



ST. PAUL'S
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Dear Parishioners at Camden and The Oaks

21ST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME ~ 20TH/21ST AUGUST 2022

Pastoral Insight into Vocations, especially Motherhood

From Father Ron Rolheiser OMI

Certain vocations, e.g., raising children, offer a perfect setting for living a contemplative life. They provide a desert for reflection, a real monastery.

The mother who stays home with small children experiences a very real withdrawal from the world.

Her existence is certainly monastic. Her tasks and preoccupations remove her from the centres of social life and from the centres of important power. She feels removed.

Moreover, her constant contact with young children, the mildest of the mild, gives her a privileged opportunity to be in harmony with the mild and learn empathy and unselfishness.

Perhaps more so even than the monk or the minister of the Gospel, she is forced, almost against her will, to mature. For years, while she is raising small children, her time is not her own, her own needs have to be put into second place, and every time she turns around some hand is reaching out demanding something."

St Vincent de Paul Information Evening ~ 30 August 2022

Our members of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society will be holding an information evening at 7.00pm on Tuesday 30 August in the Camden meeting room. The evening should only last about one hour and an invitation is extended to all those who wish to know more about how the society operates and what its members do. This is also an opportunity for anyone who may hold the desire to be involved to find out more and possibly join our dedicated team.

Men's Cursillo 3-Day Weekend ~ 24th to 27 November

Men's Cursillo 3-day weekend. Men from our Diocese are invited to join with Men from the Canberra / Goulburn Diocese to live a 3-day weekend. Take time for yourself to share your life journey with others. This life enriching weekend consists of talks, discussion, daily Mass, and Spiritual growth. The weekend runs from Thursday Evening 24th till Sunday 27th November and will be held at Greenhills Centre, Strombo. ACT. For further information, call Lester Smith on 0415 562 808. Transport from Campbelltown available if needed.

With sincere Thanks ~ Michelle Roffe Funeral Services



The beautiful new floral arrangements that are now on the altar pillars, have attracted lots of praise over the past week. Apart from commenting on how wonderful they look many parishioners have been amazed when they learn that the flowers are actually made from silk. Our most sincere thanks are offered to Michelle, Lauchlan and all at Michelle Roffe Funerals who chose, ordered and delivered the bowls to us.

St Paul's School Fete ~ 3 September 2022

After being cancelled due to Covid for the past two years, St Paul's School Parents & Friends Association are pleased to announce the return of our school fete 9.00am to 4.00pm on Saturday 3 September. All the activities we have had in the past – food, rides, and various stalls – are back, as well as pony rides and a petting zoo. Unlimited rides passes are available for sale. For all information, please see <https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsFete>.

Weekly Regional Youth Groups ~ Wollongong and Campbelltown

LIVE LOCAL Catholic Youth Ministry Wollongong (CYMW) has commenced two Regional Youth Groups. One for the Macarthur and one for the Illawarra. LIVE Local is a Regional Youth Group run by the NET Team and other young people who are excellent at engaging with youth at whatever stage of faith. In the Illawarra region, it runs every Friday night in the school term from 7 – 9pm, at St Therese West Wollongong school hall. The Macarthur based Regional Youth Group – LIVE Local, held on Sunday Evenings from March 20, at St John's Campbelltown from 6.15-8.15pm.

Funerals in the Parish Church at Camden

Friday 26 August

Winifred Bond

2:00 PM

Wednesday 31 August

James 'Jim' Vella

10:30 AM

Sunday 21st August ~ 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 20th August

Camden	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Belinda and Tasha
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father Rick	Jo

Sunday 21st August

The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father Rick	Nicole
Camden	8:00 AM	Father Victor	Maria C & Cheryl
Camden	10:00 AM	Father Victor	Choir
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Craig

21 st Aug	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	Mark Coleman					
Sat Vigil 5.00pm	Ray Cusack	Brian Jenkins	Wal Glynn	Russell O'Brien	Angelina Vecchio	Valentina V
Sun 8.00am	Enzeigh Thomas	Leonie Gray	Glenn Crawford	Kathryn Hampton	Lisa McFadzean	Cheryl/ Kathryn
Sun 10.00am	James McFarlane	Nada Simich	Michael Reardon	Kylie Crnek- Georgeson	Michael Reardon	Brad M
Sun 5.00pm	Mark Coleman	Judith Madsen	Brian Jenkins	Dianne Garland	Simon Abernethy	Craig

Sunday 28th August ~ 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 27th August

Camden	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Maria and Sarah
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father Rick	Jo

Sunday 28th August

The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father Rick	Nicole
Camden	8:00 AM	Father Victor	Choir
Camden	10:00 AM	Father Victor	Trent, Damian and Betty
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Craig

For our Faithful Departed: James (Jim) Vella, Florence Devine, Neill Chapman, Denise Grissell, *who died recently.* Julie Jenkins, Giovanni Bergamin, Vincent Grech, Louis Gauci, Patrick (Bill) O'Reilly, Lydia Perinich, Braz Goes, John Lock, *whose anniversaries are remembered at this time.* Cath Bourke, Mary, Nathan Giles, Therese Carroll. *RIP.*

We Pray for those who are unwell: Maria Irwin, Syd Hyett, Trish Hyett, Brian Ovington, Norman Richardson, John and Ilona Somoracz.