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ST JOSEPH  
THE WORKER  
CATHOLIC  
COMMUNITY  
OAKDALE

## Dear Parishioners at The Oaks and Camden

14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B ~ 7 July 2024

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July      **Feast of St Benedict**

- ❖ Prayer ought to be short and pure, unless it be prolonged by the inspiration of Divine grace.
- ❖ Idleness is an enemy of the soul.
- ❖ One who never stops talking cannot avoid falling into sin.
- ❖ We read it is true, that wine is by no means a drink for monastics; but since the monastics of our day cannot be persuaded of this let us at least agree to drink sparingly and not to excess because 'wine makes even the wise fall away' (Eccles. 19:2)."

### Planned Giving Envelopes

Our parishioners who are so wonderfully committed towards making our parish financially viable are asked to collect their envelopes from the chapel.

Of all our planned-giving contributors, 70% contribute electronically. The other 30% contribute in the traditional manner with envelopes. Please contact the parish office if ever interested in contributing electronically.

This form of commitment is greatly needed and greatly appreciated. And BTW, building new churches is not an inexpensive exercise.

Sincere thanks to all who are so supportive. When we give to God's church, we give to God.

Envelopes for the new financial year commencing the weekend of 3/4 August are available for pickup from a table in the Chapel. The envelopes are in alphabetical order.

### Catholic Enrichment Programme

Next meeting this coming Wednesday 10 July at 7:00 PM in the Camden parish meeting room. All welcome.

## The Oaks

Tree removal and tree lopping scheduled for this Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July. All works follow approval from Wollondilly Council.

Next parish meeting scheduled for Thursday 25 July at 6:00 PM. Fraternity afterwards.

## Men's Evening ~ Wrap Up

Wonderful evening on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July with 28 men in attendance. Very interesting presentation and discussion. And a most enjoyable hour afterwards at a local pub. Next meeting 7 August at 6:30 PM. All men invited.

## Amended Mass Roster for July

Unfortunately, due to a little misadventure, Father David O'Brien is unable to assist this Sunday and possibly well into July. Accordingly, the following will apply for this weekend.

### Weekend in July 6/7:

Oakdale: There will be a HC service on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

The Oaks: Mass at 9:00 AM but homily delivered after the recessional hymn.

Camden: Masses as usual except for the Sunday 8:00 AM Mass where the homily will be delivered after the recessional hymn.

## Anointing of the Dying

When our parishioners have family members and friends who have reached a great age and are in obvious decline, please notify the parish office. A priest will try to visit as soon as possible. It's best practice to allow a week for the priest to visit. Hopefully that length of time won't be necessary but it will go a long way towards ensuring anointing before death.

If families try to time their notification to the priest and parish office to within a few hours of dying, then there will invariably be disappointment. Priests can be heavily committed especially if away from the parish and/or in instances of funerals.

Thanks for understanding

## **Holy Communion to those in Aged Care**

Meeting this Tuesday morning at 9.30am Special guest from Carrington to be present, Ms Rachael King. Good idea to attend 9.00am Mass if possible and attend the meeting afterwards. A cup of tea will be offered.

## **Backup Penance Programme ~ at Camden only**

The programme continues this weekend with – would you believe – more than 50 families already registered.

Hopefully, in future years this back-up programme won't become the norm. Books will be distributed over the weekend of 12/13 July, so this weekend will be the last opportunity families have to enrol for the Backup Programme.

The timeline for our signature Penance Programme proceeds according to the following sequence:

- (1) the first three weeks of Advent ~ late November and December
- (2) Pause over Christmas and January holidays, and
- (3) Resumption from last weekend in January through to about Fourth Week of Lent.

## **St Aloysius The Oaks Morning Tea**

This Sunday, The Oaks will be holding the monthly morning tea after 9.00am Mass. If you enjoy a little conversation and community after Mass, please bring along a plate and enjoy the company and celebration.

## **St Joseph the Worker Oakdale ~ Rosary**

This Saturday evening, the first of the month, the Rosary will be said in the church at Oakdale after the Communion Service. Everyone is very welcome to stay and to be a part of these beautiful prayers and to enjoy the company of other parishioners.



