



*Dear Parishioners at Camden and The Oaks*

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ 6<sup>TH</sup>/7<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**

**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**

**Activity for Easter Reflection  
and especially for  
discussion with children and teenagers during the evening meal.**

**It's not about the bunny; it's about the Lamb.**

**Please discuss.**

**THE OAKS**

We apologise for Father Victor being unable to attend Mass at The Oaks last Sunday morning. Even priests can become ill, and Father Victor fell victim to this and as a result was too sick to come, and on such short notice, no replacement could be found. Again, we apologise.

**ST PAUL'S CHAPEL ~ ENTRANCE**

Parishioners who enter the church through the chapel would have noticed an upgrade to the walls with fresh plastering and painting. The various jobs have been undertaken on an honorary basis by tradesmen who are highly accomplished in their respective professions.

In particular, Sonny Aquilina was ultimately responsible for the upgrade. Sonny is a very dedicated parishioner who owns and operates his own business under the name Empire Interior Plastering. Further inquiries about this job or any other jobs are welcome. Details available on his website <http://www.empireinteriorplastering.com.au/>.

**ST CLARE'S CHURCH**

Tentative plans for a meeting with the architects on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 6:00 PM. Those who came to the initial meeting are invited to attend and consider the various developments since that time. Meeting details will be confirmed in the Weekly Message arriving for Sunday 14 May.

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## Confirmation Programme

The programme continues this week according to a two-step process:

1. Please collect a leaflet after Mass from one of our volunteers who will be in attendance in front of the sanctuary. Complete the form: pens will be available.
2. Then proceed to the parish meeting room and exchange for a personalised Confirmation workbook, as well as assistance sheets.

These assistance sheets are to be used as a resource for parents/carers to assist the children.

Children need to complete the whole of Chapter 1 (pages 3-13) before next weekend. And adults need to complete their own reading that is contained within the books. Most important to be committed. Won't cause any suffering.

## Sacrament of Penance Back-up Programme 2022/2023

Wonderful start to the programme with children reciting their prayers to either Father Victor or Father Michael. Very apparent that those mums/dads/carers who did attend have been assisting their children. Unfortunately some families were unable to attend, and as a result cannot collect their books until they have completed this very important step. Father Michael will see prepared families after 5.00pm Mass this Sunday 7 May. Should families find this time unsuitable, a further session will be held next Thursday 11 May at 5.00pm, and workbooks can be collected at that time.

For this weekend,: A two-step process:

1. Please collect a **coloured** leaflet after Mass from one of our volunteers who will be in attendance in front of the sanctuary. Complete the form: pens will be available.
2. Then proceed to the parish meeting room and exchange for a personalised Penance workbook, as well as assistance sheets.

These assistance sheets are to be used as a resource for parents/carers to assist the children.

Children need to complete the whole of Chapter 1 (pages 3-8) before next weekend. And adults need to complete their own reading that is contained within the books. Most important to be committed.

## LITTLE EASTER HUMOUR

**Question:** What kind of rabbit tells jokes?

**Answer:** A little funny bunny.

## Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter

### Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 6<sup>th</sup> May

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

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May

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

7 <sup>th</sup> May	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	Enzeigh Thomas					
Sat Vigil 5.00pm	Pat O'Flynn	Diane Kennaugh	Diane Kennaugh	Chris Keun	Trish O'Flynn	Elizabeth
Sun 8.00am	Enzeigh Thomas	Maria Caridi	Glenn Crawford	Maryann Ace	Lucy Aquilina	Cheryl/ Kathryn
Sun 10.00am	James McFarlane	Wal Glynn	Nada Simich	Cathy Conwell	Joseph Hanson	Brad
Sun 5.00pm	John Marchand	Maria Kosiak	Meaghan Marchand	Samantha Vergara	Dianne Garland	Eugene

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter

### Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 13<sup>th</sup> May

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

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May

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

## Diocesan News

Get connected with what is on around the diocese. Conscious that with many messages to choose from to put in your bulletins every week, we are continuing to include a short message near the top of the message suggestions that captures an opportunity for the faithful to stay connected with what is happening around the diocese.

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 subscribe:

<https://dow.sh/stayingconnected> or

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

*For our Faithful Departed:* Darryl Ellis, Marguerite Giles, Francesco Barbaresco, Luisa Pocock, John Carey, Margaret Baragry, Michele Wrice, Edwin Thurn, Les Thomas, Malcolm Whelan, Victor Dalli, *who died recently.* Maria Battaglini, Paul Barry. Fr Whitty, Giuseppe Varacalli, Mary Falconer, *whose anniversaries are remembered at this time.* Cath Bourke, Barry Myles, Rino & Assunta Zanatta, Pasquale Zanatta, George Apap, Apap family, Joyce family, Mary, Nathan Giles, Therese Carroll, Louis & Victoria Gauci, *RIP.*

*We Pray for those who are unwell:* Betty Thomas, Marie Dunn, Glenn Murphy, Olivia Toole, Michael O'Sullivan, Myra Dozzi, Des Grissell, Sue Johnson, Nancy Calarco, Norman Richardson, John and Ilona Somoracz.

**Kind Regards**

**Father Michael**