

Dear Parishioners of St Paul's Camden, St Clare's Narellan Vale, St Aloysius The Oaks and St Joseph the Worker Oakdale,

Father Michael is attending to a long standing commitment and as a result is not able to do his weekly message at this time. Because the message has proved to be so popular in the current circumstances he has asked if we can continue to send something in his absence.

This weekend Mass times for all the churches are remaining the same as last weekend.

Saturday at Camden 4.30pm and 6.00pm and Oakdale at 5.00pm

Sunday at Camden 7.30am 9.00am 10.30am and 5.00pm and the Oaks at 9.00am

Our visiting priest Father John Stork will be at Oakdale at 5.00pm, the Oaks at 9.00am and at Camden at 10.30am

Father Joseph will be celebrating Camden 4.30pm, 6.00pm 7.30am, 9.00am and 5.00pm

Because of the limited numbers able to be accommodated within the churches, 36 at Oakdale and 16 at The Oaks we still have Covid 19 arrangements in place. The Oaks is strictly by prior arrangement through contact with Susie Freestone. Oakdale is usually able to accommodate those wanting to attend, should you be aware of anyone who would like to attend Mass and has not yet done so, please ask them to contact Susie on 4657 1723 she is very happy to hear from them.

Burraborang Road is now open at Back Creek which makes it much easier and safer for those parishioners attending St Joseph the Worker to come by the direct route.

St Paul's at Camden is only able to have 100 worshipers so everyone is encouraged to book either on line or by contact with the parish office on 4655 8797. Office bookings should be made by Friday morning 11.00am. Parishioners who just turn up are admitted if there is room within the church. Our wonderful volunteer monitors accommodate where possible but to avoid being turned away, as sometimes has happened please make a booking.

All Masses are still quiet Masses due to the Covid 19 restrictions. Those attending morning Mass at Camden at 9.00am, Tuesday through to Saturday will attest to Father Joseph's computer skills in having the morning prayers on the screens but still quiet.

The very good news is that Saint Paul's Primary school has requested permission for one class to attend morning Mass on each of Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, subject to the teachers and children following Covid 19 requirements Father Michael has agreed, so from this week we have had the children back in the church which is very pleasing.

Envelopes for the 2020 – 2021 year are available to be picked up either by asking the monitor on arrival or when leaving Mass or just pop into the office during office hours and we will be happy to give them to you.

There is a limited roster being produced for Acolytes and Lectors if you are an Acolyte or Lector and would like to be part of the roster but have not yet contacted the office could we ask you to do so..

The cleaning of the church after each Mass is continuing and is very much appreciated "many hands make light work" is certainly one of the sayings at this testing time, wipes and surface spray are positioned around the church and Father Michael and Father Joseph thank everyone who helps.

Look for our message again next week, but in the meantime please stay safe and well,

Father Michael, Father Joseph, Elizabeth and Cheryl