### Ignite Conference 2024 ~ Rise Up

Ignite Conference 2024: Rise Up! Brisbane 19-22 September 2024

A conference for everyone, from leaders to first-time believers. This is the Church gathered and alive on mission. This is God's people united with one heart. Ignite Conference is a gathering of Catholics for four days of real-world formation, renewal of faith, great people and powerful worship.

Join with young people from our Diocese and over 2000 high schoolers, young adults, leaders, teachers, priests and religious taking part in a life changing encounter with God and His Church.

For more information, go to [ignite.conference.com.au](https://ignite.conference.com.au) and contact Arnie Hurdoyal at 0431 611 128 or [Arnie.hurdoyal@dow.org.au](mailto:Arnie.hurdoyal@dow.org.au) to be part of our Diocesan Group attending this amazing event.

### Wollongong Diocesan Youth Council

Bishop Brian Mascord invites suitably qualified and eager persons to apply for the Diocesan Youth Council, an advisory and implementation body, tasked with initiating missional outcomes for youth and young adult (Y&YA) ministry.

The council will meet quarterly. Applicants should be aged between 16-40, have a range of experiences, and be passionate about outreach, formation and building community amongst Y&YA.

Does this sound like you? Applications are now open for those interested in serving on the council. To apply, head to: <https://tinyurl.com/5668bfmf> For more information, please contact our youth ministry leader; Arnie Hurdoyal [Arnie.hurdoyal@dow.org.au](mailto:Arnie.hurdoyal@dow.org.au) / MOB: 0431 611 128

### MenALIVE National Conference

The gentlemen of our parishes are invited to a National Conference at the Mount Carmel Retreat Centre Varroville from 19-21 July.

The theme for this year is Mountains. Many men, families and parishes have benefited from these conferences. More information available from

<https://menalive.org.au/events/max-weekend-2024>

### More 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

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

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

## Saturday/Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> July ~ 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Saturday		Celebrant	Musician/Vocalists
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Belinda & Sarah
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Communion Service	Jo

### Sunday

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

7 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	Enzeigh Thomas					
Sat Vigil 5.00pm	Mark Coleman	Pat O'Flynn	Diane Kennaugh	Chris Keun	Angelina Vecchio	Kerry
Oakdale Vigil 5pm	Chris Billett	Jo				
Sun 8.00am	Enzeigh Thomas	Cheryl Carroll	Glenn Crawford	Maryann Ace	Lucy Aquilina	Cheryl
The Oaks 9.00am		Carol Ann Meiklejohn				
Sun 10.00am	Michael Toweel	Leonie Gray	Joseph Hanson	Michael Reardon	Kylie Crnek- Georgeson	Che
Sun 5.00pm	None	Maria Kosiak	Dianne Garland	Jacinta Abernethy	Simon Abernethy	Eugene

## Saturday/Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> July ~ 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B

Saturday		Celebrant	Musician/Vocalists
Camden	5:00 PM	Father Michael	Maria B & Maria C
Oakdale	5:00 PM	TBA	Jo

### Sunday

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

*For our Faithful Departed: Ilona Holmick, Zoe Valentine, Hareth Daood, Rosemarie Patten, Helen Dalitz, Josephine Harrison, Colin Gay, Aggie White, baby Grace Taseski, Christine Deguara, Hugh Crawford, Santina Mazzaferro, John Schneider, John Murray, who died recently. Eric Busby, Michael Busby, Ron Valentine, Jane Micallef, Antonio Bono, Winifred Golden, Maria Grech, whose anniversaries are remembered at this time. Lewis Family, Ryan Family, Dianne Thoms, Cath Burke, Clem O'Brien, Diane Vella, George Apap, Apap family, Joyce family, Barry Myles, Nathan Giles, Therese Carroll, Requiescat in Pace.*

*We Pray for those who are unwell: Brian Ovington, Wal Glynn, Bernardine Hagan, Les Lugowski, Alexia Nawaling, Margaret Roach, Anne Hyeronimus, Dianne Koens, Myra Dozzi, Anne Lonsdale, Robyn Shearer, Betty Thomas, Wayne Fletcher, Betty Aquilina, Olivia Toole, Sue Johnson, Nancy Calarco, Norman Richardson, John and Ilona Somoracz.*

Kind Regards

Father Michael