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CATHOLIC
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OAKDALE

Dear Parishioners at The Oaks and Camden

SECOND SUNDAY EASTER

- 23RD/24TH APRIL 2022

Little Anecdote

Holy Week from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday was truly an amazing time in our parishes. Gratitude is extended to all our parishioners who were so responsive in such a large variety of ways.

And the clergy did their best with, hopefully, reasonably interesting homilies at the ceremonies.

Father Michael recalls his final few days in the seminary almost 40 years ago. The Rector at the time, Father Grove Johnson, offered some advice to those seminarians who were about to be ordained as priests. He said:



“Always be deeply committed to preparing your homilies, just in case there’s someone who might be listening”.

Holy Land ~ Good Friday Collection

Many thanks to all who supported the special appeal for the Holy Land. An amount of \$4,000 was contributed at Camden and about \$100 at The Oaks. It all helps. Proceeds from the sale of the little votive candles at the Easter Vigil were also dedicated to this appeal and included in the amount of \$4,000. Quite a wonderful outcome. Very generous!

Confirmation Programme

Parents with children who have been baptised and celebrated first confession are invited to enrol their children in the programme at Masses this weekend. Children need to be in Year 6 or higher. Enrolment requires a serious commitment from the parents and carers who should be motivated and happy to make personal sacrifice. If likely to be away during the programme, please leave enrolment until another year. Alternatively, feel very welcome to make enquiry at another parishes.

Anzac Day ~ Monday 25th April

All are invited to Camden for the Mass of Anzac Day on Monday 25 April at 9:00 AM. Father Victor will be the celebrant. We remember with deep prayer and great gratitude the men and women from Australia and New Zealand who made enormous personal sacrifice for our respective countries. Many paid the ultimate sacrifice of their lives, while many others returned with their lives changed forever.

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Sunday 24th April ~ Second Sunday in Easter

Camden 9:00 AM Father Victor Quiet Mass

Vigil ~ Saturday Evening

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

Sunday

The Oaks 9:00 AM Father Victor
Camden 8:00 AM Father Michael Choir
Camden 10:00 AM Father Michael Trent and Damian
Camden 5:00 PM Father Victor Craig

24-Apr	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
9.00am						
5.00pm	John Roberts	Pat O'Flynn	Kerry Todd	Robin Roberts	John Tannous	Eugene Kosiak
8.00am	John Charadia	Kimberley Logue	Kathryn Hampton	Cheryl Carroll	Lisa McFadzean	Cheryl/ Kathryn
10.00am	James & John	Julie Sligar	Meaghan Marchand	Kylie Crnek-Georgeson	<i>(two acolytes)</i>	Julie Sligar
5.00pm	Andrew Watson	Judith Madsen	Samantha Vergara	Diane Garland	Brian Jenkins	Craig

Sunday 1st May ~ Third Sunday in Easter

Camden 9:00 AM Father Michael Quiet Mass

Vigil ~ Saturday Evening

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

Sunday

The Oaks 9:00 AM Father Michael
Camden 8:00 AM Father Victor Steve and Damian
Camden 10:00 AM Father Victor Eva and Darko
Camden 5:00 PM Father Michael Jenny and Tasha

From The Diocese

Diaconate Ordination of James Arblaster

30 April 2022 Limited spaces remain available for the ordination of James Arblaster to the Diaconate on Saturday 30 April at 10.30 am at St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong. You are invited to consider joining James' family, friends, fellow seminarians and the faithful of the diocese, in praying for James on this special day. You must register to attend in person at rsvp.dow.org.au Alternatively, you are encouraged to please join with the faithful from around the Diocese who will prayerfully view the ordination online <http://livestream.lumenchristi.org.au/>

LIVE Local Macarthur Catholic Youth Ministry Wollongong

CYMW is back with LIVE Local in the Macarthur, running every Sunday night in the school term from 6:15pm–8:15pm, at St John the Evangelist Parish Campbelltown. This regional youth group is for all Parishes and is open to young people aged 13–17 who want to make new friends and grow in their faith. Come along for snacks, games, formation, prayer, and music. For more information, please contact our deanery youth group coordinator, Luke Vail at luke.vail@dow.org.au For more details on youth groups, visit <https://www.dow.org.au/cymw/>

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For our Faithful Departed

John O'Grady, Emma Patty, Lilian Grech, Enzo Dozzi *who died recently*. Tina Pereira, Martha Pires, Michael Gorman, *whose anniversaries are remembered at this time*. Pat Friend, Mary, Nere & Patrick Walton, Cath Bourke, Alex Bannon, Nathan Giles, Therese Carroll.

We Pray for those who are unwell

Pam Simmonds.

Kind Regards

Father Michael