

25th October 2020
30 Sunday Ordinary Time Year A

Listening to God's Word
Growing in Faith



Reaching out to All

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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](#)

ALL SAINTS PARISH BLACKBUTT SOUTH

Faith Communities of Adamstown, Cardiff, Kotara



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil Kotara-5.30pm; Sunday Adamstown-8am;

Sunday Cardiff-9.30am; Kotara-5.30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30am Adamstown; Wednesday 7am Kotara; 9.30am

Adamstown; Thursday Cardiff 9.30am; Friday 9.15am Kotara

Saturday 9.30am Cardiff (31/10 the last of October Masses)

RECONCILIATION/SPIRITUAL NEEDS

Fr Joseph available by appointment Saturdays from 11 till 3pm

Scriptural context – Quoting scripture

The question and response that we see in this gospel passage was a common form of scholarly debate in the Jewish tradition. The Pharisees ask Jesus which of the commandments is the greatest. Jesus responds by directly quoting the commandment from the ancient scriptures. His reply, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind,' comes directly from Deuteronomy 6:4. Further, Jesus' followup, 'you must love your neighbour as yourself,' comes from Leviticus 19:18. Deuteronomy and Leviticus are two of the first five books of the Bible that make up the Jewish Torah, or Law.

Living the Gospel – Compassion

Jesus' words call us to love our neighbour as ourselves. We are called to treat others as we would like to be treated ourselves. To be able to do this, we need to picture ourselves in their place – experiencing all that they are experiencing; not imposing our own values and circumstances. To see ourselves in the place of another is the key to responding with compassion. The origin of the word 'compassion' means experiencing with. If we are able to truly 'experience with' another person perhaps then we can genuinely recognise and respond to their needs.

Gospel Focus – Love your neighbour as yourself

There is an implicit, or understood, commandment within the command to love your neighbour as yourself. That is, we must first love ourselves. Whilst to say someone 'loves themselves' is used as a criticism of a person who is a bit too vain, that is not what is intended here. If we are to love others as we love ourselves we must first be content and happy with who we are. It is only when we are comfortable with who we are that we are able to reach out to those around us with compassion.

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Parish News

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

Leonie Pickett, Veronica Hipwell, Karen Curran, Bernadette Milne, Algi & Geraldine Bajelis, Mick King, Margaret McLellan, Jan Hobson, Lewis Peel (Purcell), Rita Martin, Emma Pacifico, Lorraine Caldwell, Emilinda Peralta, Loris Jackson, Linda McDonald, Dean Hart, Barry Moore, Leigh Hooper, Chris Patsan, Catherine Horner, Albert Erzetich, Catherine Hobbs, Bernadette Coffey, Dorota Bakowska, Carlo Rossi, Abby Rodwell, Gae Alderton, Ernestina Klein, Alexander Klein

And for all those who have been affected by COVID-19 and the frontline and medical staff that are caring for them.

ANNIVERSARIES: Thomas Britt

	COMMENTATOR	LECTORS	COUNTING
24/10/2020 5.30pm	Christine Sheppard	Giavanna Angeli Marilyn Thomson	
25/10/2020 5.30pm Kotara	Basia Zozworek	Caurana Family	
25/10/2020 8am Adamstown	Diana Hannigan	Christine Williams Dot Reynolds	
25/10/2020 9.30am Cardiff	Sr Carmel Moore	Cathy Waugh Anne Lamotte	
31/10/2020 5.30pm Kotara	To be Advised	Giavanna Angeli Volunteer	
1/11/2020 5.30pm Kotara	To be Advised	Advised	
1/11/2020 8am Adamstown	Diana Hannigan	Paula O'Neill Barry Bourke	
1/11/2020 9.30am Cardiff	Anne Lamotte	Majella Maher John Lerch	

The annual **Church Appeal for Catholic Mission...**
continues this weekend...

Envelopes are available and donations can be made by either of the following methods:

Place Appeal envelope in 2nd collection box.

Free Post: complete your donation details & return in reply paid Appeal envelope.

