

7th February 2021
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B

Listening to God's Word
Growing in Faith



Reaching out to All

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PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS

St Columba's Adamstown

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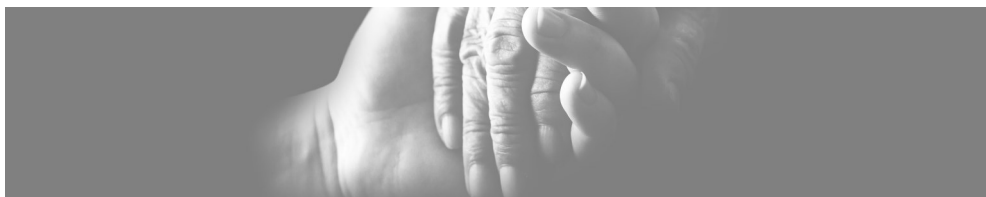
PARISH HIGH SCHOOLS

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 8.00am;

Sunday Cardiff 9.30am

Holy Hour of Adoration Sunday 6.30-7.15pm at Kotara

WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Tuesday 9.30am Adamstown

Wednesday 7.00am Kotara; 9.30am Adamstown;

Thursday Cardiff 9.30am; Friday 9.15am Kotara



Year of St Joseph

Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* (With a Father's and Mother's Heart), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed this year

as: "**Year of St Joseph**", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021.

All are invited to participate in the celebrations throughout this year as we will be celebrating this as a year of family for our Parish

March 19 is the Feastday of St Joseph, the husband of Mary, and we will be celebrating this solemnity in our Parish—with Mass at Kotara 9.15am. We thank our Sisters of St Joseph on their patronal Feast with a gesture of gratitude for all the sisters who have worked so tirelessly in our communities.

Fr Joseph Figurado
Parish Priest

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Shrove Tuesday 16 February 2021

Will be held **St Kevin's Church** 7pm followed by Pikelet Supper in MacKillop Room St Kevin's Cottage.

An opportunity **for all** in the Parish to prepare for Lent. Includes burning of Palms.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

17th February

Day of Fast and Abstinence

- Kotara 7am
- Adamstown 9.30am
- Cardiff 6pm



Parish News

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

Leonie Pickett, Veronica Hipwell, Karen Curran, 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 Hobbs, Bernadette Coffey, Dorota Bakowska, Abby Rodwell, Gae Alderton, Ernestina Klein, Alexander Klein, Joseph Cuschieri, Geoffrey Caruana, Ian Barton, Nance Schreiber, Maria Richardson, Stanislaw Ksiadz, Maria Kanonczuk

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Les Young, Ewa Zyrek, Mietek Zyrek, Petra Salna

ANNIVERSARIES: Frank Galvin, Laurie Hafey, Margaret Rinkin, Adam Caldwell, Wilfred McCudden

BAPTISM: Florence Roberts

COUNTING	ADAMSTOWN	CARDIFF	KOTARA
07/02/2021	Kathy Kelly Paula O'Neill Francine Goodman	Len McCullum	Narelle Robb Patricia Hines Paul Crosbie
14/02/2021	Dot Reynolds Lyn Johns	N/A	N/A

YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH

"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life"

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.



PROJECT COMPASSION **BE MORE**

Each week during this Lenten season, Caritas Australia is holding Virtual Immersion opportunities for parishes via Zoom video conferencing. These digital engagements will allow participants to focus on prayer and reflection, Catholic Social Teaching and an interview and Q&A with Caritas International Program staff.

Sessions will run Tuesdays and Thursdays for one hour across Australia. You can register for a Virtual Immersion by going to lent.caritas.org.au.

Historical Context – Capernaum

Jesus appears to have made Capernaum his base after leaving Nazareth. He may, in fact, have based himself at Simon Peter's house. There are many references in the gospels to Jesus' actions in Capernaum. Archaeologists have identified the house in Capernaum that they believe to be Simon Peter's house – less than 100 metres from the Capernaum synagogue. Evidence reveals carved inscriptions and symbols that identify both Jesus and Peter. The house appears to have been used as a 'house-church' until a church was built on the site in the 5th Century. Excavations of the site can be seen today.

Have you thought? Simon's Wife?

In this week's reading, it is Simon's mother-in-law who is healed. This obviously means that Simon is married. However, there is no mention whatsoever about his wife. Is she alive or dead? Do they have children? We have no indication. It is not until the writings of Paul (1 Cor 9:5) that we learn Simon Peter was indeed married and that his wife accompanied him on his travels. Perhaps this visit to his family home was to announce to his wife and family that he had decided to follow Jesus and give up fishing.

Living the Gospel – Prayer

In the midst of an extremely hectic 24 hours where Jesus effectively launches his public ministry, Jesus takes time to go aside to a lonely place and pray. The passage tells us that it was 'long before dawn' that he did this. It may have been his usual practice to pray early in the morning or he may have been restless after the events of the previous day and the thought of what lay ahead. Nevertheless, Jesus provides us with a model of using prayer to reflect on events and to prepare ourselves for the day ahead.

Our Parish Notices

COMBINED

The New Parish Mobile Number for Fr Joseph is 0438 769 922.

