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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.



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Easter and COVID-19 Pastoral Letter for Easter 2020

To the Christian Faithful of the Archdiocese of Adelaide and the Diocese of Port Pirie

Dear Sisters and Brothers

In its history the Church has often had to live through times of plague and pestilence. In such times there is a combination of suffering and dread. Plague was like a walking assassin, unknown and undetectable. In the twenty-first century we thought we were beyond such experiences. Never did we think there would be such an international calamity.

We know that such times, as in war, can bring out the finest in people despite the horror. On the human level families are finding out that there is more conversation and interaction as a group. There is only so much television one can watch in one day. Despite the unemployment there is a quiet sense of confidence that by working together the present ills will dissipate. A product of our suffering may be that after this trial there will be a greater appreciation of the human community, what we do, and who the people are with whom we work. The deprivation of the Eucharist and the closure of our churches is creating a sense of spiritual hunger. A whole new form of religious experience is being experienced by many as they bring online devotion, like a streamed Mass, into their homes. People are going out of their way to ensure their non-electronic neighbours are still being held in a sense of parish community. The quality of our lives and sense of closeness to the Lord will deepen as His grace works within us.

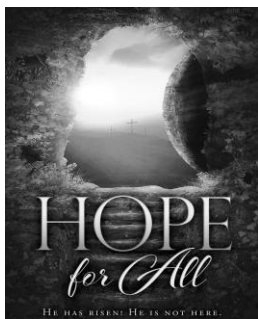
It is a new Church that we will open up to after all this. May we learn from the saying that the buildings are closed, but the churches are open, because we are the Church.

The Cross was planted solidly in the earth, in our ground, where our trials and sorrows and vexations are. Christ stretched out His arms between Heaven and Earth, connecting the two worlds through His suffering and offering. He caught us up in that act, we with our own anxieties and worries and illnesses, and transformed them into the truth of the Resurrection. The great Easter shout, that Christ is truly risen, and therefore death and all diminishment has been transformed gives us strength. Christ did not avoid death, but underwent it, as we all must, but in undergoing it He overcame it. With His grace we too overcome whatever has been diminishing us in this contagion, and through the Resurrection live with a Christian hope that comes from our knowledge of Christ's faithfulness. In the words of the prayer from the Breviary, "Fill us with all joy and peace in believing – by the power of the Holy Spirit enlarge the horizons of our hope."

Yours in Christ



+Gregory O'Kelly SJ
Apostolic Administrator
Bishop of the Diocese of Port Pirie



EASTER SUNDAY CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA!

The empty tomb, and the neatly folded burial cloths, were signs that led the Beloved Disciple to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In the witness of the apostles, and the faithfulness, courage and love of our fellow Christians, we too have powerful signs that Christ is risen and lives among us.

Observing them, our faith cries out: 'Alleluia!'

SEQUENCE OF EASTER

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;

and Christ, the undefiled,

hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended; combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;

shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen; he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

First Reading: *Acts of Apostles 10:34, 37-43* - We have eaten and drank with Him after His resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea: about Jesus of Nazareth and how He began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with Him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything He did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusaem itself; and also to the fact that they killed Him by hanging Him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised Him to life and allowed Him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with Him after His resurrection from the dead – and He has ordered us to proclaim this to His people and to tell them that God has appointed Him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to Him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through His name.' The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: - **®This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say 'His love has no end.' ®
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; His right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount His deeds. ®
3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. ®

Second Reading: *Colossians 3:1-4* - Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and He is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with Him. The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord,
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb" she said "and we don't know where they have put him."

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. they ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.



We will celebrate Holy Week in a truly unusual way, which manifests and sums up the message of the Gospel, that of God's boundless love. And in the silence of our cities, the Easter Gospel will resound. The

Apostle Paul says: "And He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him Who died for them and was raised again" (2 Cor 5:15). In the risen Jesus, life conquered death. This Paschal faith nourishes our hope. It is the hope of a better time, in which we can be better, finally freed from evil and from this pandemic. It is a hope: hope does not disappoint; it is not an illusion, it is a hope. Beside each other, in love and patience, we can prepare a better time in these days. *Excerpt from Pope Francis' Holy Week Message.*



"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." COLOSSIANS 3:2

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be re-adjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God. This is also the first commandment – I am the Lord your God, you shall not have any strange gods before me.

