

St. Joseph's Catholic Church Oatley

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Schedule of Masses		Baptisms	By appointment (usually Sunday, 11am)
Saturday	5 pm (Vigil for Sunday)		
Sunday	8 am, 10 am		
Monday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	Confessions	Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm
Tuesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
Wednesday	8am (Rosary 7.45)	Exposition	Thursday, 9am to 11:45am (with benediction at 11:30am)
Thursday	12 Noon (Rosary 11.45)		
Friday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
Saturday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		

27th August – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr Paul will be on holidays from Monday 21th August to Monday 4th September.
Fr Pat Keenan will be supplying.

Masses and Prayers: Frank Toohey (rec dec), Sophia Pak (rec dec), Roma Carlton (ann.29/8), Judith Byers (ann.3/9), Beryl Croot (ann.19/8), Gloria Stonebridge (ann.28/8), Domenica Puopolo (ann.3/9), Catherine Kennedy (31/8), Ante Dragovcic (ann.21/8), Ivan Dragovcic (ann.5/8), Margaret Johanna McMillan (ann.15/8), Giovanna DeGabriele (ann.), William Geaney (ann.22/8), Betty Elphick (ann.25/8), Giuseppe Calligaro (ann.24/8), deceased members of CWL, and those who are sick, including, Terri & Chris Sarno, Marcella Hill, Carole Tesoriero .

21st Sunday in Ord Time

Jesus confronts his disciples with two big questions. "Who do people say the Son of Man is? And they said "Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." "But you", he said "who do you say I am?" Peter 's response. "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Finally, the disciples begin a new journey with this recognition and Jesus begins to prepare them to take the reins of the Church.

We all know Peter's answer, but to fully embrace the truth of that answer, we cannot let it sit there. St. Gerard Brennan, former Chief Justice of Australia stated in 1999:

"The Australian Church is our Church, our responsibility, our beloved home. In that context, egalitarianism means that, while Bishops, Priests and People have different functions to perform, each has an equal responsibility for, and an equal right to, performance of those functions. Tolerance requires that we understand that the Church, Divine in origin, depends on humans to perform their several functions and we must accept the failures and the shortcomings of ourselves and others, keeping our minds and hearts on Him who is our end and purpose."

The Propagation of the Faith Appeal will be conducted in the parish on the weekend 2nd and 3rd September. Fr Erasmus, a mission priest from Ghana, will be celebrating the 3 Masses on that weekend.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on Sunday 17th September over 2 sessions at 1.30pm and 4pm, by Bishop Richard Umbers.

Second Class: **Saturday, 26th August at 3.30pm**

Third Class : **Saturday, 2nd September at 3.30pm**

Fourth Class: **Saturday, 9th September at 3pm** (At this last class , Bishop Umbers will be visiting the children). If you need forms check the website: <http://www.stjosephschurch.com.au>

Marriage Week 10 to16 September. enquiries@marriageweek.org.au

Marriage, the unique relationship between man and woman is important to God. "As the Scriptures say, "A man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one." This is a great mystery, but it is an illustration of the way Christ and the church are one." Ephesians 5:31-2

Collections Last Week

1st: \$849	2nd: \$720	Envelopes: \$1918
Money Counters Roster	Sun 29 Aug	Leanne Graham Lisa Parry
	Sun 5 Sept	Brian & Marcia Smith

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens
Sat 26 Aug 5pm	Sam Attard	Darren McDowel	Anna C Chloe R	Bill Quigley
Sun 27 Aug 8am	Anne Lee	Sandra Soldo	Luke & Marc S	Seb Arena
Sun 27 Aug 10am	Joe Shakkal	Ana Simurina	Rory & Luke G	David Lee
Sat 2 Sept 5pm	Danny Clark	Lewis DeGabriele	Bridget C Beth J	Brian Smith
Sun 3 Sept 8am	Tom Ryan	Chris' Mitchell	Luke & Emma D	Mark Shad
Sun 3 Sept 10am	Phillip Merrick	George Novak	Anthony A Ross G	Maureen Owens
Children's Liturgy		Rosary Leader	Altar Society	
Sun 27 Aug	Natalie Greguric	Marcia Smith	Marcia Smith	Joan Gilmore
Sun 3 Sept	Angela Nadile	Lewis DeGabriele	Susan Canham	Angela Nadile