



ST. PAUL'S
CATHOLIC PARISH
CAMDEN

ST. ALOYSIUS
CATHOLIC PARISH
THE OAKS

ST CLARE'S
CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY
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ST JOSEPH
THE WORKER
CATHOLIC
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OAKDALE

Dear Parishioners at The Oaks and Camden

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

About the Holy Sacrament of Confirmation

From St. Ambrose

Remember, then, that you received a spiritual seal, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of knowledge and reverence, the spirit of holy fear. Keep safe what you received. God the Father sealed you; Christ the Lord strengthened you and sent the Spirit into your hearts as the pledge of what is to come.

From St. Aloysius Gonzaga

It is better to be a child of God than to be king of the whole world.

WELCOME TO BISHOP BRIAN

Bishop Brian will be getting plenty of time in St Paul's church this weekend. He'll preside at three ceremonies on Saturday and two on Sunday. With a very genuine sense of gratitude, a thank-you card from both our parishes will be passed to Bishop Brian after the final Mass with a little offering within. Always important to show a little gratitude and appreciation.

MASSES AT CAMDEN THIS WEEKEND

On Sunday 25th June, the 8:00 AM Mass and the 5:00 PM Mass will be unaffected by the Confirmations.

The Saturday 24th 5:00 PM Vigil Mass and the Sunday 10:00 AM will include Confirmations.

But plenty of room has been reserved for all our regular parishioners. So if you're not in a hurry, please come along. Ideally, the church for both the Vigil and the 10 AM Mass will be about 75% full.

THE OAKS

A little complication! There now needs to be a boundary realignment to ensure ongoing vehicle access for hearses, stone masons, maintenance vehicles, etc. This will add a little extra time before it's possible to seal the deal. The matter is with the solicitors.

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CATHOLIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

Next meeting has been scheduled for this coming Wednesday evening at 7.00pm. This little programme is ideally suited to adults who would like to be initiated into the Catholic Church as well as Catholics who might be interested in a refresher course. All still welcome. The duration of each evening is an hour.

WONDERFULLY GOOD NEWS

Parishioners may remember from earlier in the year, a decision was taken to restore a chalice and an asperges bowl. Both were looking quite awful as if having been exposed to the outdoor elements for far too long.

So a quote was obtained for restoration which came in at 2,000 bikkies for the sterling-silver chalice and about 1,000 bikkies for the bowl. The final outcome from the restoration process exceeded expectations and was quite outstanding.

And to make a good story even better, one of our parishioners donated \$2,000 and another parishioner donated \$1,000.

Both the chalice and the asperges bowl will be either used or on display this weekend at all Masses including the Confirmation ceremonies.

Gotta love our parishes.



CONFIRMATION CELEBRATIONS

The programme comes to fulfilment this weekend with five ceremonies. Gratitude is extended to all who have participated in the programme with a real sense of motivation and commitment.

Reminder to ask/persuade/appeal/coerce the children to devote 30 minutes revising their workbooks. Important to be sharp if the Bishop asks questions.

Special request for people to refrain from taking snaps during the ceremonies. Plenty of opportunities afterwards. And parents are asked to remind family and friends to refrain from eating, drinking and chewing bubble gum in church. Reverence is always important in our parish churches.

ST CLARE'S CHURCH

Thanks to all the parishioners last weekend at the Camden Masses Vigil, 8:00 AM and 10: AM. Towards the end of each Mass the parishioners were asked – by a show of hands – whether the joinery in the sacristies for St Clare's church should have a timber finish or a white finish. Overall, there was a comfortable majority in favour of the timber finish. This result was passed onto the project manager and the architect for their consideration. Much appreciated.

A LITTLE HUMOUR

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic primary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray, "Take only one. God is watching." Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. One child whispered to another, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

Saturday/Sunday 24th/25th June ~ 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 24th June

Camden	5:00 PM	Bishop Brian	Maria & Sarah	
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Jo	Confirmation Mass

Sunday 25th June

The Oaks	9:00 AM	Father Victor	Nicole	
Camden	8:00 AM	Father Michael	Cheryl	
Camden	10:00 AM	Bishop Brian	Belinda & Tasha	Confirmation Mass
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Trent & Damian	

Please note that at the Parish Masses that are also a Confirmation Mass on Saturday 5:00 PM and Sunday 10:00 AM, there will be plenty of room for our normal parishioners especially on the presbytery side of the church. All welcome.

25 th June	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	Enzeigh Thomas					
Oakdale Vigil 5pm	Chris Billett					
Sun 8.00am	Enzeigh Thomas	Glenn Crawford	Maria Caridi	Kathryn Hampton	Maryann Ace	Cheryl/ Kathryn
Sun 5.00pm	Andrew Watson	Maria Kosiak	Judith Madsen	Jacinta Abernethy	Simon Abernethy	Eugene

Sunday 2nd July ~ 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 1st July

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

Sunday 2nd July

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

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 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: Alana Vella, Cynthia Agius, Barry Deitz, Durda Vokovic, Arthur Ferguson, Joseph Carlyn, Bruce Millar, Carmen Fenech, Diana Wickett, *who died recently.* Drago Milosevic, Arthur Lang, Alma Reilly, Annunziata Zinghini, Eric Busby, Michael Busby, Keith & Maureen Millar, Maria Grech, Maria Battaglini, Paul Barry, *whose anniversaries are remembered at this time.* Cath Burke, Sabas Bolivar, Oliva Bolivar, msgr Pastor Bolivar, Maria Irwin, Carol Bannon, Michelle Rooney, Clare Maroussis, Cath Bourke, Barry Myles, George Apap, Apap family, Joyce family, Mary, Nathan Giles, Therese Carroll, Louis & Victoria Gauci, *RIP.*

We Pray for those who are unwell: Barbara Brodnik, Chris Yopp, Monica Tattam, Yolande Herisson, Hector Balestri, 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