

SACRED HEART PARISH, TOOWOOMBA



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26 JULY 2020

17th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Year A

THE SUPREME VALUE OF THE KINGDOM

This Sunday, we are reminded of the unique preciousness of God's Kingdom and of the duty we have to treasure it more than anything else in life. The "Kingdom of God" is essentially God's plan for mankind. To belong to the Kingdom means to accept to collaborate with God in the fulfillment of His plan.

As Jesus taught us, we pray, "Thy will be done on earth as in heaven." We want God to reign in our hearts and in the hearts of all men and women. Peace, love, joy, and justice are the values of God's kingdom. God wants us to live and share these values.

Our Sunday Eucharistic celebration is a constant reminder of the importance of God's Kingdom and a renewed opportunity to make it grow in our hearts and in our parish community.

✘ MASSES, EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS:

Weekend Masses (Hall): Sat evening 6pm; Sunday 9am & **11am**; PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME:
Sunday evening 5pm.

✘ **Weekday Masses (Hall):** Tuesday and Friday at 12 noon

✘ **Eucharistic Adoration (Hall):** Tuesday and Friday from 12.30pm – 1.30pm

✘ **Confessions (Downs Room):** During Adoration, Tuesdays and Friday. For Covid Safety, please use the end door by the stage for entry and exit. Please leave this door open at all times.

PLEASE NOTE:

✘ The above times are temporary

✘ Only the approved number of people are permitted to attend Mass, Eucharistic Adoration at a time - in the Hall = 57 people.

✘ Prior registration is not required

✘ COVID conditions will be adhered to, at all times

✘ Please follow the instructions of the Usher on duty at your Mass

FR ROQUE:

Bishop McGuckin has confirmed that it is strongly recommended that Holy Communion be received in the hand during this COVID time.

FR ROQUE, PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL, COVID TEAM –UPDATE:

From Friday 10 July '20, it was announced that our gatherings can increase to 100 individuals but subject to the 4 square metre rule. For us, the maximum numbers for the Hall are 57 and for when we re-open the Church 40.

At our meeting this week it was decided that we will move back to the Church when:

✘ We can do so in a COVID safe way and

✘ There are further relaxations of restrictions

We are working on how we can manage this safe transition and will keep parishioners informed of progress.

We urgently need **HELPERS** after each Mass, to spray and wipe down the pews used and other areas, including the toilets, sacristy. Could we please have people come forward to help our Community celebrate Mass in our Church again. If we could encourage the younger generation it would be much appreciated.

Please contact the office 4634 8488 **MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK**

CELEBRATING MASS DURING REDUCED NUMBERS ALLOWED FOR CHURCH MASSES:

View live streamed Masses on the [diocese's website](#), via the [diocese's Facebook page](#) or the [diocese's YouTube channel](#). *Please note that the stream will become active a few minutes prior to starting.*

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UPDATE FROM FR ROQUE & THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:

We have received an unexpected request for a community organisation to lease the Hall for 9-12 months. They have been provided with a contract and are awaiting their signature. Once this is received the contract will go to Bishop McGuckin for his approval and signature. There is a possibility that the lease may commence in October. Groups who usually use the hall in 'normal times' have been advised of this likelihood.

For the Parish, this will mean that there will be

- ✘ no access to the hall for any activities, for the term of the lease. The toilet block, however, will still be accessible.
- ✘ much needed revenue gained

PRAYERS REQUESTED: For all our sick: those names in our usual weekly Bulletin; those with COVID 19 and all those who are suffering and facing hardship, in any way, during this time. Deceased: Tony Lukic

Please pray for Fr Tom Keegan as his journey on earth is coming to an end.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO PARISH: For those who are using gifting envelopes or cash, would you be able to consider, if possible, making your contributions by direct debit or electronic transfers? The bank account details for anyone wishing to make direct fund transfers to the parish are as follows:

BSB 084961 Account number 029611980. Please advise your Planned Giving Number on the transaction.

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

There are also extra Gifting Envelopes available for others to join the Planned Giving Program. Please return completed cards either to the collection box in the Hall foyer or to the Parish Office.



CLEANING TEAMS NEEDED:

- 1 -HALL (or CHURCH, CHURCH FOYER) AND TOILETS – after each Mass, Eucharistic Adoration**
- 2 – WEEKLY CLEAN OF HALL (or CHURCH, CHURCH FOYER, SACRISTY) AND TOILETS**

No experience necessary. Rostered on with others.

Contact: Isaac Webb 0413 112 909 or Parish office: 4634 8488

PLENARY COUNCIL UPDATE:

It is imperative to the work of the Plenary Council that as many people as possible are able to peruse the resources and have their say. In the spirit of this, the Diocese of Bathurst have produced audio versions of the Thematic Papers which are now available on the Plenary Council website.

The ALPHA RETREAT Online in the Catholic Context

Date: 28/7/20

Time: 7:00pm (AEST)

Register for Zoom meeting here.

EXPLORE Alpha Online in the Catholic Context

Date: 13/8/20 Thursday

Time: 7:00pm (AEST)

Register for Zoom meeting here.

These one-hour sessions are for those who may have not run an Alpha yet or recently. We answer questions like - What is Alpha? How can I use it, especially online? We'll show you our updated resources for a variety of contexts and how they can be used by your church for ministry both inside your church and into your community.

FATHER ROQUE: *Please text me your Prayer Intentions – 0434 797 528, so that I can include them in my daily, private Masses. No Mass stipend is required.
May God bless us all and keep us safe and healthy during this difficult time!*