

St Joseph's Catholic Church Oatley

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St Joseph's Catholic School, Oatley

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Schedule of Masses		Baptisms	By appointment (usually first and third Sunday, 11am)
Saturday	6 pm (Vigil for Sunday)		
Sunday	8 am, 10 am		
Tuesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
Wednesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	Confessions	Saturday 5:00-5:45 pm
Thursday	12 noon (Rosary 11:45)		
Friday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	Exposition	Thursday, 9am to 11:45am (with benediction at 11:40am)
Saturday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		

11 December 2011: Third Sunday of Advent

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Br Paul Leary, cfc, (died 2/12), Aubrey Hill (recently deceased), Boyd Gavin (recently deceased in New Zealand), Patricia Lawler (ann. 6/12), Malcolm Blair (ann. 27/11), Rita Wagstaff (ann. 20/12) and those who are sick or who have asked for or need our prayers, including, Jordan Bailey, Marie McGuinness, Patricia Rohl, Rohan Mullins, Jacqueline Tankey, Jasmine Lloyd, Bill Hargreaves, Andrew Young, Allan Richards and Paul Williams.

Masses this week: The St Joseph's School End of Year Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated at 9.15am this Wednesday 14 December. Everyone is welcome to come. It will replace the 8am Mass on that day.

SVDP Christmas Appeal 2011 Thank You. The Oatley St Vincent de Paul Society Conference thanks everyone who responded most generously to last weekend's parish appeal. Donations so far have totalled almost \$2,00. We thank Father John for making the appeal possible and also the ongoing financial support of our benefactors in the parish. Tax receipts will be issued to those who require them.

Parish Meeting this Sunday: There will be a meeting after 10am Mass this Sunday 11 December. People will have a chance to say what is happening in the Parish and the results of the Parish Survey conducted will be published on the website (click on Parish Pastoral Council tab to view, <http://www.stjosephschurch.com.au/pastoral-council>.) All are invited to attend.

Christmas Carol Service – St Thomas More Church: 298 Bay St, Brighton le Sands. Sunday 18 December 2011 at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join in the spirit of Christmas.

Like to be able to respond to people more pastorally? St Vincent's Hospital is now taking enrolments in its Pastoral Education Programs for 2012. Courses are being conducted over either 19 week semesters or a less intensive program of 40 weeks. For more information contact Jenny on 8382 2119. See notice board for details.

CHRISTMAS AT ST MARY'S 2011 (all welcome, admission free). The Christmas Story - Catholic Students Art Exhibition. Up to 90 inspired artwork pieces showcasing the creative talent of young Catholic students from Years 5 and 6 will be presented in an exhibition – "The

Christmas Story". One artwork will win the Cardinal's trophy. Open to the public Mondays to Friday from 28th November through to December in the Crypt of St Mary's Cathedral. 10am to 4pm. Annual Christmas Carols Service and Readings - Friday, 16 December 7.30pm. The Cathedral's spectacular and renowned Christmas Carols Service and Readings with the St Mary's choir, in the presence of Cardinal Pell. The evening will consist of a rich selection of traditional carols and liturgical Christmas music.

Christmas Liturgical Celebrations at St Joseph's Oatley:

Christmas Eve: (Saturday 24 December)

1. Vigil Mass (especially, but not exclusively, for children) at 7pm, with carols commencing at 6.30pm in the undercroft area of the school.
2. Midnight Mass (carols start at 11.30pm)

Christmas Day: (Saturday 25 December) 9am

1. Christmas Eve 4-5pm

Collections Last Week

1st: \$842	2nd: \$312	Envelopes: \$1,652
Money Counters Roster		
Sun 11 Dec	Margaret Pullen, Lynne Ekholm Margaret Pullen, Leo Sullivan, Kathryn Wojcicki	
Sun 18 Dec		

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens
Sat 10 Dec 6pm	Sam Attard	Carreon Family	Marnie J Chloe B	Bill Quigley
Sun 11 Dec 8am	Ellis Bollard	Susan Canham	Jordan W Astrid W	Mark Shad
Sun 11 Dec 10am	Phillip Merrick	Alex Merrick	Sian A Christie M	Maureen Owens
Sun 17 Dec 6pm	Glenn McLachlan	Kyle McLachlan	Jared M Michael A	John Perkins
Sun 18 Dec 8am	Tom Ryan	Damian Callinan	Niamh C Alexa S	Seb Arena
Sun 18 Dec 10am	Danny Clark	Mirjana Males	Oliver E Andrew C	Richard McMillan
Children's Liturgy		Rosary Leader	Altar Society	
Sun 11 Dec	Alex Merrick, Rosanne McGrath	George Kent	Wendy Grimes, Freda Jenner	
Sun 18 Dec	Sandra Green	Bill Monaghan	Margaret Rayment, Kath Richardson	

Upcoming Parish Events

Dec 11	Sun	11am	Parish Meeting after 10am Mass
Dec 14	Wed	9.15am	End of Year Thanksgiving School Mass – all welcome

