

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		
Tuesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)	Confessions	Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm
Wednesday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
Thursday	12 noon (Rosary 11:45)	Exposition	Thursday, 9am to 11:45am (with benediction at 11:40am)
Friday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		
Saturday	8 am (Rosary 7:45)		

21 December 2014: Fourth Sunday of Advent

Masses and prayers: Please pray for Giuseppe Talarico (died 22/11, 30th day anniversary 21 Dec), Charles Attard (ann. 25/12), Ursula Wyatt, Annie Gilmore, John Wyatt, Henry Gilmore, Doris Attard (ann. 27/12), Marie McCarthy (ann. 25/12), Betty Beath (ann. 21/12), Margaret Pullen (ann. 26/12) and those who are sick or who need our prayers including Shirley Quinlan, Kim Sobb, Tony Smith and Sharon Pak.

Matthew Powell, a second year seminarian for the Archdiocese of Sydney, has been staying in the parish since 8 December and will be here until Christmas Day gaining parish experience. We welcome Matthew and thank him for his wonderful sharing at last weekend's Masses about his faith journey and his vocation. Matthew's brief stay has been a blessing for the parish.

Our new Christmas Crib was lovingly made by Allan and Irene De Silva with assistance from Sam Attard. Many thanks to Allan, Irene and Sam for this beautiful Crib.

St Mary's Cathedral – Lights of Christmas 2014. The unique and spectacular Lights of Christmas at St Mary's Cathedral which was launched on 9 December will run through to and including Christmas Day night. Each night there will be music entertainment before the projections begin at 8.30pm and go to midnight. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Sydney the presenting partner this year is PAYCE and the theme is service – giving what we can to our family, friends and the community. Bring your family and friends to Cathedral Square for a free stunning display of laser lights and the true meaning of Christmas.

Notre Dame University Course Information Day will be held on Tuesday 6 January 2015 from 9.00am – 3.00pm at the University's campus on Broadway. Apply on the Course Information Day or at notredame.edu.au as applications for 2015 are still open. Registrations to attend Course Information Day are encouraged. To register and for more information visit www.nd.edu.au/events/sydney.

ACBC Pastoral Research Office E-News Bulletin. A regular bulletin profiling interesting data about Catholic life in Australia. Edition #18 features Catholics and the Environment and is now available. Anyone interested in receiving this newsletter please contact the Pastoral Research Office via email: office@pro.catholic.org.au or on 03 9953 3457.

Christmas Liturgical Celebrations at St Joseph's Oatley:

Christmas Eve: (Wednesday, 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: (Thursday 25 December) 9am only

Confessions: Christmas Eve 4-5pm

New Year's Day: (Thursday, 1 January) 9am only

Collections Last Week

1st: \$778	2nd: \$408	Envelopes: \$1,484
Money Counters Roster	Sun 21 Dec	Marcia Smith, Brian Smith
	Sun 28 Dec	Vince Elliott, Jenny Elliott (also Christmas Day Count)

Parish Liturgy Roster

	Acolytes and Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	Mass Wardens
Sat 20 Dec 5pm	Phillip Merrick	Lewis Degabriele	David C Luke M	Paul Doepel
Sun 21 Dec 8am	Tom Ryan	Damian/Niamh Callinan	Nicholas K Justin C	Mark Shad
Sun 21 Dec 10am	Vince Cordi	Talarico Family	Isabella B Krystelle B	George Battikha
Wed 24 Dec 7pm Christmas Eve	Glenn McLachlan, Joe Shakkal Phillip Merrick	TBA	George B Matthew V Mitchell B	TBA
Thu 25 Dec Christmas Midnight	Phillip Merrick	TBA	Thomas M Alex M	TBA
Thu 25 Dec 9am Christmas Day	Vince Cordi	TBA	Justin C Audrey G Ross G	TBA
Sat 27 Dec 5pm	Glenn McLachlan	Carreon Family	Thomas C Kyler I Xavier I	Rafe Kowron
Sun 28 Dec 8am	Anne Lee	Jean Devine	Claudia V Alessia C	Seb Arena
Sun 28 Dec 10am	Joe Shakkal	Ana Simurina	Joseph P Mitchell L	Lewis Degabriele
Children's Liturgy		Rosary Leader	Altar Society	
Sun 21 Dec	No Liturgy in School Holidays	George Kent	Margaret Rayment, Kath Richardson	
Sun 28 Dec	No Liturgy in School Holidays	Angelina Trimboli	Marcia Smith, Joan Gilmore	

