

## 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)
<b>Saturday</b>	6 pm (Vigil for Sunday)		
<b>Sunday</b>	8 am, 10 am		
<b>Tuesday</b>	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
<b>Wednesday</b>	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	<b>Confessions</b>	Saturday 5:00-5:45 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	12 noon (Rosary 11:45)		
<b>Friday</b>	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	<b>Exposition</b>	Thursday, 9am to 11:45am (with benediction at 11:40am)
<b>Saturday</b>	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		

## 12 December 2010: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent

**Masses and prayers:** Please pray for Henry Pegg (ann. 8/12), Paul Pullen (10/12), Brian Jackson (ann. 15/12) and those who are sick or who have asked for or need our prayers, including Charlotte Wyse and Andrew.

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

**Parish Vocations Coordinator Position:** One of the initiatives being promoted by the Archdiocese and Vocation Centre is the idea of each parish having a vocations coordinator to liaise with the Vocation Centre on behalf of the Parish to promote vocations. I am happy to announce that Mr John Dolan has accepted to be our Parish Vocations Coordinator.

**Public Meeting on Marriage:** You are warmly invited to attend a public meeting on marriage at the Mortdale RSL Community Club, 25 Macquarie Place, Mortdale, on Wednesday, 15 December at 7.00 pm. Mr Daryl Melham MP and other Members of Parliament will be attending. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has recently asked Catholics to express our views to our parliamentary representatives on the importance of marriage remaining a union between a man and a woman. This public meeting is non-party political and will be a positive opportunity to show your support for marriage. For further inquiries please contact Mary Joseph on 9390 5283 or [mary.joseph@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:mary.joseph@sydneycatholic.org) or visit our website [stjosephschurch.com.au](http://stjosephschurch.com.au) and click on 'Parish Bulletins' tab to access information.

**A big thank you** from Sr Helen Saunders to all those parishioners who have supplied used stamps over the year. Another wonderful effort – we raised over \$6,000 for the Mission of the Sisters of St Joseph in Peru. This money will be used to support some of the poorest people in Peru.

**Australian Catholic University (ACU) Course Information Session** will be held on Wednesday 5 January 2011 at ACU, Strathfield Campus, 25A Barker Rd, Strathfield and ACU, North Sydney Campus, 40 Edward St, North Sydney from 9am to 4pm. ACU offers courses in the fields of Arts and Sciences, Business, Education, Health Sciences, Social Sciences,

Theology and Philosophy. For detailed program information or to register for the session please visit [www.acu.edu.au](http://www.acu.edu.au)

## Christmas Liturgical Celebrations at St Joseph's Oatley:

**Christmas Eve:** (Friday 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

**Christmas Night:** 6pm (This is the vigil for the Sunday Feast of the Holy Family. This Mass will also satisfy the obligation for Christmas Day)

**Boxing Day:** (Sunday 26 December)

1. 8am Mass
2. 10am Mass

**Confessions:** Christmas Eve 4-5pm

**No Confessions** on Saturday afternoon

### Collections Last Week

1st: \$706	2nd: \$370	Envelopes: \$1,146
Money Counters Roster		
Sun 12 Dec Sun 19 Dec	Margaret Pullen, Vesna Zuvic, Anna Merrick Margaret Pullen, Vince Elliott, Jenny Elliott	

### Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens
Sat 11 Dec 6pm	Glenn McLachlan	Carmel Bollard	Hayden M Christie M	Rafe Kowron
Sun 12 Dec 8am	Shirley Quinlan	Brian/Marcia Smith	Angus M Jonathan L	Tom Ryan
Sun 12 Dec 10am	Danny Clark	Bronte Horder	Conor M Sara A	Maureen Owens
Sat 18 Dec 6pm	Sam Attard	Jean Devine	Melissa D Lilie J	Paul Doepel
Sun 19 Dec 8am	Ellis Bollard	Susan Canham	Gabrielle L Niamh C	Mark Shad
Sun 19 Dec 10am	Rod West	Thomas Merrick	Emma B Nathaniel G	John Perkins
Children's Liturgy		Weekday Rosary Leader	Altar Society	
Sun 12 Dec	Linda Bleakley	Willy Van Wanrooy	Wendy Grimes, Freda Jenner	
Sun 19 Dec	No Liturgy – School Holidays	George Kent	Margaret Rayment, Kath Richardson, Pat Doepel	

