



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH

Ouyen, Patchewollock, Tempy, Underbool, Walpeup

Parish Administrator: Fr Anthony Nagothu in Robinvale: (03) 5026 3068

Parish Contact Person: Mrs Faye Nihill 5092 1326

Recent Deaths: Jane Fitzpatrick

Anniversaries: John Bonica

Sick: Susan O'Sullivan, Kate Walsh, Chris Burns, Joan Bathgate, Terri Scott, Mark Weir, Cate Poynton, Josephine Sciberras and Laura Burns.

May our healing God touch the lives of our sick bringing them comfort & peace.

Palm Sunday 28th March – Mass Wk 4

U'Bool: 9:00 am

Ouyen: 11:00 am

Reader: Gerald Leach

Prayers of the Faithful: Louise Fitzpatrick Leach

Offertory Procession: Margaret Collins & Celia Reidy

Projectionist: Marie Shaddock

Easter Sunday 4th April – Mass

Ouyen: 8:30 am

Reader: Carmel Vallance

Prayers of the Faithful: Margaret Collins

Offertory Procession: Cheryl Anderson & Ellen Bonica

Projectionist: Marie Shaddock

Collections: 14. 3. 2021

Ouyen: \$327.75

Planned Giving: \$494.00

Church Cleaning:

March– The Grace family

Presbytery Cleaning:

March– Cheryl Anderson

New Procedures and Precautions for Mass:

- ~Face masks do **not** need to be worn inside at the moment. (Please watch this space)
- ~Hand sanitizer must be used (before signing in)
- ~You will be required to fill in tracing details prior to Mass either with pen and paper or using a smart phone & the **QR tracing available** in a few locations at both doors
- ~Social distancing is now reduced to 1 to 2 square metres (using QR tracing)
- ~The "Sign of Peace" will be via a gesture
- ~Communion is only under one species with only one line for Communion
- ~Seats used in Mass need to be wiped down after Mass.

Parish Masses

Wk 1	Patche (First Friday) Mass 10:00am
	Ouyen Assembly 9:00am Sunday
Wk 2	Ouyen Mass 11:00am Sunday
Wk 3	Ouyen Mass 11:00am Sunday
Wk 4	U'bool Mass 9:00am Sunday
	Ouyen Mass 11:00am Sunday
Wk 5	Ouyen Mass 11:00am Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation is available:

after Mass on the second Sunday of the month, and before Mass (10:40am) on the fourth Sunday of the month; or by appointment with Father.

***Lenten Discussion Group Tuesday at 10:00am.**

Second Rite of Reconciliation Thursday 25th at

4pm, followed by Benediction and Mass at 5pm. The second rite of Reconciliation is a communal liturgy (readings etc) followed by individual confession.

The Good Friday Collection which supports

the Christian people of the Holy Land and provides for the upkeep of the sacred places is in desperate need of your support due to the severe loss of income experienced through COVID. Please read the letter (on the table where you sign in) see where the money goes and seriously consider donating – every little bit helps.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each

Thursday 2pm – 6pm

Catholic women invited to national

consultation Catholic women are invited to participate in a national consultation with two bishops and to mark their diaries for a national gathering in September. The national consultation, which will take place on March 27 via Zoom, invites women to articulate and celebrate their contribution to and vision for the mission of the Catholic Church in Australia. More information available from the diocesan website or <https://mediablog.catholic.org.au/catholic-women-invited-to-national-consultation/>

Year of the Family: Pope Francis launched the "Amoris Laetitia Family Year" on the beauty and joy of love in the family. The year will conclude on June 26, 2022 on the occasion of the 10th World Meeting of Families in Rome with the Holy Father.

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH IS A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Parish Safety Officer: Mrs Marie Shaddock 0417 660 893

March is the Month of St Joseph

Titles of St Joseph: Most Just, Most Chaste, Most Prudent, Most Courageous, Most Obedient, Most Faithful, Mirror of Patience, Lover of Poverty, Model of Workmen, Glory of Domestic Life, Guardian of Virgins, Pillar of Families, Comfort of the Afflicted, Hope of the Sick, Patron of the Dying, Terror of Demons Protector of the Holy Church - Pray for us!

St Joseph is “The Increaser.” He has paternal love for you and the power to increase the presence of God in your life and take you to great heights in your spiritual life.

The Church and the world greatly need St Joseph. We need him to help us return to the love of Jesus and to living lives of virtue. We desperately need St Joseph’s protection as well. The family - the foundation of society - is under attack. The family of God - the Catholic Church - is also undergoing vicious attacks from the world, the flesh, the devil and some of her own children. We need St Joseph to protect us. He is our loving and merciful spiritual father, holy, strong and ready to help. He is forever linked to Jesus, Mary and the Church. He protected the Holy Family; he will protect us too, if we entrust ourselves to his paternal heart and his spiritual care.

Now is the time of St Joseph!

Without exaggeration the church has done more in the last 150 years to promote St Joseph than in the last 1,800 years of Christianity. But why now? Why St Joseph? There are many reasons but there are two that are especially important.

First, we need the spiritual fatherhood of St Joseph to protect marriage and the family. Marriage and the family have always been under attack but in modern times the threats have reached extraordinary heights. Many people no longer know what it means to be a man or a woman, let alone what constitutes a marriage and a family. Many countries even claim to have redefined marriage and the family. There is great confusion on these matters, greater than in any other previous era of human history. The servant of God, Sr Lucia dos Santos, the longest living visionary of the Fatima apparitions, knew the seriousness of the times and made a powerful statement about this issue. She wrote: ***“The final battle between the Lord and the kingdom of Satan will be about marriage and the family.”***

Second, the entire world needs to be re-evangelised, including the vast majority of baptised Christians. St Joseph was the first missionary. Today, he again desires to bring Jesus to the nations. Many nations and cultures that were previously Christian have fallen away from their Christian roots and are on a path of self-destruction. Without a major turnaround, civilisation itself is going to self-destruct. Adapted from: Consecration to St Joseph by *Fr Donald Calloway, MIC*

Holy week and Easter:

Holy Thursday	6pm - 8pm	Passover meal, Reading of the Gospel, Adoration
Good Friday	3pm	The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ
Easter Sunday	8:30 am	Mass



What have you done for your Faith today?