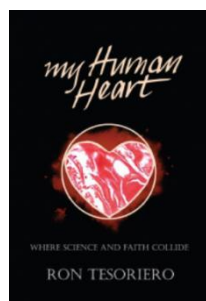


Closure of Sts Peter and Paul's

The temporary closure of The Old Cathedral of St Peter and Paul's will hopefully be of short duration. To date, we can let you know that the closure has been affected by Mould pockets due to the water ingress into the church. As soon as we can let you know what a timeline will be for cleaning and reopening, we will. When we have information to release about the Marian Procession, that will be included in our statement.



Sts Peter and Paul's Feast Day Luncheon



A huge and fond applause to the organising committee for the Sts Peter and Pauls feast day luncheon. Sr Janet Glass,

Michael Lamarra, Sue Everson and Colin Groves. What a powerful gathering highlighting the rich relationship between science and ecclesiastical discovery. A heartfelt thanks to Ron Tesoriero for appearing via video link to reveal his findings and engage in a rigorous Q&A. Well done all Tim for manning the book stall and to the Workers club for hosting!

Feast of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop

A lovely day was had by all who attended the Mary Mackillop Feast Day morning tea. The Weather was wonderful and the company grand to celebrate the life and works of our true Australian saint. Thank you to the organiser's and to all who brought such love and spirit to this cherished day.



God of all blessings,
you revealed in Mary MacKillop a sensitivity to the rights and dignity of every person, regardless of race or creed. May we learn from her to overcome the obstacles of prejudice and fear. Help us to value the goodness of each person and all the blessings of unity in diversity.
We ask this through the depth and unity of you, our bountiful God, who hold all things in being. Amen

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THEFT OF THE PROCESSIONAL CROSS

Recently the Processional Cross from OLOF was strangely removed from the pole. The pole was found but, with regret we have discovered, to the sincere regret of Dean Krebbs, a quarter of the Cross in St Saviours Cathedral. This has affected the decision to change the locks at OLOF. This will happen in mid-August and those people who require access to the Church will apply to the office to be signed off as pin code holders.

GOULBURN MISSION NEWSLETTER

NAIDOC SMOKING CEREMONY



Healing is made real when people come together. We welcomed ex-Cr Walker who served as Deputy Mayor from

2016 to 2018, and served as a Councillor for nine years at the Goulburn Mulwaree Council to perform the NAIDOC WEEK smoking ceremony.



Smoking ceremony is an ancient and contemporary custom among many Indigenous Australian communities that involves smoldering native plants to produce smoke. This herbal smoke is believed to have both spiritual and physical cleansing properties, as well as the ability to ward off bad



spirits. In traditional, spiritual culture, smoking ceremonies are performed

following childbirth or initiation rites. In contemporary culture, elements of smoking ceremonies have been incorporated into Welcome to Country celebrations and other spiritual events held for the general public. For the Gundangara People, whose country includes the Goulburn Mission regions, smoking ceremonies, or Numbuk Yabbun, have traditionally been used to communicate when one was leaving or entering country as well as to provide spiritual cleansing. We celebrate the communion between our children, parishioners and the people of this land. We thank the teachers and Fr Michael for



preparing and celebrating this union and to Alfie Walker for teaching us.

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ST CARLO ACUTIS RELIC



The wonderful Friends of St Carlo Acutis have been 'zooming down the highways of Australia with the message of the "highway to Heaven."'. 'We're the 25th nation to host St Carlo's Major

Pilgrim Relic (from Assisi), and have plenty of visits being scheduled within each of the respective diocese.' We have been lucky enough this week to have the FOCA volunteers visit all the Schools in the Goulburn Mission,



and two of our Churches. OLOF in Goulburn and St Mary's in Crookwell. The students, parishioners, Religious associates and teachers have all been touched by the wonder of

this celebration of the young St Carlo Acutis. We have more than 1800 students with our mission schools, and more than 200 of our parishioners who have taken time to venerate and touch their cards to become 3rd class relics. We are amazed by the wonderful bless and the number of our people who have been touched by the life of St Carlo.



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KAIROS CARE

The Kairos Training hosted by the Parish has been completed. We wish to extend our prayers to the courage and strength of the Kairos Care workers, and thank them for their prayers for us during our current difficulties.

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