



**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**

Dear Parishioners at The Oaks and Camden

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ YEAR A ~ 13/14 FEBRUARY 2026

Thursday 11 June ~ Saint Romuald. Abbot, Confessor of the Faith

Saint Romuald was an Italian monk and reformer who was born around C951. After taking part in a duel at the age of 20 against a family member and being devastated by the event, Saint Romuald first entered the Cluny Abbey but found it not strict enough in its observance and he asked permission to retire to Venice. He founded the Camaldolese order where he and other monks led a solitary, contemplative and communal life. He became known for his fierce discipline and spiritual clarity, he inspired a revival of contemplative practice across medieval Europe, leaving a lasting monastic legacy.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION ~ 2026

This week families are asked to pick up their marked and stamped workshop books. The books are on tables in the chapel near the beautiful statue of Saint Paul, they have been very well presented, and parents can be very proud of the children's efforts.

Some workshop books will have a small paper tab on a page or several pages; the tabs indicate that the answers on that page need to be revisited. It is for the children's benefit for the tabbed pages to be looked at, if your book has a stamp within the front cover and you have not had a call from the Parish office there is no need for your child's book to be returned for a second time.

Most candidates have either had their Prayer Assessment or have booked a time for a Prayer Assessment this weekend, but this does leave a few candidates to still be assessed. No candidate can proceed until they have been assessed, so if your child is one of the few it is now very important for you to contact the Parish Office to arrange a mutually convenient time. The certificates are now being prepared, if you have yet to supply your child's Saints name and Sponsor, emailing or returning the form to the Parish Office would be greatly appreciated.

A new leaflet has been prepared with the changes that were able to be made from the many requests that we received. It was impossible to assist everyone and most of the allocations did not change. If you would like a new leaflet, please ask for one from the attendants.

We are still receiving enquiries regarding the dress code for the Confirmation Masses and Ceremonies. Father Michael does not want families to go to unnecessary expense to provide special clothing, but all families are encouraged to recognise the importance of this Sacrament. The children should be dressed neatly. Our young ladies are encouraged to be wearing dresses and with modest hair arrangements. The boys could be dressed in long-sleeve shirts possibly with a tie and long trousers, a coat is also acceptable if families wish.

Blessed bookmarks are still available for any candidate who has not received one, please ask the attendants for one if needed.



RCIA ~ ADULTS INTO THE CHURCH 2026

Our 2026 RCIA Programme commenced last Wednesday evening 10 June in the Parish Meeting Room. Over twenty interested parties had registered to attend, and all came along to be a part of the information session. The next scheduled date is Wednesday 24 June at 7.00pm in the Parish Meeting room. The topics for the second session will be “The Meaning of Life”, “Creation and the Fall” and “Salvation History”. Father Michael will be the facilitator. It is not too late to become a part of the 2026 Programme, if you are interested, please contact the Parish Office during normal hours or come along on the 24 June.

ADDITIONAL CATHOLIC WEEKLIES AVAILABLE

Last week’s Catholic Weekly had a very nice article and photograph of the turning of the Sod by Bishop Brian, Father Michael, and the builder as well as attendees from the Diocese at the ceremony celebrating the commencement of the building of our new church at Saint Clare’s. An attempt was made to secure additional copies for last weekend but due to the short notice of the article appearing the publishers were unable to assist at the time, but they have now sent us a few additional copies. Father Michael is happy for any parishioner who would like a copy and missed out last weekend to take one from the table in the chapel at no charge.

The local free newspaper “The District Reporter” also had a reporter and photographer at the ceremony for the Turning of the Sod and they ran a half page article. Copies should still be available around Camden and Narellan from stores that carry this publication, for anyone who may be interested.

