

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

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.

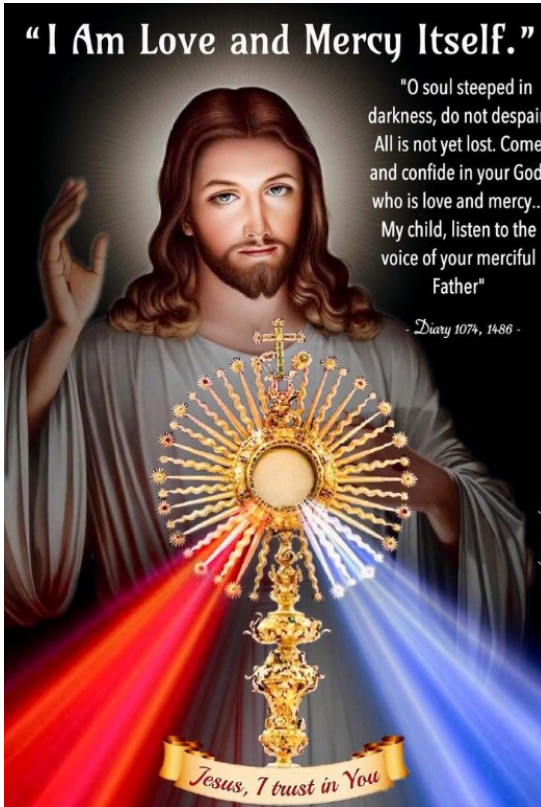
11th June 2023 – The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Masses for the Deceased: Norma Lonergan, Catherine Dixon, Beth Macauley, recently deceased; Peter Gerard Rayment, Bruna Pollachini, Catherine Fowler, Linda Taylor, Carol Tighe, anniversaries, for the intentions for Mir Family and for the repose of the souls of Sadie and Samuel Mir (Snr), George and Therese Mir, Norman Mir and all the deceased Family members.

Masses for Special Intentions: Maria Ampudia (80th birthday), Chris Papac (60th birthday).

King's Birthday Public Holiday: This Monday, 12th June. Mass will be at 9 am only.

FAITH IN THE EUCHARIST: It is difficult to realise what is comprised in the little white consecrated disc we call the host. For many it is nothing but a piece of unleavened bread, but for believers it signifies the meaning of existence and even existence itself. When the priest holds it in his hands there is a real sense in which he can say “the whole world is in my hands”. There would be no world without the Christ of the Eucharist. St. Paul says: *In him all things have their origin, their impulse, the centre of their being.* He is *the immortal king of ages* who has *put all things under his feet.* Those who have faith see the host as crucifixion and resurrection. Life and death. Here is a power which imparts immortality. The Corpus Christi (Body of Christ) looks so small to human eyes. Its sacramental presence is beyond comprehension. We The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) know that Christ is not confined to the limits of the host nor any space and time. The only body of Christ is given to millions across the world as it has been given to millions in the past *because there is one bread, we who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.* Our faith then sees beyond the whiteness to a Christ who lived and walked in Palestine, who suffered and died and who rose again in glory. It is this Christ in glory whom the priest brings to true believers. It is a Christ who prayed that all might be



one in him. There are countless number of hosts to human eyes but only one bread, that living bread who came down from Heaven. All then who received these many hosts are receiving the same body and are therefore united together in that body. They become members of the Corpus Christi, of that Mystical Body which came into its fullness when Our Lord rose from the dead. In this way they share the life and death and resurrection of Christ and will one day share his glory in Heaven *when Christ, your life, shall appear*, wrote St. Paul, *then you too will appear with him in glory.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION- On **Sunday June 18th at the 10am** Mass Candidates will be making their First Holy Communion. The front of the Church will be reserved for the Candidates, parishioners are asked to sit in the back half of the Church for this Mass. Parking will also be very busy for this Mass so allow extra time. We will also be holding a Candidates only Mass at 1pm. ***Please keep all our Candidates in your prayers.***

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





MORNING TEA INVITATION-
Please join us at our next Parish Morning Tea on **Tuesday the 27th of June, at 10.30 am** in the Marion Hall. All are welcome to come and meet other parishioners in an informal and social gathering.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: We are looking forward to our young parishioners joining in the Children's Liturgy group on **Sunday's during the 10am Mass**. We are very fortunate to have some volunteers to lead this work where the Children are led through prayer, songs, craft, and readings. Please encourage your children to join the group.

Thank you to all who have kindly contributed to our parish. If you wish to support your Parish, St Joseph's Oatley, please pick up a copy of the application form in the Church Foyer and become one of our regular givers. Alternatively, you may wish to go to our website www.stjosephschurch.com.au for a copy, or if you are online click on the tab below.

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