

ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC PARISH CAMDEN

ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC PARISH THE OAKS

> ST CLARE'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NARELLAN

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OAKDALE

Dear Parishioners at The Oaks and Camden

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B ~ 6 October 2024

Monday 7th October

Our Lady of the Rosary

"Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us"

According to Catholic Tradition the Holy Rosary was instituted by the Virgin Mary herself.

"Never will anyone who says the Rosary every day be led astray"

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

There are no commitments this weekend at Mass for our First Holy Communion candidates and their families, although attendance at Mass is always encouraged.

Some children still have not completed their First Holy Communion Prayer Assessment. Although children were assessed for the Penance programme, they are required to be tested again. Appointments can be made by contacting the Parish Office during normal hours.

Pregnancy, Infant and Child Loss Mass ~ Saturday 5 October ~ 9.00am

This Saturday morning the normal 9.00am Mass at Saint Paul's is the annual Pregnancy, Infant and Child Loss Mass. The Mass remembers babies and children who have either died, before birth, at birth or soon after birth. Father Michael is the celebrant. Grief at the loss of a baby or child is always felt and this Mass offers the opportunity for families who still grieve to come together and hear the words of healing again. Morning tea is offered in the meeting room after Mass.

The Mass and morning tea are sponsored by Kenneally Funerals, Catholic Cemeteries and Crematorium and GriefCare. Everyone is most welcome to come along to both the Mass and morning tea.

St Joseph the Worker Oakdale ~ Rosary

This Saturday evening, the first of the month, the Rosary will be said in the church at Oakdale after the Vigil Mass. Everyone is very welcome to stay and to be a part of these beautiful prayers and to enjoy the company of other parishioners.

St Aloysius The Oaks Morning Tea

This Sunday, The Oaks will be holding the monthly morning tea after 9.00am Mass. If you enjoy a little conversation and community after Mass, please bring along a plate and enjoy the company and celebration.

Anointing of the Sick

Parishioners are reminded that the monthly Healing Mass will be celebrated this coming Tuesday at 9.00am. Fr Michael and Fr James will concelebrate. Anyone suffering illness and wanting additional blessings are encouraged to come along. A cup of tea and possibly a custard tart are offered in the meeting room after Mass and the short time shared with fellow parishioners is always very enjoyable.

Opportunity to Learn More About the Mass ~ Workshops

Father James will be holding a series of weekly Workshops that will be taking us deeper into our faith. The Workshops are a video series by Bishop Robert Barron it is called "The Mass". The Workshops will be each Thursday evening in the Heritage Hall at 7.00pm to 8.00pm, commencing next Thursday 10 October and going through to 14 November. Registration is by calling the Parish Office during normal hours on 4655 8797 or by scanning the QR code. Whether you would like to be more confident in explaining the Mass to your children or wanting to understand how and why we do what we do during the celebration of Mass this course will be ideal for you.



Annuals Now Available

"God's Word" 2025

Parishioners wanting to purchase the 2025 edition of "God's Word" can do so from this weekend. The cost this year is \$13.00 which is the charge to the Parish. The books will be in a box on the altar where they can be collected before or after Mass. Payment can be left in the container that is with the books.

"The Light" Advent booklet

The daily reflections for the 2024 Advent and Christmas period are also available for purchase from this weekend. As with "God's Word" they will be in a box on the Altar. The cost for "The Light" is \$2.50 and payment can be left in the container that is with the booklets.

Columban Art Calendars for 2025

The Piety Store has the 2025 Columban calendar for sale. The cost is \$10 and as always the case, the artwork on the calendars is truly inspiring.

The numbers of the "God's Word", "The Light" and the "Columban calendars" are limited, to avoid disappointment early purchase is recommended.

The Oaks ~ Silent Auction 26 October 2024 ~ 9:00 AM to 12 Noon.

Work for the relocation of the parish office continues. And the presbytery – which still contains the parish office – is being emptied, cleaned and repaired where necessary.

Most of the furniture that has been removed and is now in the hall at The Oaks. The hall is, understandably, a little congested.

A silent auction has been scheduled for **Saturday 26 October from 9:00 AM to 12 midday**. The hope is to recover a few dollars from the removal process and to return the hall to its usual arrangement of a few tables and plenty of chairs.

The auction includes a mixture of antique and modern furnishings. It's impossible to assess the level of interest. But all our parishioners from The Oaks and Camden are invited to inspect. Parishioners are also most welcome to invite their own family and friends.

