

ST. PAUL'S Catholic Parish Camden

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> ST CLARE'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NARELLAN

ST JOSEPH The Worker Catholic Community Oakdale Dear Parishioners at The Oaks and Camden

RE: WEEKLY MESSAGE FOR WEEKEND 26/27 JUNE 2021

13th Sunday on Ordinary Time

Spiritual Insight

From Father Richard Rohr OFM in his book "The Universal Christ"

"I have had the pleasure of presiding at many weddings over the years. Three different times, as I prepared the couple to exchange their vows, the groom actually fainted and fell to the ground. But I have never seen the bride faint. To the well-protected and boundaried male ego, there are few greater threats than the words 'till death do us part.' (I am sure women have their blockages too.) That may be why so many cultures created initiation rites to teach men how to trust, let go, and surrender." (Pages 70-71).

Coronavirus Restrictions

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Big Changes from last week. At the three churches at Oakdale, The Oaks and Camden:

- 1. The change in social distancing means far lees people can be present at Mass at the one time.
- 2. No congregational singing.
- 3. Masks need to be worn.

If receiving Holy Communion, please momentarily remove or partially remove the mask before receiving the host. Then consume the host with reverence and refit the mask. With thanks

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Sunday Morning Masses at Camden

There were plans that from the first weekend in July, The number of Sunday morning Masses would be reduced from 3 to 2. However, because of the change in social distancing requirements, the three Masses at 7:30 AM. 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM will be retained until the social distancing requirements are eased. Apologies for any inconvenience.

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Adults interested in becoming Catholic

The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday 14 July at 7:00 PM in the parish meeting room at Camden. If not having attended so far and now interested in coming along, please register by contacting the parish office.

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The Oaks and Oakdale

Meeting has been scheduled for this coming Thursday 1 July at 6:00 PM in which Bishop Brian is expected to be present. But even if Coronavirus restrictions prevent his arrival, the meeting will take place as planned unless in lockdown. The maximum able to attend will be 30 people, and bookings will need to be made with Maree Duck on 4653 1303.

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Mass Times and Baptisms from 3/4 July

No changes at The Oaks and Oakdale. Baptisms according to appointment for those who live in the parish of The Oaks.

Weekend Masses at Camden:	Two Saturday Vigils to continue at 4:30 PM and 6:00 PM. Sunday morning Masses will eventually be reduced to 2 but now remain at 3. Sunday evening Mass to remain at 5:00 PM.
Baptisms:	Sundays only 11:30 AM for 11:45 AM after the 10:30 AM Mass.

Sacrament of Penance Programme

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The children who have been in the most recent catch-up programme and still to celebrate First Confession are asked to come along to the chapel in Camden on Saturday 3 July between 9:30 AM and 10:00 AM. The Act of Contrition should be known perfectly.

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## **Confirmation Celebration**

The latest re-instatement of various measures to counter the Coronavirus outbreak is extremely unfortunate but, according to the NSW Department of Health, so very necessary. The thoughts and prayers of parishioners from both our parishes are with the children and their families at this time. May the Holy Spirit bring great blessings upon those children who will soon be confirmed. The Bishop has advised that you may use a phone from your seat to video the Confirmation, however you may not move from your seats. Please be respectful of the ceremony in this regard.

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## Lightbulb Moment



If you normally attend one of the Saturday evening vigils at Camden, then that's not possible on this Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June because of Confirmations. So why not visit Oakdale? Father Victor will be the celebrant. Church is behind shops and across the road from the local government school.

# **Confirmation Weekend 26/27 June 2021**

| Parish Masses      |                    |                                |                     |  |  |  |  |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Saturday 26        | th                 | Celebrant                      | Musician/Vocalists  |  |  |  |  |
| Camden<br>Oakdale  | 9:00 AM<br>5:00 PM | Father Victor<br>Father Victor | Quiet Mass<br>Tracy |  |  |  |  |
| Sunday 27th        |                    |                                |                     |  |  |  |  |
| Camden<br>The Oaks | 7:30 AM<br>9:00 AM | Father Victor<br>Father Victor | Cheryl<br>Nicole    |  |  |  |  |
| Camden             | 9:00 AM            | Father Michael                 | Trent               |  |  |  |  |
| Camden             | 5:00 PM            | Father Victor                  | Craig               |  |  |  |  |

## **Confirmation Ceremonies and Masses**

| Saturday 26th |          | Celebrant    | Musician/Vocalists |  |  |  |
|---------------|----------|--------------|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Ceremony      | 1:00 PM  | Bishop Brian | Craig and mates    |  |  |  |
| Ceremony      | 3:00 PM  | Bishop Brian | Ilona and Tasha    |  |  |  |
| Mass          | 5:00 PM  | Bishop Brian | Maria and Tasha    |  |  |  |
| Sunday 27th   |          |              |                    |  |  |  |
| Camden        | 10:30 AM | Bishop Brian | Choir              |  |  |  |
| Camden        | 1:00 PM  | Bishop Brian | Choir              |  |  |  |

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 3rd/4th July 2021

| Saturday           |                     | Celebrant                        | Musician/Vocalists            |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Camden             | 9:00 AM             | Father Michael                   | Quiet Mass                    |
| Camden<br>Camden   | 4:30 PM<br>6:00 PM  | Father Victor<br>Father Victor   | Quiet Mass<br>Belinda and Jen |
| Oakdale            | 5:00 PM             | Father Michael                   | Tracy                         |
| Sunday             |                     |                                  |                               |
| Camden<br>The Oaks | 7:30 AM<br>9:00 AM  | Father Michael<br>Father Michael | Maria C.<br>Nicole            |
| Camden<br>Camden   | 9:00 AM<br>10:30 AM | Father Victor<br>Father Victor   | Choir<br>Darko                |
| Camden             | 5:00 PM             | Father Michael                   | Jenny and Tasha               |

Kind Regards

Father Michael