



SACRED HEART PARISH, TOOWOOMBA

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22nd November 2020

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Year A

'WHAT WE DO TO PEOPLE, WE DO TO CHRIST'

The Church's liturgical year closes with the Solemnity of Christ the King to remind us that Christ the Lord is "the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the Last: all time and all ages belong to him." Pope Francis points to two poles of history, "Human history begins with the creation of man and woman in the image and likeness of God and concludes with the final judgment of Christ."

Today's Gospel presents what is in store for men and women at the end of the age: Christ will return in glory to judge all—the living and the dead alike. And with judgment comes the separation of those who will be rewarded and those who will be cast out from the joy of the kingdom. We gather to celebrate not only his triumph and glory but also his justice.

This King is a shepherd who cares for all of us and protects us. He is the firstborn of all creation to whom everything is subjected. And Christ is the King who judges the nations on the basis of care and concern for the needy.

CURRENT MASSES, EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS:

- ✘ **Weekend Masses** (Hall): Sat evening 6pm; Sunday 9am & 11am; Sunday **evening 5pm.**
- ✘ **Weekday Masses** (Hall): Tuesday and Friday at 12 noon
- ✘ **Eucharistic Adoration** (Hall): Tuesday and Friday 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 ajar at all times.

PLEASE NOTE:

- ✘ Only the approved number of people are permitted to attend Mass, and Eucharistic Adoration at a time - in the Hall. **This weekend we will be increasing from 63 to 75 in the Hall.** Currently, prior registration is not required **until we commence the TryBooking system.** COVID conditions will be adhered to, at all times
- ✘ Please follow the instructions of the Usher on duty at your Mass or Adoration
- ✘ **It is the responsibility of parents to ensure that their children maintain social distancing and remain with them during Mass**

IMMACULATA PIETY STALL: Will be open before and after the 9am and 11am Masses each Sunday and at other times on request. A wide range of religious goods, including Christmas figurines, Christmas cards, 2021 calendars and gifts. EFTPOS machine available. Orders taken.

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FINANCIAL REPORT: (1 July - 31 October '20)

Total Receipts	\$52,657
Total Expenses	\$52,225
Total Funds held	\$28,118

CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR SCHEDULE:

✘ **ADVENT 9 DAY NOVENA – 16th Dec TO 24th Dec – 4.30 am Hall**

✘ **CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR MASSES 2020**

Sun 20th 4.30 am Novena Mass; 9am Mass; 11am Mass; 5.30pm Mass

Mon 21st 4.30 am Novena Mass

Tues 22nd 4.30 am Novena Mass; 12midday Mass

Weds 23rd 4.30 am Novena Mass

Thurs 24th 4.30 am Novena Mass; **Christmas Eve** 5.30pm Nativity Play; 6pm Mass; Christmas Vigil 10.30pm

Fri 25th **Christmas Day** – 9am Mass

Sat 26th Vigil 6pm Mass

Sun 27th **Feast of the Holy Family** – 9am; 11am; 5.00pm

Tues 29th Mass 12 midday

Fri 1 Jan **Feast of Mary, the Holy Mother of God** – 12 midday Mass

✘ **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSION:**

Tues 22nd Eucharistic Adoration & Confession 12.30pm – 1.30pm

Weds 23rd 2nd Rite of Reconciliation 7pm; 3 Priests available

Fri 1st Jan Adoration and Confession 12.30 – 1.30pm

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL/COVID COMMITTEE UPDATE:

As of this week, we are now able to increase numbers for our Masses and services depending on the capacity of the venue, ability to manage the increased numbers and the ability to maintain COVID Safety.

✘ **From this weekend, we have increased our Mass numbers in the Hall to 75 persons**

✘ From the commencement of the 9 Day Advent Novena (16 Dec), **we would like to increase** the Hall and Church capacities, for Masses if possible.

✘ Hall from 63 to 120 persons which includes 20 in the Downs Room

✘ Church from 40 to 60 persons totalling 200 persons maximum

✘ **HOWEVER – this can only be achieved and managed if we have for each Mass - 6 persons volunteer to be ushers (3 each venue) and 6 persons volunteer to be cleaners and assist with setting up for the next Mass (3 each venue)**

9 DAY NOVENA: 16 DEC – 24 DEC

✘ To be held in the Hall with 100-person capacity. A gift collection box will be available in the Hall entry. No food permitted and no group photos to be taken on Church grounds.

✘ 3 persons needed to be ushers and 3 persons needed to volunteer to be cleaners after Mass

✘ The usual practice of bringing food for self-service and buffet style is **not permitted** under COVID requirements, therefore no food or drinks will be available. There will be no festivities or photos. **Reservations essential.**

In your generosity, please consider being of service to the Parish during this time.

FOR ALL CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR SERVICES: The booking system 'TryBooking' will be used and tickets be given. Advice will be given when the bookings will commence. **Those unable to book online** can ring and book through the parish office, once bookings commence.

✘ **Bookings will be mandatory for all services and entry by ticket only**

✘ **Masks (self-supplied) will be required to be worn on entry until seated and when leaving your seat to exit.**

✘ **Mass Times:** Masses will commence on time. **Please be respectful to Our Lord and other parishioners by arriving before the Mass commencement time.**

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.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: VOLUNTEER MAINTENANCE TEAMS, GARDENING TEAMS, CLEANING TEAMS – please contact the Parish office