

## St. Joseph's Catholic Church Oatley

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<b>Schedule of Masses</b>		<b>Baptisms</b>	By appointment (usually Sunday, 11am)
<b>Saturday</b>	5 pm (Vigil for Sunday)	<b>Confessions</b>	Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm
<b>Sunday</b>	8 am, 10 am	<b>Exposition</b>	Thursday, 9am to 11.45am (with benediction at 11.30am)
<b>Monday</b>	8am (Rosary 7.45)		
<b>Tuesday</b>	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
<b>Wednesday</b>	8am (Rosary 7.45)		
<b>Thursday</b>	12 Noon (Rosary 11.45)		
<b>Friday</b>	8am (Rosary 7.45)		
<b>Saturday</b>	8am (Rosary 7.45)		

### 26 May 2019 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

**Masses and Prayers;** Frances Canham (rec dec), Joan Sproule (rec dec). Sr Merylyn Browne (rec dec), Daniel Andreallo (rec dec), Anthony Constantine (rec dec), Ruby Milgate (ann.1/6), Leslie Kelly (ann. 26/5), Maureen Stevens (ann.31/5), members of CWL, and those who are sick, including Marcella Hill.

**READ IT AGAIN AND AGAIN:** "You can have flaws, be anxious, and even be angry, but do not forget that your life is the greatest enterprise in the world. Only you can stop it from going bust. Many appreciate you, admire you and love you. Remember that to be happy is not to have a sky without a storm, a road without accidents, work without fatigue, relationships without disappointments. To be happy is to find strength in forgiveness, hope in battles, security in the stage of fear, love in discord. It is not only to enjoy the smile, but also to reflect on the sadness. It is not only to celebrate the successes, but to learn lessons from the failures. It is not only to feel happy with the applause, but to be happy in anonymity. Being happy is not a fatality of destiny, but an achievement for those who can travel within themselves. To be happy is to stop feeling like a victim and become your destiny's author.

It is to cross deserts, yet to be able to find an oasis in the depths of our soul. It is to thank God for every morning, for the miracle of life. Being happy is not being afraid of your own feelings. It's to be able to talk about you. It is having the courage to hear a "no". It is confidence in the face of criticism, even when unjustified. It is to kiss your children, pamper your parents, to live poetic moments with friends, even when they hurt us. To be happy is to let live the creature that lives in each of us, free, joyful and simple. It is to have maturity to be able to say: "I made mistakes". It is to have the courage to say "I am sorry". It is to have the sensitivity to say, "I need you". It is to have the ability to say "I love you". May your life become a garden of opportunities for happiness. That in spring may it be a lover of joy. In winter a lover of wisdom. And when you make a mistake, start all over again. For only then will you be in love with life. You will find that to be happy is not to have a perfect life. But use the tears to irrigate tolerance. Use your losses to train patience. Use your mistakes to sculptor serenity. Use pain to plaster pleasure. Use obstacles to open windows of intelligence. Never give up .... Never give up on people who love you. Never give up on happiness, for life is an incredible show."  
(Pope Francis).

**St Joseph's Primary School Oatley, enrolments will close on Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> May.**

**First Holy Communion, is on the weekend of 15/16 June 2019**

Classes are on Sundays ; 26<sup>th</sup> May 8.45 am; 2<sup>nd</sup> June 8.45am; 9<sup>th</sup> June 8.45 am.

**Disabled Parking Only Zone adjacent to the Church:** The Georges River Council proposes to convert one unrestricted on-street parking space in Frederick Street adjacent to the Church to a "Disabled Parking Only" zone with a curb ramp at the rear of the proposed zone to meet Australian Standard requirements. This will follow on from the space already reserved for Wedding and Funeral Vehicles. When Parking cars for Mass on weekdays and weekends, parishioners should take careful note of Parking restrictions

**Knitters wanted** – As winter is approaching the St Vincent de Paul, Oatley Conference is seeking knitters in the parish to make beanies and scarfs for adult men, women and for children of farming families in the drought areas. For those who do not knit a donation of these items together with pairs of gloves and socks will be greatly appreciated.

**Children's Liturgy.** If anyone can help with the Children's Liturgy, during Sunday 10am Mass, in the Marion Hall. Once in a school term. All materials are provided. Please contact Fr Paul Hilder.

Our Parish Group of the **Life Ascending Movement** meets in the Marian Hall on Friday 7 June from 10.30 am - 12.30 pm (*and the second Friday of each month except Jan*). **If you are retired or nearing retirement, you are invited** to join with like-minded parishioners in prayer and friendship and in getting to know more about the fruits of this new Movement within our Church, with its spirituality for older people. An important feature is it provides retirees with the opportunity to make worthwhile contributions to our Church within the scope of their individual circumstances.

### Collections and Rosters

1st \$728		2nd: \$496		Envelopes \$ 1487	
Money Counters Roster		Sun 28 May Vince & Jenny Elliott			
		Sun 4 June Marcia & Brian Smith			
	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens	
Sat 25 May 5pm	Vince Elliott	George Novak	Livia V Ana Beretin L	Brian Smith	
Sun 26 May 8am	Robert Dimeo	Sandra Soldo	No Servers	Mark Shad	
Sun 26 May 10am	Danny Clarke	Alison Felici	John M Anthony A	Lewis Degabriele	
Sat 1 June 5pm	Glenn McLachlan	George Lazar	Amber L Grace C	John Perkins	
Sun 2 June 8am	George Lazar	Vesna Zuvic	No Servers	Seb Arena	
Sun 2 June 10am	Vince Elliott	Emma Bennett	Zamarah V Felicity G	David Lee	
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>		<b>Rosary Leader</b>	<b>Altar Society</b>		
Sun 26 May	Leilah Nelson	Brian Rayment	Marcia Smith		
Sun 2 June	Alison Felici	Marcia Smith	Susan Canham Angela Nadile		