



ST. PAUL'S
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THE OAKS

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COMMUNITY
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ST JOSEPH
THE WORKER
CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY
OAKDALE

Dear Parishioners at The Oaks and Camden

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From St Francis of Assisi

"I have been all things unholy. If God can work through me, He can work through anyone."

CATHOLIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

Our programme continues to develop with special emphasis on weekly presence at Mass, midweek reading and discussion in groups. This coming meeting looks at interesting topics including Pentecost and the early Church. All welcome. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 July at 7.00pm. This will be the final opportunity to be part of this year's programme.

ST CLARE'S CHURCH

Reminder that at Masses this weekend in Camden, 22nd/23rd a 10-minute presentation will take the place of the homily. The presentation will include about half a dozen slides to provide our parishioners with a good idea of the new church. In reality, the church upon completion will look far better than the computer-generated images. During the presentation, there won't be time for questions but all will be welcomed to respond by completing a questionnaire and adding their own thoughts and remarks.

THE OAKS

Progress continues although a little slower than first anticipated. Following the most recent community meeting in which there was most helpful discussion, it soon became apparent that there needed to be a slight realignment of boundaries to ensure ongoing vehicle access to the present cemetery and also to the eventual extension of the present cemetery. Hearses as well as vehicles for stonemasonry and maintenance will forever involve proper access. Matters are now being managed by the legal fraternity to ensure a smooth outcome.

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ST PAUL'S HERITAGE HALL

There has been progress in recent weeks. And it now appears highly likely that the problem which led to the seepage of water beneath the floorboards has only recently been rectified. Plans are now underway for a new floor to replace the old floor. And that will be followed by fresh carpeting and other ancillary works. Hopefully the hall will be back to its heritage best well before the end of the year.

DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN OF INDIA FUND

Through the involvement of our well-known parishioners, Ann and Richard Stomber, our parish has been contributing for almost 10 years to the work of the Carmelite Sisters and Fathers in remote areas of India by selling Christmas cards and holding raffles.

The funds that have been raised have been used to purchase beds, clothing, medicines and other projects according to need. 100% of all funds contributed are dedicated to the missions. No deductions for any costs such as wages and administration.

For this weekend, the money contributed to the 'tap and go' devices will be dedicated to this appeal. There will be a container in the front area of the church this weekend, for any donations. Parishioners wishing to donate online can do so at

Disadvantaged Children of India fund BSB 032710 Acc: 196622.

Please try to be supportive if possible. Thank you.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES FOR 2023-2024

Planned Giving Envelopes for the coming year that commences the first weekend in August are now available for pick up. They are in alphabetical order on the table that is between the side door and the windows at the back of the church. Father Michael and Father Victor thank all those participating in the programme. Now is the ideal time should anyone have been considering joining the planned giving. Arrangements can be made for either the envelopes or direct debit by contact the parish office during normal hours.

A LITTLE HUMOUR

Questions: Where do cats go when they die?

Answer: To Purr-gatory.

Sunday 23rd July ~ 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 22nd July

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

Sunday 23rd July

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

23 rd July	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	Enzeigh Thomas					
Sat Vigil 5.00pm	John Roberts	Chris Keun	Maria Kosiak	Robin Roberts	Sharon Picken	Eugene
Oakdale Vigil 5pm	Chris Billett	Sue				
Sun 8.00am	Enzeigh Thomas	Wal Glynn	Maureen Grisdale	Maryann Ace	Lucy Aquilina	Cheryl/ Kathryn
Sun 10.00am	John Marchand	Julie Sligar	Michael Toweel	Michael Reardon	Peter Grizelj	Julie
Sun 5.00pm	Andrew Watson	Judith Madsen	Margaret Thornton	Jacinta Abernethy	Simon Abernethy	Craig

Sunday 30th July ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil ~ Saturday Evening 29th July

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

Sunday 30th July

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

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: Michael Carroll, Clarice Rutledge, Fr Alan Hartcher ofm, Yolande Herisson, Alana Vella, Cynthia Agius, Barry Deitz, Durda Vokovic, *who died recently*. Ena Lang, Mary Thurn, Maree Deigan, Cath Burke, Drago Milosevic, Arthur Lang, Eric Busby, Michael Busby, *whose anniversaries are remembered at this time*. Lewis family, Ryan family, 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: Betty Thomas, Marie Dunn, Wayne Fletcher, Betty Aquilina, Kerry Hudson, Barbara Brodnik, Chris Yopp, Monica Tattam, Hector Balestri, 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