Effective Immediately Registration for Mass and other events at our parish sites will be via the **Service NSW QR code** on arrival. Please download the Service NSW App if you have not already done so.

Baptism Team Meeting - this Tuesday, 9 February 4.30pm at Kotara.

Holy Hour of Adoration with Music, Meditation, Exposition and Benediction from 6.30 - 7.15pm each Sunday at St Philip's Kotara. All are welcome.

Parish Planned Giving Program - The Parish is looking to finalise our next order of Planned Giving Envelopes for the 2021 – 2022 Financial Year. The deadline for the order is **Thursday, 18 February**.

We would like to hear from you **before this date if any of the following apply**. You:

- a) have not yet collected your Planned Giving Envelopes for the current financial year 2020 -2021
- b) would like to join the Parish Planned Giving Program
- c) would like to move to Regular Electronic Planned Giving from your account or credit card (the preferred method)
- d) consider you no longer need Planned Giving Envelopes

We look forward to hearing from you.

Reminder re Singing - under the Public Health Order, no communal singing is allowed. Only the choir is permitted to sing and this is currently limited to 5 people. Specific physical distancing restrictions also apply.

Lent 2021 with Bruce Downes The Catholic Guy Be inspired, Be refreshed, Be renewed! Come on a 40 day journey with me and I know this will be a powerful and prayerful Lenten journey together. Receive a short inspiring video each day during Lent. This program is FREE and you can sign up here: <https://BruceDownes.org/Lent> Call 1300 734 880 for more information.

ADAMSTOWN

Car parking is available inside the school playground. To access, please drive through the school gates between the back of the parish hall and school toilet block.

Adamstown St Vincent de Paul Conference wishes to thank all those who contributed to the 2020 Christmas Appeal. The St Vincent de Paul box is located at the back of the church should anyone wish to make a donation.

DIOCESAN NOTICES: See Noticeboards

Don't miss out on anything in your Diocese! Go to mnnews.today to see updates and read stories about what is happening locally.

Parish COVID-19 Safety Plan Requirements

Thank you for your continuing efforts to help us support and protect our fellow parishioners and visitors during this pandemic. It is important we remain vigilant. The Parish COVID-19 Safety Plans continue to be updated as we receive advice from the NSW Government and Bishop's Office. These are available for your information and review at each Mass Centre.

Please remember, it is your responsibility to ensure you stay home if you are not feeling well.

The capacity limits of our churches have now changed due to the 2 square metre rule : Adamstown & Kotara - 100 each and Cardiff - 84. This includes funerals.

Effective immediately, registration for Mass and all other liturgies will be via the **Service NSW QR code on arrival**. We ask parishioners with phones to assist others who may not have a phone to register. Capacity will be subject to the limits outlined above.

The previous arrangements concerning a 'discrete' group (e.g. a family, a household etc.) **have been discontinued. The contact details of all persons entering a church building or attending a religious service must be collected** (this includes anyone assisting with the liturgy including sacristans, lectors etc.)

Sanitisation is required before entering the church. Please maintain required social distancing and refrain from gathering before/after any liturgy.

Parishioners are asked to ensure doors and windows are open and fans on to increase natural ventilation.

Everyone is encouraged to download and to continue to keep the COVIDSafe App active.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

First Reading Jb 7:1-4. 6-7

I am filled with sorrow all day long.

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more
than pressed service,
his time no better than hired drudgery?
Like the slave, sighing for the shade,
or the workman with no thought but his
wages,
months of delusion I have assigned to
me,
nothing for my own but nights of grief.
Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be
day?'
Risen I think, 'how slowly evening
comes!'
Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days
have passed,
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.
Remember that my life is but a breath,
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 146:1-6. R. v.3

**(R.) Praise the Lord who heals the
broken-hearted.**

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving:
to him our praise is due. (R.)
2. The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
He fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name. (R.)
3. Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust. (R.)

Second Reading 1 Cor 9:16-19. 22-23

Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel

I do not boast of preaching the gospel,
since it is a duty which has been laid on
me; I should be punished if I did not preach
it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might
have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is
a responsibility which has been put into my
hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is
this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the

Good News free, and not insist on the rights
which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I
have made myself the slave of everyone so
as to win as many as I could. For the weak I
made myself weak. I made myself all things
to all men in order to save some at any cost;
and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel,
to have a share in its blessings.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 8:17

Alleluia, alleluia!

*He bore our sickness,
and endured our suffering
Alleluia!*

Gospel Mk 1:29-39

*He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or
another.*

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with
James and John straight to the house of
Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-
in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they
told him about her straightaway. He went to
her, took her by the hand and helped her
up. And the fever left her and she began to
wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to
him all who were sick and those who were
possessed by devils. The whole town came
crowding round the door, and he cured
many who were suffering from diseases
of one kind or another; he also cast out
many devils, but he would not allow them
to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got
up and left the house, and went off to
a lonely place and prayed there. Simon
and his companions set out in search of
him, and when they found him they said,
'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered,
'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring
country towns, so that I can preach there
too, because that is why I came.' And he
went all through Galilee, preaching in their
synagogues and casting out devils.



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial
with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and
the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the proph-
ets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the for-
giveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection
of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.