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:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 11 am and

Mass at 12 md

**Public Holidays:** 9 am only

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

27th June 2021 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**FAITH HEALING:** *Who touched my garments?* Asked Christ. It must have seemed a strange question to his disciples since plenty of people were crowding round him and brushing his garments. But Our Lord had a particular touch of faith in mind. This was a touch that drew power out of him and brought about healing. The Gospel gives the impression that for a moment, Jesus was somehow drained of energy. Certainly, it was a demonstration of the immense power of faith. So powerful indeed is it that it raises people from the grave. He touched a little dead child, took her by the hand and once again power is released from him because of the faith of the child’s father. On a former occasion we are told that he could not work many miracles in his hometown of Nazareth because of the lack of faith of the people there. Faith creates an opening for the power of God to enter. It is the open sesame to death’s door. Our Lord said: *Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes in him who sent me, has eternal life.* Thus, faith contains the power of resurrection. It resurrected to new life the daughter of Jairus, a sign that it will raise all of us who believe in Christ from death to eternal life. Faith thus transforms what was ugly and corrupting into a beauty and a glory beyond imagining.

 There are those, who, like the people in the room of the dead child, laugh at Christ’s words and refuse to believe them. They refuse to accept that our life here compared with the future is only like a sleep from which one day we will be wakened by the touch of Christ to enjoy eternal bliss. For them this is only an old wife’s tale. Death, they think, is a dead end. The only life is the one they enjoy here and now. We must be like Peter, James and John who stayed to witness the power of Christ and increased their love and faith in him because of it.

**Masses for the Deceased:** Brian Rayment, Peter Rayment, Walter Ryan,recently deceased. Josie Murphy, Millie Saunders, Kathleen O’Brien, James Eagles, anniversaries.

**The Parish now has the facility to stream our Sunday Masses:** You can access this on YouTube by following this link:

 [bit.ly/stjoatley](http://bit.ly/stjoatley) or

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**You can also access it by going to the Archdiocese of Sydney website where there is a list of Churches who stream their Masses each week. Just click on the link for St. Joseph’s Parish, Oatley.**

**Sacramental Program for 2021:** Please visit the Parish website: [www.stjosephschurch.com.au](http://www.stjosephschurch.com.au)

**Imposition of restrictions concerning Churches**: From Friday, 12th February, an unlimited number of people can attend Mass, provided that the one person per 2 metre square rule is observed. However, our Church will only hold at least eighty according to this regulation, any overflow would have to be accommodated in the Marion Hall where the Mass can be viewed on the TV monitor. Because of the easing of the restrictions, the Archbishop has lifted the dispensation from our Sunday Mass obligation. ***Parishioners are once again obliged******to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation when this is reasonably*** ***possible.*** Those of great age, have health conditions or are otherwise anxious about the risks of Covid19 are free to remain at home and find another way of keeping the Sabbath holy.

There is still the requirement of taking names and contact details of attendees. The use of a QR code is recommended for those with iPhones or smart phones. The NSW Services app would need to be install on your phone to access the code. The first time you use the code, it will ask you to provide your name and contact number. It will then send you a code to enter with your details and the app will then be active. It is then used every time you attend Mass, or when and where you visit other venues that have a QR code registration system in place.

 The wearing of masks is no longer mandatory, but strongly recommended where social distancing is not possible.

Parishioners who elect to attend Mass during the pandemic should consider the safety of other parishioners by staying away if they are unwell, and if so, getting tested and self-isolating while awaiting the results. It is also advisable that parishioners only attend Mass in their own parish and not move from parish to parish.

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



 ***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.***

**Envelope Contributors:** Please pick up your packs today which are to commence on the 3rd/4th July. **New Contributors:** Please fill in the planned giving form, which can be accessed on the website under DONATIONS, if you wish to become part of our regularly giving programme at St Joseph’s Parish Oatley. **Otherwise, you may obtain the form from the church foyer or contact the parish office for the application.**

Please put your completed form in the second collection, otherwise email it to oatleycc@bigpond.net.au or drop it in to the Parish Office. Alternatively, you can post it to:

St Joseph’s Parish, 21C Frederick St, Oatley NSW 2223.

If you wish to donate to the Church Account (Second Collection) there is a Bpoint facility on this website under “Donations” on the menu. Please follow the links. If you do not wish to make an internet or online payment, please email the Office oatleycc@bigpond.net.au or contact 9580 1864.

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***TAX RECEIPTS for 2020-2021 will be available in August.*** Please fill in your details on the form provided in the Church foyer entrance or email oatleycc@bigpond.com if you wish to receive a tax receipt. Your receipts will be emailed to you if you provide your email address or available in the church foyer the following week if no email address is noted on the form. Once again, we would like to thank all who have kindly contributed to our parish at St Joseph’s Oatley.

***Thank you for contributing to St. Joseph’s Parish. I am very appreciative of your ongoing generosity and commitment to support our Parish in achieving its Pastoral Mission and meeting ongoing expenses. Fr. Paul.***

**27th June 2021 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**THE INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**Entrance Procession**

***All peoples, clap your hands.***

***Cry to God with shouts of joy!***

**Penitential Act**

I confess to almighty God

and to you, my brothers and sisters,

that I have greatly sinned,

in my thoughts and in my words,

in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

through my fault, through my fault,

through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,

all the Angels and Saints,

and you, my brothers and sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Lord, have mercy.  **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

**Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,

we bless you,

we adore you,

we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

**Collect**

Let us pray.

O God, who through the grace of adoption

chose us to be children of light,

grant, we pray,

that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error

but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD** (Refer to your Sunday Missal or Liturgy Sheet)

**PROFESSION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed)**

I believe in one God,

the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the Only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day

in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**GENERAL INTERCESSIONS FOR THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME.**

 ***My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray to God in whose image we are made, and who delights in the wholeness of all creation.***

1. That in the face of death and evil, Christians may not fear but believe in the power and presence of Christ. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
2. That our communities may be fitting places for the building of God’s Kingdom by our respect, love and concern for one another. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
3. That world leaders may work to achieve a balance in which nations with an abundance assist those that are in need. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
4. That those suffering chronic illness or long-term disability may persevere in their struggle for wellness, and in their faith in Christ. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
5. That those whose lives are dedicated to the care of sick children may know that Jesus, the Divine Physician, goes with them in their labour. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
6. That those who grieve over the loss of loved ones or who have suffer the death of a child may be strengthened by the support of caring friends and the love of Christ. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
7. That God who created us for incorruption may give the righteous who have died immortal life. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
8. That the prayers and intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Help of Christians, will sustain us in our journey through this vale of tears. **HAIL MARY.**

 ***Heavenly Father, listen to the prayers we have made with sincere hearts. Help us to grow in holiness as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of your Kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN.***

**Pope Francis Prayer for protection from Coronavirus**

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you. Health of the sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus’ pain, with steadfast faith. You, our Salvation, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father’s will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the Joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

**Our Spiritual Communion**

***My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.***

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be *etc.*

**Communion Antiphon**

***Bless the Lord, O my soul,***

***and all within me, his holy name.***

**Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received

fill us with life, O Lord, we pray,

so that, bound to you in lasting charity,

we may bear fruit that lasts for ever.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**BLESSING**

May the Lord bless us and keep us

May he let his face shine upon us

and show us his mercy.

May he turn his countenance towards us

and give us his peace.

And may Almighty God bless us all, in the name of the Father, and of Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***Let us praise the Lord and glorify him in our lives.*** Thanks be to God.