

SACRED HEART PARISH, TOOWOOMBA



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Sacred Heart Parish Website: www.sacredheartparish.com.au

Mass Times: Saturday Vigil 6pm. Sunday 9am and 5pm

Week- day Masses: Tuesday & Friday 12noon.

Adoration: 12:30 to 1:30pm Reconciliation: 12:30 to 1:00pm

Office Hours: Mon & Thurs 9.00 - 3.30pm, Tues & Fri 9.00 - 4.30pm & Weds 12:30 – 4:30

Parish Priest: Fr. Roque MAGUINSAY (PACEM) **MOB:** 04 3479 7528

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2021 – YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

7th FEBRUARY 2021

5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B



God Is Close to the Brokenhearted

Reflection on Mark 1:29-39

We live in a world of pain. We undergo physical, emotional, and moral suffering. There are times when, like Job, we are greatly overwhelmed and ask: “Is not man’s life on earth a drudgery?”

The Gospel presents Jesus attending to the sick and the suffering. In Him who is God-made-man, God shows himself close to people who are broken in soul and body.

Healing the sick and the possessed is a central part of Jesus’ earthly ministry. His gift of physical and spiritual healing restores human beings to full participation in their communities. And indeed, it is a foundational image of the work we share as His followers. Not surprisingly, people think that Jesus had power even as he becomes popular. Many people follow him wherever He goes.

Wherever human beings do their best to relieve the pains of their neighbor, Christ is present and active in them as instruments of his Healing love.

Word of God Sunday:

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 7 in 2021. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodSunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

TRYBOOKING:

- ✘ **TryBooking is the booking system that we are using ongoing for all weekend Masses**
- ✘ **Booking is essential for all weekend Masses**
- ✘ **Please either use our Sacred Heart Website - sacredheartparish.com.au and click the TryBooking link Or use <https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/eventListingURL?aid=122616>**

STATUE OF ST JOSEPH: Thank you to all who have generously donated towards the statue of St Joseph. The statue has arrived and will be blessed this weekend.

ASH WEDNESDAY 17th Feb Mass at 12Noon

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will begin 26th Feb 7pm

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: VOLUNTEER MAINTENANCE TEAMS, GARDENING TEAMS, CLEANING TEAMS

Please contact the Parish office 4634 8488

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL UPDATE:

UPDATE ON THE FACILITIES AND QUESTIONNAIRE

How did we get here?

The needs of the parish and to best meet government directives in response to COVID-19 meant that a shift was required to worshipping in the hall. We thank parishioners for their patience and help in this transition.

What we are doing here?

As the situation continues to unfold at a national and international level, Fr Roque has made the decision that we will remain in the hall indefinitely.

As we find our feet in the hall, we are doing our best to cater to the worship and devotional needs of the parish. Bishop Robert has blessed the Hall for sacred use, and we are committed to continue developing it as a place where we can worship as a welcoming Catholic community.

What is the plan from here?

A team, including Fr Roque, members of the Parish Pastoral Council, the Parish Finance Committee, and some consultants, have met to plan the use of the hall. Their mandate is twofold: firstly, to continue to adjust the hall into a fitting place of worship, according to the needs, COVID-requirements, and provisions that arise; and secondly, with the support of Bishop Robert, to evaluate the facilities and plan their viability and best stewardship going into the future.

What is the questionnaire?

We value your vision and values. Please share any concerns and dreams that you have in the questionnaire provided, as we look forward to the future of the parish as a community of faith, hope, and charity.

“Your Opinion is Valued Questionnaire” –Please have your say by answering **“What aspects do you value in a place of worship, that captures your spirituality and why?”** Please return your completed form to the box at the back of the hall by **Sun 21st Feb**

Members of the Parish Council – Ann Eyre, Mick Pyke, Annamaria McGregor, Winton Thorley, Peter Harbort are more than willing to either have a phone conversation or individually meet with you if you wish, to discuss any issues raised at the meeting. Either contact the PPC member directly or arrange through the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR 2021

The Parish Sacramental Program for 2021 will commence this month. This program is for baptised Catholic children in Year 3 and up, 8 years old and over. The program will kick-off with a **Parents Information Night on the 19th of February** (venue to be confirmed). To parents / grandparents who are interested to register their child/ grandchild to this program, kindly fill in the Sacramental Program form available at the church or parish office. If you can, please return the signed form and a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate to the catechists or parish office; as soon as possible otherwise, kindly bring it with you on the Parent Info Night.

Term 1 - First Reconciliation, Term 2 – Confirmation, Term 3 - First Holy Communion

The preparatory lessons will be on Sunday afternoons. More information will be given at the Parent Info Night. Please inform your friends and family who have Year 3 children. For any queries, please call Emilie Yap at 0420 542 508.

Term One – Reconciliation (Year Three, 8 years old and above)

Friday 19 Feb – Parent Info Night 6pm

Sunday 21 Feb – 1st lesson

Sunday 28 Feb – 2nd lesson

Sunday 7 March - 3rd lesson

Sunday 14 March – 4th lesson

Sunday 21 March - 5th lesson (plus Practice) Times and venue to be advised.

Monday 22 March – First Reconciliation, 6pm

OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST DAY

MASS and Anointing of the sick 12 noon, Thursday 11th February

There will also be Anointing of the Sick at the 6pm Mass on Saturday 13th February