

St. Joseph's Catholic Church Oatley

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

23 June 2019 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Masses and Prayers: Eugene Thomas (ann.29/6, James Eagles (ann. 30/6,)members of CWL, and those who are sick, including Marcella Hill.

CORPUS CHRISTI: Today's feast is at the very central core of Christianity. Like and electric current the force of Christ's words at a supper which took place twenty centuries ago has penetrated throughout the world. They have been a unifying force bringing people together into a unity of belief and love. This power emanating from what appears to be bread and wine has been the greatest cohesive force in Christianity. It is this Body of Christ offered up on the altars of the world for the last two thousand years that has kept Christianity intact and brought folk of every class and nationality together into an allegiance of worship and a common membership of a kingdom of which Christ is king.

The effect of those few words and actions of Christ at that supper has been truly amazing. Today they take place all over the world. Because of them countless churches, chapels and cathedrals have sprung up, lives have been dedicated to them, and lives laid down for them. All kinds of hardship and acts of heroism have been undergone for them, and because of them millions of lives have been transformed.

Christ's words and actions of long ago have convinced us that he still lives and reigns in our midst. We know that his great act of sacrificial love is still commemorated, not just as an historical event, but as a living force at work among us. Christ did not die intestate. He made his last will and covenant on the night before he died. All humankind was his beneficiaries since he left himself to them in sacramental and sacrificial form to be with them forever. "Jesus, knowing that his last hour had come, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end". This is the Lord's gift to us before he left us. This most precious and abiding gift of his love asks us in return faith in him and his words. ***"He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me and I in him, and I will raise him up on the Last Day."***

Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows at St Mary's Cathedral

If you're celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2019 why not celebrate with the blessing of Archbishop Anthony at St Mary's Cathedral? Families are welcome, and there will be Morning tea with a presentation of certificates to follow Solemn Mass.

Date: Sunday 21 July. Mass begins at 10:30am. If you wish to receive a certificate or be catered for, please contact chris.dasilva@sydneycatholic.org with your names, the church/town where you were married, and the date on which you were married.

St. Bernadette's Parish, Carlton, is again hosting a series of six-monthly talks based on the theme of "Rediscovering Catholicity in 21st Century. The first talk, on ***Sexuality and Morality in the Church***, will be given by Sophie York on Wednesday, 26th June, at St. Bernadette's, 10 Argyle Street, Carlton, from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Sophie is a Lecturer in Public International Law at the University of Notre Dame, and Jurisprudence at the University of Sydney.

St. Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal will commence on the weekend of the 6th and 7th of July. This winter thousands of Australians will be struggling and facing isolation with nowhere to live. Let us help end the pain of poverty and help these people in need. President: Sue Vit, Oatley Conference.

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul. The Holy Father's Appeal (Peter's Pence) will be made over the Masses next weekend. (29th and 30th June). Envelopes are available in the foyer.

Catechist required: As a result of an existing catechist having to immediately step down due to changed work hours, we **urgently** need a new catechist to take a delightful year 4 class at Oatley Public school from 9.50 am -10.20 am on Wednesdays. If you would be interested in joining our friendly and committed team of catechists, please contact Fr Paul (9580 1864) or Mike Cummins (cumminsm@optusnet.com.au or 0413 586870).

Collections and Rosters

1st \$1511		2nd: \$1006		Envelopes \$ 1748	
Money Counters Roster		Sun 25 June Vince & Jenny Elliott			
		Sun 2 July Brian & Marcia Smith			
	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens	
Sat 22 June 5pm	Glenn McLachlan	Audrey & Sandra Green	Ivan G Anthony A	Richard McMillan	
Sun 23 June 8am	George Lazar	George Novak	No Servers	Seb Arena	
Sun 23 June 10am	Danny Clark	Francis D'Silva	Zamrah V Martha K	Lewis DeGabriele	
Sat 29 June 5pm	John Romanous	Melissa Dimeo	Gaia el K Amber L	Brian Smith	
Sun 30 June 8am	Anne Lee	Ainsley Wilson	No Servers	Maria Pak	
Sun 30 June 10am	Joe Shakkal	Gerry Triani	Simon N	David Lee	
Children's Liturgy		Rosary Leader	Altar Society		
Sun 23 June	Joseph Lucero	Marcia Smith	Marcia Smith		
Sun 30 June	Roseanne McGrath	Lewis DeGabriele	Susan Canham Angela Nadile		