathy Kelly Gai Woodward	Margaret Bond Marion Gardner Sr Therese Wilkinson	No Liturgy School Holidays	Alice Aurisch Preciosa Winter Gloria Ramage	
<u>30/12/2018</u> 8am	Gai Woodward	Paula O'Neill Belen Brown	Tona Morris	P&N Smith A Aurisch	No Liturgy School Holidays	Elaine Hennessy Carmel Stuart	
CARDIFF	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	COUNTING	ROSARY STATUE	MORNING TEA
<u>23/12/2018</u> 9.30am	Paul Gleeson	Sr Clare McCudden Catherine Lerch	Lerch Family	L Sullivan, V Marten E Doyle B Moore	Leonie Sullivan Maria Richardson	Anne Lamotte	
<u>30/12/2018</u> 9.30am	Peter Jennings	Sr Carmel Moore Barry Moore	Jennings Family	D Wessel-Bryde H woodham, W Day, M Wilmore, L McCullum	Michael Perkins Penny Harrison	John & Julie Lerch	
KOTARA	COMMENTATOR	READERS	GIFTS	EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS	CHILDREN'S LITURGY	COUNTING	CHURCH CLEANING
<u>22/12/2018</u> 5.30pm	Leianna McCloy	Elaine Abery Faye Robertson	Lukaszewicz Family	H McCloy D Morgan V Pettett M & J Bourke	<u>22/12/2018</u> No Liturgy School Holidays	Kathy Kelly O'Neill Family	Margaret Bourke
<u>29/12/2018</u> 5.30pm	Peter Cunningham	Susanna & Wayne Caruana	Lancaster Family	J Angeli J Moulder R Baer S Pink N Morgan	<u>28/12/2018</u> No Liturgy School Holidays	John Bourke Val Menzies Mark Noonan	Tom & Marge Britt Henryka Bradley

PARISH NOTICES

Parish Office Closures over the Christmas and New Year Period - 24, 25, 26 & 31 December and 1 January. The office will be open on Thursday, 27 December and Friday, 28 December only.

New Mass Rosters for the period 23 December to 17 March have now been emailed. Spare copies are available for collection at the back of our churches.

Church Parking: There have been a couple of instances lately where parishioners and/or other visitors have been observed parking too close to double white lines (a gap of 3 metres is required), too close to intersections or across the driveways of our neighbours. Please take some time to give due consideration to where and how you park your car. Thank you.

Counters, please note: any Christmas Offering Envelopes are to be noted separately and included in the First Collection. Thank you.

There will only be one Collection at our Christmas Masses which will be distributed as is customary to several charitable organizations.

ADAMSTOWN NOTICES

The Rosary will be recited on Wednesday 26th December at 7pm in the home of Terry & Marian Slupik, 29 Crockett Street, Cardiff South. Phone 0414 540 309.

St Vincent de Paul Society has a small number of Columban Calendars for sale at \$7 and **Christmas Cards** available for purchase after the 8.00am Mass.

CARDIFF NOTICES

HELP!!!! needed after Mass TODAY to set up church for Christmas and for Christmas Vigil Mass.



We would like to thank all for your Prayers and love at this sad time. Charlie looked forward to Sunday Mass, he called it, "the Social Club".

Thanks once again for Cards, Love and Support. Barbara Fisher and Family.

Parking for Sunday Mass at St Kevin's in December and January

There is no parking available on the school site until February 2019. This is due to major works

being done on the roof and the construction of the new toilet block. This is a WHS compliance issue to keep workmen and parishioners safe.

Outdoor Christmas Eve Mass

Due to construction and WHS guidelines, there will be no car access to, or parking within the school grounds for our Christmas Eve Mass. Parishioners will need to park in surrounding streets and access the COLA/Hall via Newcastle Street or walk down between the Church and the convent. Apologies for any inconvenience, but this was the timeline planned by the Diocesan Building Property Services Department to coincide with optimum opportunities to complete such major work when there are no children here at school.

KOTARA NOTICES

Wanted: Christmas Bush, Agapanthus & White Daisies to decorate the church for Christmas. Please leave flowers in the buckets at the front door of the St James' School Hall by 9am on Christmas Eve. Thank you.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the church for the Christmas Mass Vigil Mass. Please gather St James' School Hall between 8-9.00 am on Christmas Eve.

St Vincent de Paul Piety Stall has a limited number of this year's Christmas Cards at \$6.00 for a pack of 10 different designs and a small number of Columban Calendars still available at \$7.00.

Purchase Officer for the Monthly Cuppa - we are seeking a volunteer to purchase the supplies (tea, coffee, milk, biscuits etc.) for the monthly cuppa which is served following the last Vigil Mass of each month from February - November. If you can assist, please call Gai Woodward M 0417 436 536 for a run down on the duties.

Christmas Masses

CHRISTMAS EVE *Monday 24th December*

Kotara Vigil : 6pm (Latecomers BYO Chairs)

Cardiff Vigil : 6pm (BYO Chairs - Outdoor)

CHRISTMAS DAY

Tuesday 25th December

Adamstown : 9am

BOXING DAY

Wednesday 26th December

Cardiff : 8am Polish Mass



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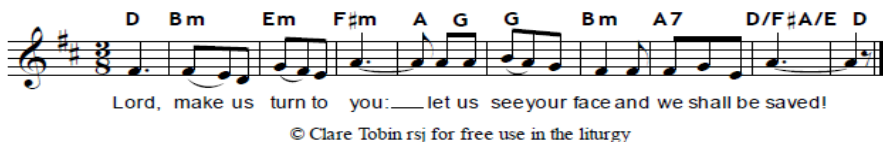
FIRST READING *Mi 5:1-4*

A reading from the prophet Micah

The Lord says this:

You, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
the least of the clans of Judah,
out of you will be born for me
the one who is to rule over Israel;
his origin goes back to the distant past,
to the days of old.
The Lord is therefore going to abandon
them
till the time when she who is to give birth
gives birth.
Then the remnant of his brothers will come
back
to the sons of Israel.
He will stand and feed his flock
with the power of the Lord,
with the majesty of the name of his God.
They will live secure, for from then on he
will extend his power
to the ends of the land.
He himself will be peace.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 79:2-3. 15-16. 18-19.* *R. v.4*



**Lord, make us turn to you; Let us see your face
and we shall be saved.**

1. O Shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.
O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. (R.)
2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)
3. May your hand be on the man you have
chosen,
the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your
name.

**Lord, make us turn to you; Let us see your face
and we shall be saved.**

SECOND READING *Heb 10:5-10*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

This is what Christ said, on coming into the world:

You who wanted no sacrifice or oblation,
prepared a body for me.
You took no pleasure in holocausts or
sacrifices for sin;
then I said,
just as I was commanded in the scroll of the
book,
'God, here I am! I am coming to obey your
will.'

Notice that he says first: You did not want what the Law lays down as the things to be offered, that is: the sacrifices, the oblations, the holocausts and the sacrifices for sin, and you took no pleasure in them; and then he says: Here I am! I am coming to obey your will. He is abolishing the first sort to replace it with the second. And this will was for us to be made holy by the offering of his body made once and for all by Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Lk 1:38*

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Lk 1:39-45*

*A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke*

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

