

St Joseph's Catholic Church Oatley

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Schedule of Masses		Baptisms
Saturday	6 pm (Vigil for Sunday)	By appointment (usually Sunday, 11am)
Sunday	8 am, 10 am	Confessions Saturday 5:00-5:45 pm (the confessional is in the sacristy and is completely private and anonymous)
Tuesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	Exposition Thursday, 9am to 11:45am (with benediction at 11:40am)
Wednesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	
Thursday	12 noon (Rosary 11:45)	
Friday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	
Saturday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	

24 August 2008: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Amelia Barns (ann. 23/8), Roma Carlton (ann. 29/8) and those who are sick or who have asked for or need our prayers, including, Flavian Harris, Cath Mullally, Alexis Blades, Antoinette Karam, Margaret Hinton, Michelle Steffens, Terry Clark, Des O'Connell, Susan Childs, Brad, and Gabrielle.

Marie Molloy and Family with to sincerely thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy in our sad bereavement. Also a special 'thank you' to Shirley Quinlan for her constant attention to Pat.

BE MY WITNESS TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH: This weekend our Parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. Dorothy Makasa, originally from Zambia, and part of the Education team of Catholic Mission, will be talking to us at Masses this weekend. Please join in the spirit of World Youth Day and be Christ's witness the world over. Like Christ, we are called to make a true sacrifice, not just a simple gesture. Your generosity is vital to our world.

Bishop Julian Porteous Pastoral Visit to our Parish: Bishop Porteous will be visiting the Parish next weekend starting on Friday, 29 August. There will be a meeting on Friday night between 7 and 8pm in the Marian Hall and everyone is invited to attend. Bishop Porteous will be celebrating and preaching at all Masses next weekend.

Report from the St Joseph's St Vincent de Paul Conference. Last financial year the Oatley Conference made around 60 home and nursing home visits and provided more than \$7,600 in assistance to the sick, lonely and needy. The conference appreciates the support of Father John, the St Joseph's School community and all our benefactors in the parish. Meetings take place in the Marian Hall on the first and third Mondays of each month at 7 45pm. Parishioners are always most welcome to attend.

Congratulations to Isabelle Morgan, John Frketic, Remi Coyle, Mia Dimento, Lily Dimento, Ruby Brown, Justin Portelli, Jazmin Elder, Talia Craven, Sienna Milla, Georgia Tyrriil, Leo Tyrriil, Zali Ruiz, Gerard Keats and Elyssa Tai who were recently baptised in our Parish church.

Money counters needed: We have had a response to the request for volunteers for a counters' roster for our weekly collections, but would appreciate more help. It would hopefully involve about 2 hours once a month. Please speak with Fr John or Margaret (in school hours, Tues, Thurs or Fri) if you are able to help. We will have a training session soon!

Parish History, a note from Norm Windred: I am about to put together a history of the parish and would appreciate written contributions, photos and press clippings to ensure a full and accurate final result. These could be given to me personally or to Margaret in the office. Please put them in a large envelope with name and address so that they can be returned in due course.
Norm Windred

Vocation Discernment Weekend 3-5 October 2008 (Fri evening to Sun afternoon)
Feel called to the Priesthood? Don't be left wondering! Come to a weekend at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd. Registration is essential. To register or to enquire, please contact: Vocation Centre Level 11, 133 Liverpool Street, Sydney.
Tel: 9390-5280 or 9390-5287 vocations@sydney.catholic.org.au

Prayer for Fathers: Monday 8 September - You are invited to Mass and Intercessory Prayer with Blessed Mary MacKillop at Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel Mount Street, North Sydney. Special Intention = Fathers. Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 11:30 am, 1 pm. Intercessory Prayer 12:15 pm, 1:45 pm

Collections Last Weekend

1st: \$779	2nd: \$320	Envelopes: \$1983
CWF (Received to date) \$3505		

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens
Sat 23 Aug 6pm	Glenn McLachlan	Mark O'Brien	Georgia Scotton Madeleine Cox	Brian Smith
Sun 24 Aug 8am	Sam Attard	Louis Minihan	Gabrielle Liaker Alex Sherman	Tom Ryan
Sun 24 Aug 10am	Phillip Merrick	Alex Merrick	Samantha Roberts Alex Merrick	David Lee
Sat 30 Aug 6pm	Glenn McLachlan	Kyle McLachlan	Jared McLachlan Lachlan Watt	Paul Doepel
Sun 31 Aug 8am	Vince Cordi	Rod West	Jemille West Jordan West	Mark Shad
Sun 31 Aug 10am	Danny Clark	Mirjana Males	Thomas Clark Michael Armson	Richard McMillan
Children's Liturgy			Altar Society	
Sun 24 Aug	Catherine Clark, Vesna Zuvic		Marcia Smith, Joan Gilmore	
Sun 31 Aug	Linda Bleakley		Margaret Pullen, Willy Van Wanrooy	

