

St Joseph's Catholic Church Oatley

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Schedule of Masses		Baptisms	By appointment (usually first and third Sunday, 11am)
Saturday	5 pm (Vigil for Sunday)		
Sunday	8 am, 10 am		
Tuesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
Wednesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	Confessions	Saturday 4:00-4:45 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)		

4 March 2012: Second Sunday of Lent

The Season of Lent

- 1. Project Compassion.** The good news of the Gospel challenges us to change ourselves and our world for the better. Caritas Australia provides a practical realisation of this. Please take the box or envelopes to support Caritas.
- 2. Stations of the Cross and confessions:** We will be having the Stations of the Cross each Friday in Lent at 7pm in the Church, followed by Confessions.

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Fr Gerry Iverson (died 24/2), Fr Atanasio Gonelli OFM Cap (died 26/2), **Eileen Murphy (died 26/2, funeral at St Joseph's Monday 5/3/12)**, Graham Farmer (died 27/2), Mary Eileen Doherty (ann. 28/2), Denise Caramsing (ann. 14/2), Augustine (Gus) and Minnie Jones (ann.), Michael Power (ann. 5/3), David O'Connor (ann. 10/3) and those who are sick or who have asked for or need our prayers, including, Katrina Klepac, Karen Smith and Trevor.

Lost necklace: A necklace was found in the church last weekend. Please contact the presbytery if you think it may be yours.

Vocation Discernment Weekend: Retreat weekend to assist men open to the possibility that God may be calling them to the Priesthood. For more information please contact the Vocation Centre on 9390 5970 or go to www.vocationcentre.org.au

A Vocation View: "Dear young people, if the Lord calls you to live more intimately at His service, respond generously. You may be certain that life dedicated to God is never spent in vain" (Pope Benedict XV1)

Life Ascending Australia, a movement for seniors promoting friendship, spirituality and service, will meet in the Marian Hall at 10am on Friday February 10. Visitors are always welcome. Enquiries – Ray Byers 9570 3507 ray.byers@bigpond.net.au

Pray to End Abortion: "40 Days for Life" is a world-wide pro-life campaign to pray for an end to abortion. Those who take part agree to pray peacefully outside an abortuary where unborn

babies are killed. Having started on Ash Wednesday, the vigil will conclude on Palm Sunday. The vigil will be held between 6am to 8pm daily outside the Preterm abortion mill, (1 Randle Street, Surry Hills). Visit www.40daysforlife.com/sydney for information, to register online and volunteer to participate.

Reasons for Hope, a retreat for people aged 15-35, is being held from March 16-18 at Chittick Lodge, Gerringong. The weekend includes time for prayer, sports, talks, entertainment and the chance to enjoy great company. Please pick up a flyer from the church foyer or head to www.reasonsforhope.net.au for more information and registration details.

Xt3 2012 Online Lenten Calendar: Xt3.com has launched its annual Lenten Calendar for 2012! The Xt3 Lenten Calendar is a Catholic resource suited for youth groups, parishes, schools, or for one's personal Lenten journey. Each day you will be provided with a new multi-media feature, including the daily mass readings, scripture quotes, and more. The 2012 Lenten Calendar is available online at www.xt3.com/lent

2012 Vigil Mass Time Change: The Vigil Mass is now celebrated at 5pm on Saturday. Confessions are from 4.00 – 4.45pm.

Collections Last Week

1st: \$775	2nd: \$308	Envelopes: \$1,205
Money Counters Roster	Sun 4 Mar Sun 11 Mar	Margaret Pullen, Vince Elliott, Jenny Elliott Margaret Pullen, Vesna Zuvic, Anna Merrick

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens
Sat 3 Mar 5pm	Phillip Merrick	Jamie Dimeo	Melissa D Luke D	Rafe Kowron
Sun 4 Mar 8am	Shirley Quinlan	Susan Canham	Michael A Jordan W	Mark Shad
Sun 4 Mar 10am	Joe Shakkal	Mirjana Males	Chloe Bush Martina Miller	Maureen Owens
Sat 10 Mar 5pm	Sam Attard	Chris/Chris Mitchell	Isabella Turner Marnie Joseph	Paul Doepel
Sun 11 Mar 8am	Ellis Bollard	Kyle McLachlan	Thomas K Patrick K	Seb Arena
Sun 11 Mar 10am	Danny Clark	Gerry Mahony	Talan M Lavinia M	John Perkins
Children's Liturgy		Rosary Leader	Altar Society	
Sun 4 Mar	Sandra Green	Angelina Trimboli	Margaret Pullen, Susan Canham	
Sun 11 Mar	Alicia Moore	Bill Monaghan	Wendy Grimes, Freda Jenner	

Upcoming Parish Events

Mar 20	Tue	9.15am	St Joseph's Day School Mass
Apr 5	Thu	10.30am	Chrism Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, all welcome.

