

## St. Joseph's Catholic Church Oatley

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| Schedule of Masses |                         | Baptisms           | 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 11.45 (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)       |                    |   |

### 17 November 2019 – 33 Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses and Prayers: Fay Dunphy (rec dec), Graham Kelly (23/11), Bernice O'Connor (ann.23/11), Giuseppe Talarico (ann.22/11), dec members of CWL, those who are sick, and all the Holy Souls prayed for and remembered in November.

**THE END OF HUMAN HISTORY:** In the Gospel Christ give us a picture of the end of the world in terms of the destruction of Jerusalem. It is a dark and harrowing picture. There have been many guesses as to when this time will be. People belonging to strange sects have climbed hill-tops to await its coming in their conviction that the hour had come, swayed by some end-of-the-world prophecy of a false seer or fanatic. But Christ has told us "But as for that day or hour nobody knows it, neither the angels in Heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father".

Coincidental with the end of things will be the universal judgment of mankind. When Christ appeared before Caiaphas to be judged and condemned, the High Priest said to him "I adjure you by the living God that you tell us if you be the Christ, the Son of God", and Jesus answered "you have said it. Nevertheless, I say to you hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the power of God and coming in the clouds of heaven". Amid all the dark ruins of the world will shine forth the majesty and greatness of him to whom "All power is given in heaven and on earth". At that hour Christ's triumph will be complete. He who went through the darkness and pain of Calvary to a glorious resurrection will manifest his victory over evil. Just as from the ruins of the temple and Jerusalem, a new temple "not made with hands" and a glorious new Jerusalem would arise, so out of the world's end would come a far finer existence.

On that last day the whole story of the incarnation with its wonderful proof of God's love will be seen against the background of human activities and the part that Christ played in the human scheme of things will stand out clear. Thus judgment day will not be all gloom and terror. There will be grandeur and splendour as God's plan for the world will be unfolded, and men and women will see the revelation of his love.

Father Paul warmly invites you and your Family on Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> December at 2pm to join us for the **Blessing and Children decorating the Christmas Tree**. Afterwards please join us in the Marian hall for afternoon tea. There will be a raffle, lucky door prizes etc. For catering purposes please put your names down with number of people attending on the sheet provided in the foyer. Please also for dietary requirements. Sue Vit President SVDP Oatley

**November is the month of the Holy Souls:** I will offer all my Masses during November for the repose of the souls of all your deceased relatives and friends. Fr. Paul.

**GIVING TREE:** We will be supporting our Farmers this Christmas with Vouchers which can be IGA, WOOLWORTHS and COLES, Christmas food items and unwrapped toys for children 3-16yrs. Please take a tag from our Christmas Tree and place your return in the basket no later than Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> November. If you are giving Vouchers could you please put them on the plate at the MASSES marked FARMERS. We have been very fortunate and appreciative to have a Parishioner and his Friends to drive to Dubbo for us and take these items with also the support of St Joseph's School. We would appreciate if chocolates were not given because of the heat and the travelling time to Dubbo. Sue President SVDP Oatley.

#### First Reconciliation Program for 2019

Prep Class 4 – Sunday 24 November 8.45am – 9.45am.

Sacramental Liturgy – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 7.00pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November from 9.30am to 11.30am (half hourly)

#### JOIN IN THE EXPERIENCE OF A TWILIGHT RETREAT

As we continue our journey to the first Plenary Council in October 2020, you are invited to share in a formation experience hosted by Peakhurst Parish. We are delighted to announce that Patricia Thomas, an experienced facilitator will lead the retreat. This is a wonderful opportunity to share in nurturing your faith and spirituality with Catholics from local and surrounding parishes. **Where: Our Lady of Fatima, 825 Forest Road, Peakhurst; Sunday 24 November 2019; Time: 2.30 – 5.30pm followed by 6pm youth Mass PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST AND ATTENDANCE:**

[plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:plenarycouncil@sydneycatholic.org) or contact Barbara Perry 0438 012 964

#### Collections and Rosters.

| 1st \$809                 |                        | 2nd: \$378            |                                       | Envelopes \$1346     |  |
|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Money Counters Roster     | Sun 19 Nov             | George & Kathy Novak  |                                       |                      |  |
|                           | Sun 26 Nov             | Vince & Jenny Elliott |                                       |                      |  |
| Masses                    | Acolytes and Ministers | Lectors               | Altar Servers                         | Mass Wardens         |  |
| Sat 16 Nov 5pm            | Danny Clark            | Brian & Marcia Smith  | TBC                                   | Brian Smith          |  |
| Sun 17 Nov 8am            | George Lazar           | Damian Callinan       | No Servers                            | Seb Arena            |  |
| Sun 17 Nov 10am           | John Romanous          | Joseph Lucero         | TBC                                   | George Battikha      |  |
| Sat 23 Nov 5pm            | Vince Elliott          | Ana Simurina          | TBC                                   | John Perkins         |  |
| Sun 24 Nov 8am            | Anne Lee               | Sandra Soldo          | No Servers                            | Mario Cuenca         |  |
| Sun 24 Nov 10am           | Danny Clark            | Jelena Suto           | TBC                                   | Lewis DeGabriele     |  |
| <b>Children's Liturgy</b> |                        | <b>Rosary Leader</b>  |                                       | <b>Altar Society</b> |  |
| Sun 17 Nov                | Natalia Greguric       | Marcia Smith          | Margaret Rayment ,<br>Kath Richardson |                      |  |
| Sun 24 Nov                | No Liturgy             | Lewis DeGabriele      | Marcia Smith                          |                      |  |