

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	8am (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)		

1 July 2018 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Masses and Prayers, Pietro Convento (ann.8/7), members of CWL, and those who are sick, especially Madeline Binns.

Faith Healing: "Who touched my garments?" asked Our Lord. It must have seemed a strange question to his disciples since plenty of people were crowding round him and brushing his garments. But Christ had a particular touch of faith in mind. This was a touch that drew power out of him and brought about healing. He touched a little child who had died, took her by the hand and once again power is released from him because of the faith of the child's father. On a former occasion we are told that he could not work many miracles in a place because of the lack of faith of the people in the district. Faith creates an opening for the power of God to enter. It is the "open sesame" to death's door. This faith contains the power of resurrection. Faith transforms what is ugly and corrupting into a beauty and a glory beyond imagining. There are those who, like the people in the room of the dead child, laugh at Christ's words and refuse to believe them. They refuse to accept that our life here compared with the future in only like a sleep from which one day we will be awakened by the touch of Our Lord to enjoy eternal bliss. We must be like Peter, James and John who stayed to witness the power of Christ and increased their love and faith in him because of it.

2018 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday: For thousands of years before the arrival of Western settlers in Australia, the sole inhabitants of the land were indigenous people, the Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders. Their ancient heritage forms an essential part of the cultural landscape of modern Australia. Thanks to the Australian Government's courageous decision to acknowledge the injustices committed against the indigenous people in the past, concrete steps are now being taken to achieve reconciliation based on mutual respect. We are seeking to close the gap between indigenous and non-indigenous Australians regarding life expectancy, educational achievement and economic opportunity. This example of reconciliation offer hope to peoples all over the world who long to see their rights affirmed and their contribution to society acknowledged and promoted. (Pope Benedict XVI, World Youth Day2008)

Planned Giving Envelopes for the new financial year commencing on the 1st July are available on the table in foyer of Church. The Archdiocese has notified us that we are able to

offer a 25% tax deduction to those that are in the Planned Giving Envelope system. This is offered to those that either donate through the weekly envelopes in the second collection plate or via direct debit from their nominated credit card. Those who are not yet in the planned giving system but wish to join, please contact the Parish Office for a set of envelopes or direct debit request form. We sincerely thank all who contribute to the financial support of our parish mission through your contributions to the second collection.

2018 Holy Father's Appeal (Peter's Pence) will be made this weekend.

SILVER CIRCLE Winners Week 5 1st Prize \$40 No 15 Laurie Richardson
2nd Prize \$10 No 21 Margaret Vella

Life Ascending Australia: Our Church's Healing work in Myanmar.

All Parishioners are invited to attend a presentation by **Kathryn Endicott**, Diocesan Director of Catholic Mission, on what our church is doing to improve the lives of millions of our neighbours-after decades of turmoil and unrest This will take place at St Joseph's Church, 9.30am – 11am on Friday 13 July 2018, (after the 8am Mass and following a light meal in the Marian Hall). Enquiries: John Dolan 9579 3925 or Allan and Irene D'Silva 9594 6095.

St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal: raised \$2345. We sincerely wish to thank you all for your generous donations.

COLLECTIONS & LITURGY ROSTER

1st: \$697	2nd: \$479	Envelopes: \$1454
Money Counters Roster	Sun 3 July Vince & Jenny Elliott	
	Sun 10 July Kathryn Wojcicki Tom Ryan	

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	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens
Sat 30 June 5pm	Sam Attard	Brian & Marcia Smith	Marc & Luke S	Rafe Kowron
Sun 1 July 8am	Anne Lee	Susan Canham	No Altar Servers	Tom Ryan
Sun 1 July 10am	Phillip Merrick	Kyle McLachlan	Anna C Martha K	David Lee
Sat 7 July 5pm	Vince Elliott	Patrick Salonga	TBA	Richard McMillan
Sun 8 July 8am	Tom Ryan	Chris' Mitchell	No Altar Servers	Seb Arena
Sun 8 July 10am	John Romanous	Andrew & Thomas Clark	TBA	Maureen Owens
Children's Liturgy		Rosary Leader	Altar Society	
Sun 1 July	Natalie Greguric	Brian Rayment	Susan Canham Angela Nadile	
Sun 8 July	School Holidays	Marcia Smith	Lynne Ekholm	