St. Joseph’s Catholic Church Oatley

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St. Joseph’s Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil**: 5.00 pm **Sunday:** 8 am and 10 am

**Weekday Masses**: at 8 am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday

**Thursday:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 11 am and

Mass at 12 md

**Public Holidays:** 9 am only

Confessions are available before the 5 pm Vigil Mass (4 pm to 4.45 pm)

30th May 2021 – The Most Holy Trinity.

**GOD AND OURSELVES:** We believe as Christians that we meet God in three relationships, each of which is personal; each of which is a relationship of love. We meet God as our Father who created us out of love and keeps us in being because he wants a response of love from us. We meet his Son, Jesus Christ, who is both God and man, who lived and died and rose again out of love for us to save us from evil. We meet God also in his Spirit who gives us strength and courage to face the challenge of life. We meet all three persons in the inner sanctuary of our being as St. Paul tells us: *Do you not know that you are the temple of God and the Spirit of God dwells within you?* It is the in these three relationships that we think of the Trinity. We do not think of them as three dictators sitting on three different thrones; they form one God, not three, but they differ in their relationships with us.

 It was Christ who revealed to us the love of the Father and the Spirit and his own abiding love for us. Christ was appointed the official interpreter of God on earth. Love is the mainspring of existence and the New Testament tells us that God is love. We can understand something of the workings of this love in our lives and how that love has shown itself in history revealing itself both in divine action and suffering. All three persons are involved in our world; all had their part to play in the work of our redemption; all continue to act in our interests today. Christ’s teaching about the nature of God gives warmth and beauty to the whole of life. It shows us a God who is not cold and distant, like the God of the philosophers, but a God who takes an interest in every individual life as Father, redeemer and spiritual guide and comforter.

**Masses for the Deceased:**

Dr Mark Anthony Carlton, recently deceased. Cardinal Edward Edris Cassidy, recently deceased. Mary Whitwell, recently deceased.

Dawn Gates,Brian Rayment, Kerry Ryan, Shirley Clare,Father Michael McCarthy (former Parish Priest of Oatley), Lucy McCallum, Frances Canham, Helen Wright, anniversaries, Lucia and Giovanni Tesoriero, Rosena and Salvatore Trimboli, Christopher Trimboli, Cecilia Kramar.

**Fr. Paul’s Holidays:** I will be on annual leave from the 18th to the 28th of May. During that time there will be no weekday Masses in the parish until Tuesday, 1st June. I will return for the Weekend Masses on 29th/30th May. During my absence, Father Peter Gardner CP (an old boy of the parish) will attend to the Masses on the weekend 22nd and 23rd May (Pentecost).

**The Parish now has the facility to stream our Sunday Masses:** You can access this on YouTube by following this link:

 [bit.ly/stjoatley](http://bit.ly/stjoatley) or

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**You can also access it by going to the Archdiocese of Sydney website where there is a list of Churches who stream their Masses each week. Just click on the link for St. Joseph’s Parish, Oatley.**

**Sacramental Program for 2021:** Please visit the Parish website: [www.stjosephschurch.com.au](http://www.stjosephschurch.com.au)

**Imposition of restrictions concerning Churches**: From Friday, 12th February, an unlimited number of people can attend Mass, provided that the one person per 2 metre square rule is observed. However, our Church will only hold at least eighty according to this regulation, any overflow would have to be accommodated in the Marion Hall where the Mass can be viewed on the TV monitor. Because of the easing of the restrictions, the Archbishop has lifted the dispensation from our Sunday Mass obligation. ***Parishioners are once again obliged******to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation when this is reasonably*** ***possible.*** Those of great age, have health conditions or are otherwise anxious about the risks of Covid19 are free to remain at home and find another way of keeping the Sabbath holy. There is still the requirement of taking names and contact details of attendees. The use of a QR code is recommended for those with iPhones or smart phones. The NSW Services app would need to be install on your phone to access the code. The first time you use the code, it will ask you to provide your name and contact number. It will then send you a code to enter with your details and the app will then be active. It is then used every time you attend Mass, or when and where you visit other venues that have a QR code registration system in place.

The wearing of masks is no longer mandatory, but strongly recommended where social distancing is not possible.

