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## TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF MASSES AND PUBLIC LITURGIES

All other large gatherings are suspended.

For further clarification please refer to the diocesan websites or contact the parish office.

We recently received some directives from the Vicar General regarding the Coronavirus. Excerpts are contained below:

1. All churches must now be closed, even to private prayer.
2. All public Masses and communal devotions inside churches and outdoors are suspended in the Archdiocese.
3. All except priests are dispensed from the obligation of Sunday Mass. A variety of ways the faithful are encouraged to keep the Sunday holy include: prayer at home; reading the Scriptures of the day; praying for the graces they would normally receive in Holy Communion; prayerfully joining Mass online or by television. (Please see page 3 of bulletin).
4. Priests are asked to celebrate Mass for and on behalf of their people and their needs, and for the needs of all those affected by Coronavirus. Mass and Divine Office for the Sick, for Any Need, and Votive Masses of Our Lady of Lourdes may be prayed.
5. **Funerals:** are permitted for 'very small groups of 10' immediate family and closest friends, but hygiene and social distancing regulations must be observed. In effect this means that two arm's length distance must be observed between all present. The church must be closed to others once the small group has assembled or the permitted numbers for the space of the church have been achieved.
6. **Baptisms:** should be deferred for at least the next six months where possible. In case of urgent pastoral necessity a baptism may be celebrated by a priest, or if necessary by a lay person, ensuring that all hygiene and social distancing regulations are observed.
7. **Weddings:** may be celebrated in church, only with 'very small groups of 5' are in attendance, ensuring all hygiene and distancing are observed. The church must be closed once the small group has assembled or the permitted number for the space has been achieved. In these circumstances the deferral of weddings is an option to consider with the couple.
8. **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** assemblies for the second or third form of the Rite are prohibited. Priests may and should respond to individual requests for the sacrament, so long as hygiene and distancing regulations are observed, but may not advertise or open the church for Reconciliation.
9. **Viaticum:** clergy should make themselves available for pastoral care of those who are dying, observing all regulations for hygiene and distancing so far as possible, along with the protocols established by care homes, prisons, hospitals and other institutions. Clergy who are at higher risk are advised to invite priests at less risk to administer Viaticum or the Sacrament of Anointing. Imposition of hands can be conferred by holding hands over rather than on the head, and anointing by the medium of a cotton ball or bud, or protective glove. Anointing of the head will be sufficient.
10. **Availability:** clergy must make sure that their parishioners can contact them in emergencies.
11. Gatherings for preparation for first Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist are not permitted and need to be deferred for the time being.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
YEAR A**

**THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE.**

**The raising of Lazarus from the dead was a wonderful event. His sisters were overjoyed and many people came to believe in Jesus. But something more wonderful happened in Jesus' own death and resurrection. While Lazarus was restored to his former life, the death of Jesus produces a life that will last forever, a life that we receive in baptism. Let us pray for all who are to be baptised this Easter.**

**First Reading:** *Ezekiel 37:12-14* – I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves' I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks. The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm:** - ©With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice! O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. ®
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. ®
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on His word. My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak. (Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.) ®
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. Israel indeed He will redeem from all its iniquity. ®

**Second Reading:** *Romans 8:8-11* - If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then He will give life to your own mortal bodies.

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made His home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to Him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then He who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through His Spirit living in you. The word of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;  
Whoever believes in me will not die for ever.  
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Gospel:** *John 11:1-45* - I am the resurrection and the life.

There was a man named Lazarus who lived in the village of Bethany with two sisters, Mary and Martha, and he was ill. It was the same Mary, the sister of the sick man Lazarus, who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair. The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea. The disciples said, 'Rabbi, it is not long since the Jews wanted to stone you; you are going back again?' Jesus replied: 'Are there not twelve hours in the day? A man can walk in the day-time without stumbling because he has the light of this world to see by; but if he walks at night he stumbles, because there is no light to guide him.'

He said that and then added, 'Our friend Lazarus is resting, I am going to wake him.' The disciples said to him 'Lord, if he is able to rest he is sure to get better.' The phrase Jesus used referred to the death of Lazarus, but they thought that by 'rest' he meant 'sleep', so Jesus put it plainly, 'Lazarus is dead, and for your sake I am glad I was not there because now you will believe. But let us go to him'. Then Thomas – known as the Twin – said to the other disciples, 'Let us go too, and die with him.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. Bethany is only about two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to sympathise with them over their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house, Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said: 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he died he will live and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.'

When she said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying in a low voice, 'The Master is here and wants to see you.' Hearing this, Mary got up quickly and went to him. Jesus had not yet come into the village; he was still at the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who were in the house sympathising with Mary saw her get up so quickly and go out, they followed her, thinking that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

Mary went to Jesus, and soon as she saw Him she threw herself at His feet, saying, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' At the sight of her tears, and those of the Jews who followed her, Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept: and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked. 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could He not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to Him 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up His eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me. But I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.' When He had said this, He cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' the dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them. 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what He did believed in Him. Gospel of the Lord.



Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Patrick O'Regan, Bishop of the Diocese

of Sale in Victoria, as the 12th Archbishop of Adelaide. Bishop O'Regan was born in Bathurst in 1958. He was educated at St Joseph's Primary School in Perthville, the village in which he grew up, and at St Stanislaus' College Bathurst. He undertook seminary training at St Columba's College Springwood and St Patrick's College Manly, and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Bathurst in 1983. He was appointed Bishop of Sale in December 2014, with his episcopal consecration in February 2015. He holds a licentiate in sacred liturgy and sacramental theology from the Institut Catholique de Paris and is a member of the International Commission on English in the Liturgy. Source: ACBC

#### Next Week's Readings

**Mon** Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62  
John 8:1-11  
**Tue** Num 21:4-9  
John 8:21-30  
**Wed** Dan 3:14-20, 24-25, 28  
John 8:31-42  
**Thu** Gen 17:3-9  
John 8:51-59  
**Fri** Jer 20:10-13  
John 10:31-42  
**Sat** Ezek 37:21-38  
John 11:45-56



#### PALM SUNDAY YEAR A

Is 50:4-7  
Phil 2:6-11  
Matthew 26:14 – 27:66

#### WEEKLY OFFERING FIRST COLLECTION

In response to some questions regarding parish collections, we can offer the parish communities an option to continue to support their parish in these trying times, via an electronic contribution if they so wish. The link on the Archdiocesan website is as follows: <http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/donation>. The donor will need to select the appropriate parish they wish to give to. Contributions can be made to the First Collection, Pastoral Services, Property or General Parish donations. If you wish to direct debit your weekly offering please contact the parish office, phone 8255 1191.

#### LETTER FROM BISHOP GREG O'KELLY SJ

Our Church in South Australia and beyond faces an extraordinary time in our history because Mass will not be celebrated in our parish churches, until further notice. The situation will be reviewed at the end of Holy Week, following Easter. There are other resources on diocesan websites and Facebook sites. For example, you can go to [www.adelaide.catholic.org.au](http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au). You will find a section on the first page entitled COVID-19. Go to the sub-heading "Online Prayer and Worship Resources" and you will find many links for devotional practices, scripture readings, televised Masses, and so on. Similarly, if you go to [www.pp.catholic.org.au](http://www.pp.catholic.org.au) the Pirie Diocese features a similar suggestion for resources. There is also the Facebook page – Adelaide Archdiocese – which has numbers of suggested resources displayed already. I have participated in a small YouTube segment, commenting on the significance of this weekend, which may be of some assistance to some. This will be available on both the Adelaide Archdiocese website and the Port Pirie Diocese website. Please click on this link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=irTzzBnvHO4&feature=youtu.be>



Tawonga is a 10-year-old girl, living with a disability. She lives in a village in northern Malawi in a region plagued by food insecurity and poverty. For most of her life, her parents have struggled to put meals on the table. Tawonga often had to miss school because she was too sick from hunger. The family also faced discrimination in their community due to her disability. Since participating in a Caritas Australia supported program, Tawonga's life has transformed. Her family now grows enough food to provide three meals a day, ending the struggle of malnutrition, and helping her thrive at school.



"Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?'"

JOHN 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard, the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe, do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need. It opens our hearts to see God's active presence in our daily lives.

#### BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Parish Community

**ATIMANGO EMMY LOJONGO  
GEORGE OTIM LOJONGO  
ELIANA AUMA LOJONGO**

who will be baptised on Sunday in St Thomas More Church

Please pray for Atimango, George and Eliana, their family and God Parents

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE  
FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN  
CANCELLED OR  
POSTPONED**

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**THE LEGION OF MARY  
CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER  
GROUP**

**LENTEN GROUPS**

**COFFEE 'N' CHAT CLUB**

**KNITTING GROUP**

#### BULLETIN NOTICES

Please be aware all notices for the bulletin can either be emailed direct to Ann Murray [methil48@hotmail.com](mailto:methil48@hotmail.com) or left at Parish Office no later than Tuesday.

#### PARISHIONERS ON THE SICK LIST

Romeo Hajek, Adele Kalil, Bob Sherman, Josie Hughes, Henry McGoran, Flordelisa Lugtu, Madona Blanch, Barbara Kosewicz, Ivan Baker, Shienamae Falogme (aged 12 months), Lachlan Hill, Rachael Bryant, Cobie Looyestyn, Mary Bryant, Bridie Scappaticci, Miriam McCluskey, Philip Smith, Rev. Brother John Gibson OH.

For Privacy reasons, permission from the sick person is required prior to placing their name in the bulletin.

#### Prayer Registration Slip

Please fill out the registration slips situated on the table in the foyer and place in the box provided.

**Please note that names on the Sick List will remain for six weeks unless Parish Office is otherwise notified.**

#### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Tom Miles.

#### ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH:

Chris Valladares.





### Pastoral Team

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Carol Mackle/Jean Mohan (St Ann's 8.30am)

Margaret Kennedy/Clara Porlaje (St Ann's 8.30am)

Donna Kirkbright (St TM 10am)

#### Planned Giving: Theo Toonen 8252 0340

#### Centacare (Catholic Family Services) 8215 6700

#### St Vincent de Paul Society Assistance Hotline 1300 729 202

#### Beyond Blue (Depression/Anxiety) 1300 224636

#### Lifeline Australia (Crisis Support/Suicide Prevention) 13 11 14

#### Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800 Child Abuse Report Line (CARL) 13 14 78

#### Translating and Interpreting Service 13 14 50

#### Elder Abuse Hotline 1800 372 310

#### St Vincent de Paul Society "Family Centre, Elizabeth 8255 8547

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