Next Weeks Readings

Mon	Acts 2:14, 22-33 Matthew 28:8-15
Tue	Acts 2:36-41 John 20:11-18
Wed	Acts 3:1-10 Luke 24:13-35
Thu	Acts 3:11-26 Luke 24:35-48
Fri	Acts 4:1-12 John 21:1-14
Sat	Acts 4:13-21 Mark 16:9-15

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 2:42-47
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31

CONGRATULATIONS



To Mary Rogers who celebrated her 83rd Birthday last Wednesday.

ADAPTED IRISH BLESSING

May the road rise up to meet you
But please do not meet up with anyone else.

May the wind be at your back
And your cough be in your elbow.
May the sunshine on your face
The rains fall on your fields
And until we meet again in no less than 14 days,
though potentially up to 4 months.
May God hold you in the palm
Of a thoroughly washed hand.

Submitted by Sr Margaret

ONLINE PRAYER AND WORKSHIP RESOURCES

Channel 44 from St Francis Xavier's Cathedral, Adelaide - Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper 6.30pm - 7.30pm, Good Friday - Passion of the Lord 3pm - 4pm. Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil in the Holy Night 6pm - 7pm. Easter Sunday 9am - 10am

SEVEN NETWORK will stream the Lord's Passion at 3pm on Good Friday and Easter Sunday Mass from 10.30am across the country on Channel 7 and on Prime 7 in regional areas, and live-streamed on 7plus.

Both liturgies will be broadcast commercial-free and in their entirety.

Following the suspension of Masses and closure of churches, the Archdiocese has taken the decision to live stream Sunday Mass (with no congregation) from St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. The Mass can be viewed live or on demand (i.e. as a replay) at www.adelaide.catholic.org.au.

Sunday Liturgy for Families

The Family and Parish-Based Catechesis Office has prepared liturgies with a focus on children.

Families can use these at home to reflect on the Gospel each Sunday. This can be found at this link on the Archdiocesan website:

<http://www.adelaide.catholic.org.au/our-works-and-community/family-and-parish-based-catechesis/prayer-services>.

COVID-19 PHONE COUNSELLING NOW AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT

People struggling to cope with the chaos and fear surrounding COVID-19 can now access free phone counselling by appointment from Centacare Catholic Family Services.

People can phone Centacare between 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday, to make a daytime or evening appointment. The telephone counselling service is inclusive, non-judgmental and unconditional. To book an appointment for COVID-19 telephone counselling, please phone Centacare on 8215 6700. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Rowe 0437 062 302.



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CATHERINE HOUSE

As an organisation providing emergency accommodation and support for women experiencing homelessness across South Australia we aim to continue in line with all government recommendations. The current virus threat means clients need our support more than ever. Accordingly our accommodation programs continue as an essential service. Outreach Support Services will now be provided by telephone instead of home visits • Services provided at our Catherine House Women's Centre will be provided by phone or video link where possible.

LOYOLA OUTREACH

Retreat at Home We are offering you an opportunity to undertake a personal retreat at home with direction from one of our Team by regular email and phone, FaceTime, Zoom or Skype support. For further information, please phone Wayne Brabin: 0411 269 630.

YOUTH MINISTRY RESOURCE ONLINE

The Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults is compiling resources for youth and young adult ministry in these extraordinary times. To view these resources visit <http://www.cathoyouthadelaide.org.au/resources1>

PLENARY COUNCIL

In response to the dramatic changes caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the bishops of Australia have made the "difficult, but necessary" decision to postpone the first assembly of the Plenary Council. Source: ACBC Media Blog.

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

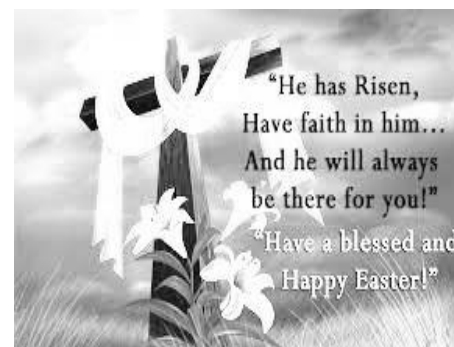
Please fill out the registration slips situated on the table in the foyer and place in the box provided.

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

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH:

Joseph Mohan.



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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

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