

St. Joseph's Catholic Church Oatley



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St. Joseph's Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 5.00 pm **Sunday:** 8 am and 10 am

Weekday Masses: at 8 am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday

Thursday: Mass at 12 md

Public Holidays: 9 am only

Confessions are available before the 5 pm Vigil Mass (4 pm to 4.45 pm)

WELCOME BACK

St Joseph's Church is open from 7 am to 6 pm daily, and the usual Mass timetable as above apply. We look forward to seeing everyone at Mass.

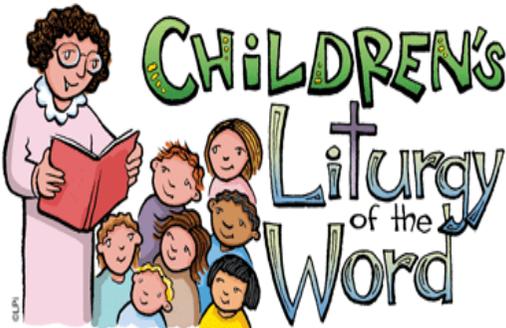
Pentecost Sunday – 5th June 2022

MASSES FOR THE DECEASED: Omas Brischetto, recently deceased; Frances Canham, Rev. Dennis Murphy msc, Rev. Barry Hanson, Rev. James Bruce, Alice Nelson, anniversaries.

THE BREATH OF GOD: To the Israelites of old, God spoke in the wind. For them the wind was the breath of God upon the earth. They saw in the wind his breath powerful and invigorating. It was the activity and energy of God at work. The wind moved over the dark waters and barren stretches of a formless universe transforming it so that darkness gave way to light, chaos to harmony and a waste land to cultivated beauty. Then the Lord took the dust and shaped it into the form of a human being and breathed into its nostrils the breath of life: *and man became a living soul.*

Thus, it was that humanity, because of the breath of God within each individual, took on a divine likeness – made to the image and likeness of the creator. The bible is the book of the Spirit – the word spirit means breath. And this breath of God is felt in all its pages. It is a powerful wind carrying us along, shaping events to accomplish its purposes. The prophets of Israel felt its force. They were inspired men – men in whom the breath of God worked.

But it was not until the Old Law moved into the New and Christ appeared that the wind of God received personified expression and became seen as that holy breath, the person of the Holy Spirit. He manifested himself amid the divine storm that swept through the upper room where the first members of the Church were assembled, giving them courage and wisdom to accomplish the task they had been given to do. Today, the Church, as always, is guided by that Spirit and protected from dissolution. It is the task of the Spirit to renew its life throughout the ages. He is the Spirit of holiness whose presence in the Church, the Mystical Body of Christ, makes it “a glorious Church not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing”. He offers himself also to every member of the Church. *No one can belong to Christ unless the Spirit of Christ is within*, wrote St. Paul, and again, writing to the Corinthians: *Surely you know that your bodies are the shrines of the Holy Spirit.*



CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS BACK!

Starting 5th June at 10am during Sunday Mass. We are looking forward to welcoming our young parishioners back to Children's Liturgy during the 10am Sunday Mass. Children will have the opportunity to celebrate and reflect on the Sunday Gospel reading in an age-appropriate way. Children are

led through prayer, songs, craft, and readings that are adapted to their level of understanding. We are fortunate to have some volunteers to lead this work and we would be grateful for any interested parishioners to contact outleycc@bigpond.net.au if they would be keen to assist in this important ministry.



**NEXT PARISH MORNING TEA:
SAVE THE DATE 14TH JUNE 22 at
10.30a.m** Thank you to everyone who participated and volunteered at the Parish morning tea. What a great turnout and due to the outstanding success of the morning tea, we will be holding another one on **Tuesday 14th June at 10.30 a.m. in the Marion Hall (go through the Church).** **Everyone is WELCOME.** Please join us.
Fr. Paul

Sacramental Program for 2022, please visit the Parish website: www.stjosephschurch.com.au and click on the tab *Sacrament Dates 2022* for further information.

Please note that Parish Confirmations this year will be at St. Mary's Cathedral on the *7th of August 2022 at 3.30pm.*

CONFIRMATION: The children of the parish who are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year, have begun their classes and preparation to receive the Sacrament at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, 7th August. Please keep them in your prayers and encourage them to faithfully practice their faith.

Vinnies Winter appeal commencing this weekend **Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th June**. The theme of this year's Winter Appeal is 'MAKE IT STOP', focusing on providing safety to families and individuals fleeing DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. We would appreciate your support and generosity towards this APPEAL. *Oatley Conference for SVDP.*

Church Open: Our church is open each day for weekday Masses and Sunday Masses at 5pm (Saturday Vigil), 8am and 10am, Sundays. We look forward to seeing everyone at Mass.

The Parish now has the facility to stream our Sunday Masses: You can access this on YouTube by following this link: bit.ly/stjoatley OR



PLANNED GIVING: Your contribution to the 2nd collection goes towards the running and upkeep of our parish, and 30% of what you donate is eligible for a tax deduction.

New Contributors: If you wish to become part of our regularly giving programme at St Joseph's Parish Oatley, please fill in the planned giving form, which can be accessed by opening the attached hyperlink <https://www.stjosephschurch.com.au/donations>. Click on the button planned giving program to access and fill out form.

If you wish to donate to the Church Account (Second Collection) please scan the encryption below, with your mobile phone. This automatically directs you to the parish's Bpoint facility. Please follow the links.



Thank you for contributing to St. Joseph's Parish. Fr. Paul

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING: Induction Safeguarding training sessions for **new volunteers will be available via zoom** on the following date- Thursday, 9th June at 9.00am to 10am.

Volunteers who have **already completed the Induction Training need to register for the Refresher Training**. Below I have listed the next available zoom dates for volunteers to register for the **Refresher Training**.

This below training package is for volunteers who have completed the Safeguarding Induction Training a minimum of three years ago.

Date	Time	Location
Monday, 6 June 2022	9.00am – 10.00am	ZOOM
Thursday, 7 July 2022	3.00pm – 4.00pm	ZOOM
Thursday, 1 September 2022	4.00pm – 5.00pm	ZOOM
Tuesday, 4 October 2022	9.00am – 10.00am	ZOOM

Volunteers can simply register for the Induction or Refresher Training by emailing safeguardingtraining@sydneycatholic.org or calling 93905811.

Alternatively, if none of the above refresher dates work for volunteers they can register for the online Refresher e-learning module, which they can complete in their own time. To register they need to follow this link <https://forms.gle/nZWjGCeMBc4Ev5Hd8>

Please email the parish office once you have completed any of the above safeguarding training sessions oatleycc@bigpond.net.au. Thank you.