

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Deceased: Michelle S;

Anniversary: Ian John Johnston; Emma Abellana; Kai Simonsen; Per Simonsen;

Deceased: Oreste & Gaetana Meli;

Baptism: Magnolia Lucie Le-Choong; Lewis Brodie Oakes; Addison Marie Salvaggio; Luca John Salvaggio;

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED PRIESTHOOD Peter, who once denied even knowing Jesus, now boldly preaches in His Name. Do not let past weaknesses hold you back from being willing to share the power of His Message. (Acts 3:13-15,17-19) If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au If you want to talk about your discernment, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au

LIVESTREAM MASS Tuesday 6.30 pm weekday Mass. Access it from the Parish Website or Parish App or the Parish YouTube channel at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIQhkeubtYCBu_elfcglmaw

HOLY COMMUNION Please remember that when receiving Holy Communion, you must consume the Sacred Host immediately while facing the Altar, and NOT while walking way or returning to your seat. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS to Victoria and Colin Stuart who celebrate the 40th (ruby) Anniversary of their marriage. May God continue to bless you and nourish you in your Sacrament of Matrimony.

EASTER WATER You are welcome to take some Easter Holy Water from the container near the Baptism Font. BYO bottle. Note: Just push the round button on the front to release water. Do NOT TWIST OR TURN TAP please.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES Please return these to the church in the container at the Notice Board, or to the parish office. Thank you.

PASCHAL PRECEPT Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday (11 February) and Trinity Sunday (26 May) unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Following our Parish Retreat Evenings held last year, and after discussion with the current PPC, we will be moving forward by using the Bishop’s document, “Come and See, Go and Make” as a guide for our future direction. To commence this process, I am inviting any interested parishioners to attend a series of six (6) sessions that will work through this document. At the conclusion of these evenings, I will appoint a new PPC from among those attending. The sessions will be held on **Fridays: 15 & 22 March; 5, 12, 19 & 26 April, from 7.30 – 8.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room** adjacent to the parish office. Please ring the Parish Office if attending so we have an idea of numbers please.

CATHOLIC CARE'S AGEING WITH CONFIDENCE FORUM is returning to Campbelltown on **Wednesday 8th May at Campbelltown Catholic Club** (20/22 Camden Road, Campbelltown) at **9am-1pm**. This half-day information session provides seniors with practical information on the aged care system and healthy ageing, with presentations from CatholicCare staff, Seniors Rights Services NSW and NSW Fire & Resue Service. Places are limited. To register, call 02 4227 1122 or visit www.catholiccare.dow.org.au/events

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENT 2025 Applications for Kinder 2025 can now be located on our school website at: <https://olhcdow.catholic.edu.au/enrol/> You will be contacted for an interview with Fr Sarkis and Mrs Webb early next term. Please let family and friends know that **enrolment applications are now open and are due by Thursday 11th April 2024**. Children need to turn five (5) by July of the year that they will commence school.

FREE CATHOLIC PODCASTS Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins. At: www.ascensionpress.com/biy Catechism in a Year at www.ascensionpress.com/ciy Highly recommended.

CUPPA AFTER MASS. Take the opportunity to meet fellow parishioners over a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit after the 10am Mass all are welcome. We are also looking for more volunteers so please contact Ryan on 0412 939 705 if you are interested (would be no more than one morning per month). Thank you.



The disciples in today’s Gospel came to know Jesus in the breaking of the bread. When we share what we have with those who are in need, we, too, will discover Jesus in our midst.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024 This Sacrament will be celebrated on **Saturday 1st June 2024**. It is available to all children who are in Year 6 or above and have made their First Communion. If you wish your child to receive this Sacrament you **MUST** attend the first lesson for this programme on **Saturday 4th May 2024 commencing at 4.15p.m.** Please bring a photocopy of your child’s full birth certificate, and if they were not baptised in Rosemeadow Parish, a copy of their baptism certificate. Children will participate in lessons in the St. Joachim Parish Hall. This is the last opportunity for you to enrol for 2024. The programme fee of \$25 is also payable at the first lesson. **NOTE:** If you will be enrolling at the first lesson, then please arrive at **3.45pm to the Parish Hall before the lesson** to complete the paperwork. Thank you.