PLEASE PRESERVE THE REVERENCE OF THE CHURCH

All who enter our Church are asked to please refrain bringing in fizzy drinks, coffee, lollies and treats, especially chewing gum. Our church is cleaned to a very high standard, and sweets and spills left by those who attend early Masses leave those who attend at later times unable to enjoy the same cleanliness, as well the consuming of these items show disregard for the reverence of the church. Our electronic sign has this request on it at all times.

ACCESS TO THE CHURCH TOILETS DURING MASS

Access to the church toilets will continue to be through the rear single door of the church only. Gentlemen need to proceed straight ahead to the rear of the buildings and then turn right up the short ramp. Lady’s facilities are still in the toilet block at the rear left-hand corner of the church. Please follow the signs.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Ageing with Confidence – What's age got to do with it?
Wednesday 22 July 2026 – Campbelltown Catholic Club

Join CatholicCare for a free community event with Dr Emily Steel from the Australian Human Rights Commission, sharing practical approaches to ageing well. Morning tea and info stalls included. Register via the QR code, call 1800 967 894 or www.catholiccare.dow.org.au. Enquiries to Jane Hollier 0417 018 152 or janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au.



SATURDAY/SUNDAY 13TH/14TH ~ 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ YEAR A

Saturday

Camden	5:00 PM	Father Hung	Maria B & Sarah
Oakdale	5:00 PM	Father Victor	Jo

Sunday

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

14 th Jun	Acolyte	Lector	Lector	Special Minister	Special Minister	PC
Sat 9.00am	Enzeigh Thomas					
Sat Vigil 5.00 pm	Mark Coleman	Sandra Skarsky	Jim Gallagher	Fabian Menolotto, Barbara Spiteri	Angelina Vecchio, Russell O'Brien	Elizabeth
Oakdale Vigil 5pm	Chris Billet	Albino				
Sun 8.00am	Enzeigh Thomas	Peter Vincent	Kimberley Logue	Lucy Aquilina	Clare Power	Cheryl
The Oaks 9.00am		Warren Jones				
Sun 10.00am	James McFarlane	Michael Toweel	Meaghan Marchand	Lily Crnek, Julie Puckrin	Kristen King, Michael Reardon	Che
Sun 5.00pm	Peter Grizelj	Joseph Hanson	Margaret Thornton	Melissa Scavo	Dianne Garland	Lo Cascio family

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 20TH/21ST ~ 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ YEAR A

Saturday

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

Sunday

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

For our Faithful Departed: John Hickey, Bettie Small, John Barrs, Shirley Chapman, Barry Sheil, *who died recently.* Ronald Valentine, Zoe Valentine, Joseph Tonna, Eric Busby, Michael Busby, Alenka Zuvela, Miljenko Zuvela, *whose anniversaries are remembered at this time.* Lilian Grech, Theresa Borg, Bersa Grech, Carmen Teuma, Carmela Teuma, Delores Spiteri, Cath Bourke, Therese Carroll, Nathan Giles, Thurn family, Dunn family, Sutton family Msgr Pastor Bolivar Virginia, Sammy Fenech, Barry Myles, Thurn, Dunn and Sutton families, Pat O'Flynn, Fr Allan Hartcher, Fr David Catterall, Fr John Whitty, *Requiescat in Pace.*

We Pray for those who are unwell:

Evelyn Duck, Ladislaus Parragi, Mason Bayliss, Patricia Stubbs, Jan & Terry Chanter, Helen Parragi, Oliver Franklin, June McCullough, Dean Masciocchi, Abigail Chan, Kylieann Back, Kerri Haughton, Fr Rick McCann, Diana Lee, Noel Lowry, Betty Aquilina, Stephen Goonan, Ralph Sawyer, Tarnia Pisano, Michael O'Sullivan, Nell Glynn, Abbey Kohler, Brian Ovington, Bernardine Hagan, Les Lugowski, Alexia Nawaling, Bob & Margaret Roach, Dianne Koens, Myra Dozzi, Robyn Shearer, Betty Thomas, Olivia Toole, Sue

Kind Regards

Father Michael Williams PP