

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)	Confessions	Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm
Sunday	8 am, 10 am		
Monday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	Exposition	Thursday, 9am to 11:45am (with benediction at 11:30am)
Tuesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
Wednesday	8am (rosary 7.45)		
Thursday	12 Noon (Rosary 11.45)		
Friday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
Saturday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		

12th March 2017, 2nd Sunday of Lent

Masses and Prayers: Albert Hofman (rec dec), Betty Way (ann.2/3) Patricia Harrison (ann.10/3), Jannette Battikha (ann.15/3), Marie Miller (ann.17/3), Mary Shelton (ann.16/3), Marie Basquil (ann.16/3), deceased members of CWL, and those who are sick, including, Lucy McCallum, Terri & Chris Sarno, Marcella Hill, Carole Tesoriero and Patricia Dolan . Pray for Danielle & Martin and all couples.

Lenten Rosary Intention

Each weekday before the daily Mass the Rosary is recited by the Parishioners. During the Lenten period, the intention will be **For Justice and healing of victims of abuse, and their families.**

Stations of the Cross devotions will be held every Friday evening in the Church commencing at 7pm. In this devotion, we are walking with Jesus the Way of the Cross, and showing our willingness to follow in his footsteps.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Like many other women in Timor-Leste, Martina was driven from her home by domestic violence. Facing poverty and an uncertain future, she sought refuge at Uma PAS shelter, a partner in Caritas Australia's Protection Program in Timor-Leste. The program connected her with livelihood training opportunities, offering economic empowerment, the chance to afford education for her children, and a safe life in a supportive community.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2017 and help empower women in Timor-Leste to recover from domestic violence, develop sustainable livelihoods, and lead a life of dignity.

REFLECTION

During these early weeks of Lent, we hear of Spirit, wilderness, temptation, wild beasts, angels, and, in this week in particular, of promise and transfiguration. Our Lenten journey is intended to help us discern what really matters, and to recognise that our responsibility for others goes beyond our immediate community. Our God on Mount Tabor who sends His beloved Son "not to be served but to serve" invites us on the Son's journey to transform the world through the

sacrifices of our daily life. We gain strength through our Lenten observance of **Penance, Prayer, Self-Denial, and Almsgiving.**

Have you been to Confession yet for Lent?

Starting on Wednesday 8th March, during Lent, there will be five **Lenten Discussion Meetings** in the Marion Hall, every Wednesday at 10.30am.

On Saturday 25/3 and Sunday 26/3 after each Mass we will be selling the famous CHOCOLATE PASCHAL LAMBS that have become a feature of Easter. We will also have a small quantity of white chocolate lambs as well. The cost is \$8.00 and you will be helping the Michaelite Priests. You can order them this weekend. An order List will be in the church foyer.

CWL will hold their next meeting on Saturday next, 18th March at 10 am in the Marian Hall. Ladies interested in finding out more about CWL, please come along.

Bishop Terry Brady invites parishioners to attend the Annual **St Patrick's Day Mass** to be held at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney next Friday 17 March at 10:30am.

Collections Last Week

1st: \$852	2nd: \$496	Envelopes: \$1684
Money Counters Roster	Sun 14 Mar	Vince Elliott Jenny Elliott
	Sun 21 Mar	Brian & Marcia Smith
Project Compassion \$300.00.		

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens
Sat 11 Mar 5pm	Sam Attard	Krystelle Boulos	Bridget C Beth J	Richard McMillan
Sun 12 Mar 8am	Anne Lee	Caroline Dimeo	Emma D Chloe R	Tom Ryan
Sun 12 Mar 10am	Danny Clarke	Francis D'Silva	Bella Andrews Marita B	Maureen Owens
Sat 18 Mar 5pm	Vince Cordi	Lewis DeGabriele	Krystelle & Isabella B	Rafe Kowron
Sun 19 Mar 8am	Tom Ryan	Sandra Soldo	Martha K Anna C	Tom Ryan
Sun 19 Mar 10am	Phillip Merrick	Michael Gleeson	Audrey G Jocelyn H	George Battikha
Children's Liturgy		Rosary Leader	Altar Society	
Sun 12 Mar	Natalia Greguric	Marcia Smith	Wendy Grimes	
Sun 19 Mar	Linda Bleakley	Lewis DeGabriele	Margaret Rayment Kath Richardson	