



Dear Parishioners at The Oaks and Camden

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year C ~ 30/31 August

Wednesday 3 September

Saint Gregory the Great, pope, doctor

Saint Gregory I, also known as the Great, was Pope of the Catholic Church between 590 and 604, he came from a wealthy family, he was well educated and was an expert in law.

Saint Gregory said, “The sacred Scriptures grow with the one who reads them.”

Back-Up Penance Programme 2025 ~ at Camden Only

Completed Workshop books are available for pickup from the table in the Chapel. Books completed to a satisfactory standard will have a Parish stamp within the front cover. Some books will have a stamp within but have some pages marked with a tab. *The books with the tabs do not need to be returned a second time*, the tabs indicate that there is something on the marked page that needs revisiting. The Parish office will have contacted families who need to do remedial work within the books.

A reminder is offered of the ceremonies on Tuesday and Wednesday for the children to make their first confessions. Both Father Michael and Father James will be in attendance, and we are not expecting to keep families very long. An attendant will be directing families in order of arrival and if families arrive early for their session they will be directed to a waiting area. It is not necessary for children to be “dressed up” for this occasion, neat and tidy is all that is required. Families who have been in this programme are able to submit their child’s/children’s names for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend although the programme is still to conclude.

If parents have any further queries, please contact the Parish Office during normal hours.

Healing Mass ~ Tuesday 2 September

This Tuesday morning’s 9.00 am Mass, being the first Tuesday in September will be the Parish Healing Mass. If you, a family member or friend are unwell, will be having surgery or are waiting for a diagnosis please be encouraged to come along Tuesday morning to receive the additional blessings given at this Mass. A cup of tea and cake are offered in the Parish Meeting room after Mass. Everyone is most welcome.

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ST JOSEPH
THE WORKER
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OAKDALE

Sacrament First Holy Communion ~ 2025 Programme

Families with children who have made their Sacrament of Reconciliation are able to submit their child's name this weekend to be a part of the Saint Paul's Sacrament of First Holy Communion programme for 2025. Names will be taken and timelines distributed at all Masses. Families are asked to read the mutual obligations that are printed on the reverse of the Timeline.

Attendants within the church will have small forms for the recording of names, pens will be available, these small forms should then be exchanged for a Timeline.

Details of the First Holy Communion Masses and rehearsals will be marked as TBA on the timeline, and a further leaflet will be distributed on the weekend of 20/21 September when the number of names taken will allow us to make an informed decision on how many Masses will be needed to comfortably accommodate all those enrolled.

Enquires should be directed to the Parish Office during normal office hours.

September Parish Men's Group Meeting ~ Wednesday 3 September

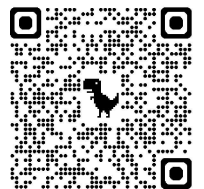
The next meeting of our Parish Men's Group is Wednesday 3 September in the Parish meeting room from 6.30pm. The format will remain the same, Prayer, Scripture Reading and Discussion. The topic for this month is "Conscience and Conscientious Objection". Father James will be the facilitator. After the meeting those Parish members who would like to continue the discussion will be able to adjourn to the Plough and Harrow for a meal.

Adult Faith Formation Series ~ The 1700th Anniversary of the Nicene Creed

Commencing next Thursday 4 September at 7.00pm in the Heritage Hall, Father James will be facilitating a series by Bishop Robert Barron on the Nicene Creed to commemorate its formulation in 325AD in Nicaea.

The sessions are open to all those over 18 years who would like to be more informed about our Statement of Faith. The series is 6 weeks in length but will pause for the school holidays.

Registration is through the QR code in our message or by contact with the Parish office.



Access to the Church Toilets during Mass

Access to the church toilets will continue to be through the rear single door of the church only. Gentlemen need to proceed straight to the rear of the buildings and then turn right up the short ramp. Lady's facilities are still in the toilet block at the rear left-hand corner of the church. Please follow the signs. These arrangements will need to be in place for the foreseeable future.

Diocesan News

For 2025, there's a very strong emphasis on Year of Jubilee.

Good idea to visit the diocesan website

www.jubilee.dow.org.au

CatholicCare ~ Aged Care at Home ~ Help at Home with Health, Mobility & Safety

CatholicCare can assist you to access aged care support services at home ensuring you or your loved ones receive the right care and support. CatholicCare has a caring Clinical Aged Care Team ready to help you or your loved ones - quickly and professionally. Their team of Registered Nurses, Occupational Therapists, and Physiotherapists can come to you. Call CatholicCare on 4211 6103 or go to www.catholiccare.dow.org.au.

