



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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B ~ 10 November 2024

Monday 11th November

Saint Martin of Tours ~ Bishop

Saint Martin was a humble, gentle man who helped those most in need. He is quoted as saying "Lord if your people need me, I will not refuse the work. Your will be done"

Advent Event ~ Saturday Evening 30 November

This wonderful evening of discussion, food and fraternity is rapidly approaching. So what's involved:

- We gather for the 5:00 PM Vigil Mass which is the first Mass of the Church's new year.
- After Mass, there is movement from the church to the Heritage Hall for complimentary pre-dinner beverages.
- All people have been assigned to a table, so there's no one left in an awkward situation.
- All will be greeted by the MC and advise of the proceedings for the evening.
- Two discussion topics will be presented to the tables.
- About 6:30 PM or soon enough afterwards the buffet meal will be served, with the MC advising of an orderly manner in which our parishioners come to collect the food.
- After all have returned to their tables with main meal, the MC will call upon a table spokesperson to report upon the first discussion topic.
- Afterwards, our parishioners then move in an orderly way to collect deserts.
- And then after all the deserts have been collected, the spokespersons report upon the second topic.

Across the evening, all in attendance are welcome to recharge their glasses. There'll be plenty of beer, wine and soft drinks available. Don't like to be caught short. There will NOT be a repeat of what happened at Cana in Galilee.

Almost 70 tickets have been purchased. The maximum number is 90. And it's great news that our teachers from St Paul's and St Clare's have both booked a table.

All are invited and another very enjoyable evening is assured. Bookings just \$20 each. Please register with the parish office.

The formalities conclude about 8:00 PM allowing parishioners an early evening if preferred. Generally, last drinks are served about 8:30 PM. The clergy still have to be at Mass the following morning.

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Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Completed and marked workshop books will be returned this weekend. The books will be laid out in the chapel on tables in alphabetical order. Books that have been marked as satisfactory will have a Parish stamp on the inside front cover. Some books could have a tab indicating that the answers are either insufficient or incorrect and the candidates are asked to revisit those pages. Books that are stamped but have a tab need not be returned a second time.

St Clare's Fair ~ Saturday 9th November

All our parishioners are invited to support the St Clare's Fair. There's a huge number of attractions for entertainment & amusement, as well as many items for sale at very agreeable prices, especially within the section for fresh produce.

And for those who enjoy a little excitement, there's lots of rides to which the children – and perhaps a few adults – will most certainly gravitate. Lots of music, colour and movement. And the customary sausage sizzle with onions, sauce and mustard is certain to be another family favourite. Wonderful, tasty belly filler.

So please feel welcomed and encouraged to call in for an hour or two. The fair runs from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. All welcome.

November Mass Counts

Parishioners may have noticed volunteers counting the number of attendees at each of last weekend's Masses. This is the annual diocese Mass count and will occur over each of the next three weekends. Thanks are extended to those who assisted with last weekend's counting.

Sunday Evening Mass 24th November ~ 4:00 PM

Reminder to all our parishioners that because of First Holy Communion, on Sunday 24 November the Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 PM. All our regular parishioners are invited to still come along as there's plenty of spare pews that won't be required for our first communicants and their families.

The extra time for FHC will only be about 15 minutes so that shouldn't cause too much inconvenience. And our personal presence is a wonderful way of offering support to all our families in the program.

Early Notice of the Sacrament of Penance Programme 2024/2025

Over the first weekend of Advent, 30 November/1 December names will be taken of children who are currently in year 2 or higher and who will be in year 3 or higher in 2025, who have been baptised and wish to enrol for the Penance Programme of 2024 – 2025. As with all our Sacramental programmes the taking of names and distribution of required forms takes place after each of the weekend Masses. Further information will be included over the next few weeks and families are encouraged to follow the Weekly Messages.

Tap and Go Machines

Two weeks ago, the Parish was supplied with 2 new Tap and Go machines, the funds from which benefit the Parish. Last weekend there was a “glitch” in the system, not just our parish but Diocese wide and the machines were out of order from Sunday morning. Apologies are offered to all those who attempted to donate and their offerings were declined, we hope that the problem has been rectified and that they operate correctly this week. Fingers crossed.

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 9th/10th November ~ 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Saturday

Camden 5:00 PM
Oakdale 5:00 PM

Celebrant

Father Michael
Father James

Musician/Vocalists

TBA
Jo

Sunday

The Oaks 9:00 AM
Camden 8:00 AM
Camden 10:00 AM
Camden 5:00 PM

Father James
Father Michael
Father Michael
Father James

Nicole
Choir
Eva & Darko
Tony

10 th Nov	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	John Roberts					
Sat Vigil 5.00pm	John Roberts	Wal Glynn	Diane Kennaugh	Fabian Menolotto, Angelina Vecchio	Chris Keun, Pat O’Flynn	Elizabeth
Oakdale Vigil 5pm	Chris Billett	Brian				
Sun 8.00am	Mark Coleman	Maureen Grisdale	Deanna David	Cheryl Carroll, Glenn Crawford	Lorraine Phillips, Lucy Aquilina	Cheryl
The Oaks 9.00am		Leslie Meiklejohn				
Sun 10.00am	John Marchand	Meaghan Marchand	Leonie Gray	Michael Reardon	Kylie Crnek- Georgeson	Rafael
Sun 5.00pm	Andrew Watson	Dianne Garland	Stephen Barrett	Therese Easter	Joseph Hanson	Lo Casio family

Saturday/Sunday 16th/17th November ~ 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Saturday

Camden 5:00 PM
Oakdale 5:00 PM

Celebrant

Father James
Father Michael

Musician/Vocalists

Belinda & Tasha
Jo

Sunday

The Oaks 9:00 AM
Camden 8:00 AM
Camden 10:00 AM
Camden 5:00 PM

Father Michael
Father James
Father James
Father Michael

Nicole
Cheryl
Choir
Craig

We Pray for those who are unwell:

Nell and Wal Glynn, Pauline Cepak, Joseph Camilleri, Abbey Kohler, Brian Ovington, 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 Iona Somoracz.

Kind Regards

Saint Paul's Parish Office