Thank you for your ongoing prayerful and financial support of the work of Catholic Mission.



Parish News

Nominations for Pastoral Council are now being accepted. Each Mass Centre is asked to nominate at least 15 members please.

Communion Ministry:

- ⇒ Volunteers needed to take communion to residents at HammondCare Nursing Home, Macquarie Road, Cardiff—can you help, if so contact Parish Office for details. You will need to have completed volunteer documentation registration.
- ⇒ We are in the process of updating our communion at Home lists. Please advise parish office if you are taking communion to any of our housebound/elderly or sick parishioners.

New steel bollards have been erected in St James' School Parking Area. Please be aware when parking that these are in place and have been concreted in.

Parish Bulletin is distributed via email each Thursday. If you would like to be added to our distribution list, or if you wish to be removed please contact Parish Office.

Live stream Mass every Sunday at 9.30am at <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/>

Rainbow Family Group are having a Birthday Dinner on Monday 16 November 6pm for 6.30pm at Mary Ellen Hotel, Merewether. Contact Christine Sheppard by 9 November for bookings.

You are invited to be a pilgrim on the aMeN caMiNo!

Using intervals of the Great North Walk, this five-day pilgrimage is a journey through the Watagans, around the lake and the beautiful Hunter beaches. A bush, mountain, beach, city and pub experience.

This is a 'M' (Maitland) 'N' (Newcastle) Camino for 'e' everyone! Yes! aMeN!

On the aMeN caMiNo you will encounter relationship, story, the grace of God in the beautiful landscape of our own backyard. The aMeN caMiNo will stretch your body, mind and spirit and provides an opportunity of transformation.

If you are interested in joining the aMeN caMiNo in 2021, please fill an expression of interest form by November 30.

https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/media/4437/31816-dio_amen-camino_flyer-proof01.pdf

REGISTRATION at WEEKEND MASSES: from next weekend rotating roster may come into effect to allow fair attendance for all in our Parish. Kotara (50); Adamstown (50); Cardiff (42) limit.

You will need to register by 3pm on Wednesday. If you are unable to attend please contact the Parish Office by 3pm on Wednesday.

Fr Joseph is be **offering all parishioners a further opportunity** to attend Sunday Mass. This extra Mass will commence on **this Sunday 25th October 5.30pm** at Kotara.

Diocese of Maitland- Newcastle presents a range of free presentations and courses this November. **NEW EVENT!**

- ⇒ Nicholas King SJ presents: Bringing The Gospel to Life- Wed., 4 Nov. 6.30pm-8pm
- ⇒ Communion of Saints: presented by the Formation and Education team over 4 weeks. Commencing Thursday Nov 5 to 19. 6.30pm-8pm
- ⇒ Relationships Matter: presented by the Formation and Education team. Wed., 11 Nov. 7-8.30pm
- ⇒ Michael Smith SJ presents: Why Pilgrimage? Tues., 17 Nov. 7-8pm
- ⇒ Nicholas King SJ presents: Mark- The Strangest Gospel Wed., 18 Nov. 6.30pm-8pm
- ⇒ Q & A with Father Anthony Coloma. Wed., 25 Nov. 6.30pm-8pm

To register go to Adult Faith Formation page on the Diocesan website.

Fr Joseph Figurado is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Fr. Joseph Figurado - Evening Rosary
Time: Oct 18, 2020 08:00 PM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71775465955?pwd=MEhEK3RGSEZYczNVajVIVkRESkZBQT09>

Meeting ID: 717 7546 5955
Passcode: Rosary



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First Reading Ex 22:20-26

If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51. R. v.2

(R.) I love you, Lord, my strength.

1. I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my
stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. *(R.)*
2. Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. *(R.)*

Second Reading 1 Thes 1:5-10

You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and

Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

*All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we
will come to them.*

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 22:34-40

You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'



Responsorial Psalm

We will continue to recite the Psalm as normal.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace to people
of good will
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great
glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father
Lord Jesus Christ,
Only begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father
You take away the sins of the
world,
have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the
world,
receive our prayer
You are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most high
Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father.
Amen

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,