Carrington Aged Care ~ New Pastoral Care Position

To meet the increasing need for emotional and spiritual care in our growing community and 1:1 support, Carrington is currently recruiting a full or part-time pastoral care worker. Please visit this seek advertisement for more information and relevant pastoral skill requirements/qualifications. <https://tinyurl.com/Pastoral-Care-Worker>. Applications close: Friday 18th September 2025.

Employment in this position is contingent on a national criminal history check clearance specific to vulnerable persons, and compliance with relevant vaccinations requirements for aged care.

Rosemeadow Jubilee Pilgrimage Day ~ Saturday 6 September

The Parish of Our Lady Help of Christians, Rosemeadow invites everyone to a Jubilee Pilgrimage Day where we will uncover the profound meaning, history and significance of the Year of Jubilee and how we can continue living it out in our pilgrimage of life towards Christ. The day begins with Mass at 10:00am, followed by a catechesis led by Elise Duval, a time of Eucharistic Adoration with opportunity for confession, and concludes with Benediction at 3:00pm. Please BYO lunch. Come and be renewed in God's mercy!

Saturday/Sunday 30th/31st August ~ 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year C

Saturday		Celebrant	Musician/Vocalists
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Belinda & Tasha
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Communion Service	Jo
Sunday			
The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father James	Nicole
Camden	8:00 AM	Father Michael	Quiet Mass
Camden	10:00 AM	Father Michael	Choir
Camden	5:00 PM	Father James	Jody

31st August	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	Nada Simich					
Sat Vigil 5.00pm	Mark Coleman	John Roberts	Danielle Caruana	Barbara Spiteri	Angelina Vecchio	Kerry
Oakdale Vigil 5pm	Chris Billett	Jo				
Sun 8.00am	Enzeigh Thomas	Anthony McElhone	Kimberley Logue	Clare Power	Lucy Aquilina	Cheryl
The Oaks 9.00am		Robyn Bielaczek				
Sun 10.00am	Mark Coleman	Michael Toweel	Maria Caridi	Nada Simich	Michael Reardon	Brad
Sun 5.00pm	Olivia Kosiak	Ann Madsen	Judith Madsen	Peter Grizelj	Samantha Vergara	Eugene Kosiak

Saturday/Sunday 6th/7th September ~ 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year C

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Camden	5:00 PM	Father James	Belinda & Maria C
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Jo

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The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father Michael	Nicole
Camden	8:00 AM	Father James	Steve & Damian
Camden	10:00 AM	Father James	Choir
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Michael	TBA

For our Faithful Departed:

Rosemary Lauricella, Domenico Luci, Luigi Zanatta, Pat O'Flynn, Don Aggar, John Pulis, Gerda Siutz, John Azzopardi, Kay McCormack, Marie Atkins, Mary Trunfio, Robert Deitz, Laurence Messner, Sheila Treanor, Robin Allison-Woods, *who died recently*. Tony Crnek, Fr David Catterall, Nancy Barone, Anthony Mifsud, Jerry Leonardi, Lilian Grech, Marco Sebato, Shanthi Joseph, *whose anniversaries are remembered at this time*. Deceased members of the Thurn, Dunn and Sutton families, deceased members of the Ryan and Lewis families, David Lewis, Diane Thorns, Barbara Celan, Mirium Bertrand, Judy Waltisbuhl, deceased members of the Burns and Vaughan families, Nathan Giles, Therese Carroll, Cath Bourke, Theresa Borg, Fr John Whitty, Barry Myles, *Requiescant in Pace*.

We Pray for those who are unwell:

Helen Parragi, Julie Curry, Oliver Franklin, Joseph Picos, June McCullough, Dean Masciocchi, Abigail Chan, Kylieann Back, Kerri Haughton, Fr Rick McCann, Diana Lee, Noel Lowry, Betty Aquilina, Mary Murphy, David Schwarb, Marie Saba, Stephen Goonan, Ralph Sawyer, Tarnia Pisano, Michael O'Sullivan, Nell and Wal Glynn, Abbey Kohler, Brian Ovington, Bernardine Hagan, Les Lugowski, Alexia Nawaling, Margaret Roach, Anne Hyeronimus, Dianne Koens, Myra Dozzi, Robyn Shearer, Betty Thomas, Olivia Toole, Sue Johnson, Nancy Calarco, Ilona Somoracz.

Kind Regards

St Paul's Parish Office