CATECHIST TRAINING COURSE LEVEL 2 for SRE Teachers and Helpers to take their knowledge of teaching and the Catholic Faith deeper. Six Weeks. Mondays commencing 29 April– Wollongong – Xavier Centre (36 Harbour St, Wollongong) Fridays commencing 3 May – Campbelltown – Emmaus Centre (Suite 3.01, Building B, Level, 3, 4 Hyde Parade, Campbelltown). Time: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Enquiries / Registration to Sue Clark- Office: 4222 2416; Mobile: 0457 427 583. Email: support@ccdwoollongong.com

OLHC YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT CHOIR St Augustine said “to sing is to pray twice”. Dear youth/ young adults, you are warmly invited to join the new Youth Choir at OLHC Parish. Come and share your talents, whether it be an instrument or your voice, a beginner or a seasoned musician, all are welcome. Together, led by a great team, let's raise our community in praise and worship. For any questions or to register please contact Chris or Candice on +61 431 861 472. We look forward to hearing from you,

PENTECOST INTENSIVE RETREAT 17 - 22 May @ Carmel House, Varroville. Join the MGL Sisters as we discover the depths of God's love through our Banquet Intensive and accept the invitation to radical intimacy with the Trinity. Discover the charismatic generosity of God in your own life of mission and discipleship. Enquiries: mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com Registrations: <http://www.trybooking.com/CNSXA>

COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKERS CatholicCare is seeking Community Support Workers. It will give you a career that you love, whilst providing a valuable connection to people living with a disability or the aged in our Diocese. Information at: catholiccare.dow.org.au/get-involved/careers/ or call 4227 1122.

RESTORE PALLIATIVE CARE FUNDING In the last State budget, \$150 million was slashed from palliative care, contradicting guarantees made at the time of the passing of new laws for Euthanasia. No one should be pushed into euthanasia because of funding issues. We need to urgently stand up for the sanctity of human life by objecting to these cuts. Please sign this petition and invite friends and family to do the same <https://bit.ly/restorethefunding>

CATHOLIC FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND Fri 17 – Sun 19 March, Guntawang-Wooglemai Catholic Camping Facility, Oakdale. For families of every age, couples with or without children, single parents with their children, grandparents. Cost: \$30 per adult or \$70 per family. Enquiries: Jude Hennessy (02 4222 2407 / jude.hennessy@dow.org.au or [Info - CCFCWeekend](http://Info-CCFCWeekend)

EMMAUS SILENT RETREAT Friday 19 - Sunday 21 April, Varroville. Embark on the sacred journey of the disciples on the road to Emmaus. This retreat is run by the MGL Sisters and is for both men and women; trybooking.com/CNSXX

MEN’S RETREAT A Reflection Day for men at Mt Schoenstatt. 9am – 4pm Saturday, 20 April 2024. What does it mean to be a Schoenstatt Man. Fr Pawel OP. More info: Jim Jankiewicz 0432 487 927 Email: mensbranch@schoenstatt.org.au.

THE CHOSEN Free to view TV series about Jesus, now in its third season, that beautifully and creatively presents the life of Christ and his followers. Go to: watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen or get the free app on your phone / laptop via *The Chosen app (download), or for your Smart TV.*

FAITH CIRCLES is a free weekly resource to help individuals but mainly small groups to come together in Parishes. It assists the development of faith and community, and is available for free to download. It is easy to use with simple questions and prayer points. Download at www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/ or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.

menALIVE reFUEL is a weekly hour-long gathering of men every Tuesday evening at 7.30pm on Zoom providing the chance to catch up with great men from across Australia and New Zealand, gain strength and inspiration by the witness of other men and pray together. Join at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88436558468>

Love gives and serves happily without expecting to be repaid.