



ST. PAUL'S  
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CAMDEN

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CATHOLIC PARISH  
THE OAKS

ST CLARE'S  
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NARELLAN

ST JOSEPH  
THE WORKER  
CATHOLIC  
COMMUNITY  
OAKDALE

## Dear Parishioners at Camden and The Oaks

### In Case You Missed It

In last week's edition of the Catholic Weekly (page 2), there was a commentary about a new approach to chaplaincy at Notre Dame Catholic University.

Four words were used to describe this new approach: Commitment, Prayer, Mentoring and Mission.

Under this chaplaincy, a new programme has been introduced, entitled: *In Altum*, ("into the deep"). One of the university students, Ms Molly Hayes, remarked that before the *In Altum*, she attended Mass regularly but now prays daily and enjoys spiritual reading.

"The habits we got from *In Altum* have been so transferable for me. Prayer especially". She said: "I made a commitment to prayer, and I've kept that commitment now."

The programme coordinator said: "You have to be responsible before God! Ultimately this is a programme around mission, and there's no mission without prayer".

*And back in Camden and The Oaks....*

Hopefully, and with the grace of God, our First Holy Communicants will through our own programme of preparation develop a stronger knowledge of, and familiarity with prayer. This development depends heavily upon the *commitment* and *mentoring* of parents and carers. Please pray with your children.

### Local Floods

If any of our parishioners are aware of other parishioners who have been affected by the floods, please make contact with Father Michael at your earliest convenience. Good idea to ring the parish office and leave your own contact details. As a parish, we try to express concern and practical support. Thanks

### The Oaks ~ Meeting 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022

An interesting evening in which valuable discussion transpired. 'Was a bit heated and fractious at times. A summary will be provided for parishioners after Masses on the weekend of 8/9 October.

### Mass of Anointing ~ Tuesday 4 October 2022

This coming Tuesday of the month at 9:00 AM Mass, there will be a Mass of Anointing followed by a cup of tea. All who are genuinely unwell are most encouraged to attend Mass for the reception of this healing sacrament along with the reception of Holy Communion. Occasion of grace!

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## **Mass for Loss of Pregnancies, Infants and Children ~ 10:00 AM, 8 October**

Please consider having a presence at this Mass as a personal and communal way of supporting families who have experienced such deep loss. Our presence at such a time, and in the setting of Holy Mass, is a gentle expression of love and compassion to those who bear the sorrow.

## **St Clare's New Church ~ Reminder**

Meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday 5 October at 7:00 PM in St Clare's meeting room at Narellan Vale. All our parishioners are invited but please advise the parish office in advance. Meeting scheduled for an hour and to be followed by refreshments.

## **Pastoral Visitation**

Many thanks to about half a dozen parishioners who have expressed a willingness to assist with Holy Communion to those who are now in aged care or without the mobility to attend Mass. Our parishes are very much a mix of the young and the old, along with a huge number of middle-aged adults.

We try to remain especially mindful of the needs of our parishioners, especially those who have reached a venerable old age. May they be always cherished and loved.

Please advise the parish office if interested, even if having already spoken to the priests.

## **First Holy Communion Programme**

Back to business next weekend with the distribution of the works books at all of the Sunday Masses, including Saturday evening Vigils at Oakdale and Camden. Books will all be personalised with the name of each candidate, so if you're planning on attending at The Oaks or Oakdale, please advise the Camden parish office by close of business Thursday. Families are asked to embrace commitment, motivation and sacrifice.

The theme of the programme: "The bigger the sacrifice, the better the preparation."

Thanks, in anticipation.

## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October ~ 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 1<sup>st</sup> October

Camden	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Belinda and Sarah
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Jo

### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father Michael	Nicole
Camden	8:00 AM	Father Victor	Steve, Damian and Betty
Camden	10:00 AM	Father Victor	Choir
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Jenny and Tasha

2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	Enzeigh Thomas					
Sat Vigil 5.00pm	Ray Cusack	Stephen Barrett	Diane Kennaugh	Chris Keun	Wal Glynn	Valentina V
Sun 8.00am	John Charadia	Cheryl Carroll	Glenn Crawford	Maryann Ace	Lucy Aquilina	Cheryl/ Kathryn
Sun 10.00am	James McFarland	Helen Lanyon	Joseph Hanson	Kylie Crnek- Georgeson	Michael Reardon	Brad M
Sun 5.00pm	John Marchand	Meaghan Marchand	Maria Kosiak	Simon Abernethy	Jacinta Abernethy	Eugene K

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October ~ 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 8<sup>th</sup> October

Camden	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Maria and Rachael
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Jo

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October

The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father Victor	Nicole
Camden	8:00 AM	Father Michael	Choir
Camden	10:00 AM	Father Michael	Eva and Darko
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Tony Lo Cascio

*For our Faithful Departed:* Alice Barrett, Terence Heron, Nichole Knox, Anton Joseph, John Du Verge, *who died recently.* Michael Busby, Dolores Morgan, Barry Myles, Michael Antalffy, Julie Jenkins, *whose anniversaries are remembered at this time.* Annie Giles, Joan Stanfield, Louis Gauci, Cath Bourke, Mary, Nathan Giles, Therese Carroll. *RIP.*

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

**Kind Regards**

**Father Michael**