October Men's Group Meeting

Last Wednesday evening 22 of our parishioners met for the October Men's Group meeting. After prayer and reflection, the featured topic of "Testimonials" led to lively discussion. Great fraternity was shared by the 14 attendees who later adjourned to the Plough and Harrow. The next meeting will be Wednesday 6 November, if wanting to come and join the group save the date, you will be most welcome.

Save the Date ~ Saturday 30 November

The annual Parish Advent Event is planned for the first Saturday in Advent - 30 November. The dinner will be held in the Heritage Hall commencing at 6.00pm at the conclusion of the 5.00pm Mass. The tickets will be limited to 90, they will be highly desired, so save the date to your diary, perhaps think about joining with fellow parishioners to make up a table. The meal is a sumptuous two courses, with tea, coffee and beverages there will be lively topics for discussion and there is no better way to lead into the busy Christmas period than to be part of this event.

Diocesan News

Growing Good Men ~ Father and Teenage Son Weekend

Friday 25th to Sunday 27 October

One of the most important influences in the lives of men is the relationship they had with their father or significant father figure. This experience is usually very positive and a key component as to how teenagers and young men view themselves and embrace the faith.

So do not miss this life-changing father and son weekend. Places are limited to 25 fathers and their sons aged between 12 and 17. Register online https://dow.sh/ggm24.

More Diocesan News

Every week, there are many great opportunities to be part of special events, courses, free resources and to nurture and encourage you and your family in your faith. A simple way to stay informed and connected is to invite the faithful to

https://dow.sh/stayingconnected or

visit https://dow.sh/weeklybulletin to see a full list of notices sent to parishes weekly.

Saturday/Sunday 5th/6th October ~ 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Saturday		Celebrant	Musician/Vocalists
Camden	5:00 PM	Father James	Belinda & Sarah
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Jo
Sundays			
The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father Michael	Nicole
Camden	8:00 AM	Father James	Steve & Cheryl
Camden	10:00 AM	Father James	Choir
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Jody & Tasha

6 th Oct	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat	John					
9.00am	Roberts					
Sat Vigil	John		Sandra	Diane Kennaugh,	Russell O'Brien,	
5.00pm	Roberts	Pat O'Flynn	Skarsky	Chris Keun	Angelina Vecchio	Kerry
Oakdale	Chris					
Vigil 5pm	Billett	Suzie				
Sun	John	Warren	Kimberley	Maryann Ace,	Cheryl Carroll,	
8.00am	Charadia	Johnson	Logue	Lucy Aquilina	Glenn Crawford	Cheryl
The Oaks		Nicole				
9.00am		Comerford				
Sun	Peter		Leonie	Kylie Crnek-		
10.00am	Grizelj	Maria Caridi	Gray	Georgeson	Maria Debrincat	Brad
Sun	John	Meaghan	Maria	Jacinta and	Therese Easter,	
5.00pm	Marchand	Marchand	Kosiak	Simon Abernethy	Dianne Garland	Eugene

Saturday/Sunday 12th/13th October ~ 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Saturday		Celebrant	Musician/Vocalists
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Maria B & Maria C
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father James	Jo
Sundays			
The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father James Father Michael Father Michael Father James	Nicole
Camden	8:00 AM		Choir
Camden	10:00 AM		Eva & Darko
Camden	5:00 PM		Tony

For our Faithful Departed: Aida Succar Younes, Peter Kiley, Donna Camilleri, Ann Simington, Maryanne Bonfiglio, Peter Plummer, Rocco Ventra, Elaine Williams, Marie-Jose Guernier, who died recently. Matthew Walsh, Michael Busby, Delores Morgan, Peter Garofalo, Geoff O'Brien, Rosemary Corso, Mary Thurn, George Thurn, Frances Rouse, Maureen Ovington, Peter Cox, whose anniversaries are remembered at this time. Thurn family, Dunn family, Sutton family, Cath Bourke, George Apap, Apap family, Joyce family, Barry Myles, Nathan Giles, Therese Carroll, Requiescat in Pace.

We Pray for those who are unwell: John Dogan, Pauline Cepak, Joseph Camilleri, Peter Williams, Abbey Kohler, Brian Ovington, Wal Glynn, Bernardine Hagan, Les Lugowski, Alexia Nawaling, Margaret Roach, Anne Hyeronimus, Dianne Koens, Myra Dozzi, Anne Lonsdale, Robyn Shearer, Betty Thomas, Betty Aquilina, Olivia Toole, Sue Johnson, Nancy Calarco, Norman Richardson, John and Ilona Somoracz.