Parishioners who elect to attend Mass during the pandemic should consider the safety of other parishioners by staying away if they are unwell, and if so, getting tested and self-isolating while awaiting the results. It is also advisable that parishioners only attend Mass in their own parish and not move from parish to parish.

Confessions are available before the 5 pm Vigil Mass (4 pm to 4.45 pm).

The need is acute!

Low-income communities are not asking us for money or gifts. They reject degrading dependence. They want you to share your skills to help develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. The call is to all trades and professions to assist build the ability of their people and the capacity of their organisations. To properly prepare for a 2022 placement you do need to [enquire now](https://palms.org.au/assignments-abroad/).

**Visit** [**palms.org.au**](http://www.palms.org.au/) **, call Palms on 02 9560 5333 or email** **palms@palms.org.au**



**PLANNED GIVING: Your contribution to the 2nd collection goes towards the running and upkeep of our parish, and 30% of what you donate is eligible for a tax deduction.**

**TAX RECEIPTS for 2019-2020 are now available, if you wish to receive a tax receipt please email:** **oatleycc@bigpond.net.au**

**New Contributors: Please refer to the planned giving form, which can be accessed on the website under DONATIONS, if you wish to become part of our regularly giving programme at St Joseph’s Parish Oatley. Upon completion of the form please email to** **oatleycc@bigpond net.au**

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***Thank you for contributing to St. Joseph’s Parish. I am very appreciative of your ongoing generosity and commitment to support our Parish in achieving its Pastoral Mission and meeting ongoing expenses. Fr. Paul.***

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**THE INTRODUCTORY RITES**

**Entrance Procession**

***Blest be God the Father,***

***and the Only Begotten Son of God,***

***and also the Holy Spirit,***

***for he has shown us his merciful love.***

**Penitential Act**

I confess to almighty God

and to you, my brothers and sisters,

that I have greatly sinned,

in my thoughts and in my words,

in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

through my fault, through my fault,

through my most grievous fault;

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,

all the Angels and Saints,

and you, my brothers and sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins,

and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Lord, have mercy.  **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

**Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,

we bless you,

we adore you,

we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

**Collect**

Let us pray.

God our Father, who by sending into the world

the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification

made known to the human race your wondrous mystery,

grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith,

we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory

and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD** (Refer to your Sunday Missal or Liturgy Sheet)

**PROFESSION OF FAITH (Nicene Creed)**

I believe in one God,

the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the Only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day

in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**UNIVERSAL PRAYER FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY TRINITY**

 ***My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, through the grace of the Son, we learn of the love of the Father, and are drawn into the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. Through the Son, we come to the Father with prayers inspired by the Spirit.***

1. For the Church, called to the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ: May all who share one baptism find communion in the Holy Spirit. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
2. For this world: May it be saved through the Son sent by the Father. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
3. For those who direct human society and frame our laws may submit to the commandments of God. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
4. For married couples, for parents and children, for those who live in religious or service communities: May their love and respect for one another reflect the life of the Triune God. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
5. That through new evangelization, we may bring lapsed and lukewarm Catholics, back to the regular practice of the faith, and non-believers to faith and baptism in our community. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
6. For the sick and suffering members of our community: May our care and concern be for them a healing communion. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
7. For all the dead whose lives were sealed with the sign of the Trinity: May God receive them into the heritage of all the saints. *Let us pray to the Lord.*
8. For greater devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Consolation of the Afflicted. **HAIL MARY.**

 ***Eternal Father, receive the prayers of this people, filled with the Holy Spirit, offering, in him, your only Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. AMEN.***

**Pope Francis Prayer for protection from Coronavirus**

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you. Health of the sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus’ pain, with steadfast faith. You, our Salvation, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father’s will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the Joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

**Our Spiritual Communion**

***My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.***

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be *etc.*

**Communion Antiphon**

***Since you are children of God,***

***God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son,***

***the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.***

**Prayer after Communion**

Let us pray.

May receiving this Sacrament, O Lord our God,

bring us health of body and soul,

as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and undivided Unity.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**BLESSING**

May the Lord bless us and keep us

May he let his face shine upon us

and show us his mercy.

May he turn his countenance towards us

and give us his peace.

And may Almighty God bless us all, in the name of the Father, and of Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***Let us praise the Lord and glorify him in our lives.*** Thanks be to God.

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