

MASS TIMES

SUNDAY: 9.00am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: 4th Sunday during School term

WEDNESDAY: NO Mass at 10.00am

Note: A Funeral Mass takes priority over Wednesday mass

RECONCILIATION: 8.30am till 8.45am every Sunday

BAPTISMS: Telephone or email office in Young

WEDDINGS: At least 6 months' notice -
Telephone or email office in Young

WEEKEND MASS TIMES AT ST. MARY'S, YOUNG

SAT/SUN: 6.00pm (SAT) 9.00am (SUN)

ROSTERS FOR THIS WEEK: SUN. 22 MAR. 2020

ACOLYTE: Nev Stokes or John King

MUSIC: Di Franks

READERS: Terry Carroll and Mary Moffitt

SPECIAL MINISTERS: Sr Mary and Val Forsyth

COUNTERS: Terry Carroll and Julie Finn

CLEANING: Debbie Williamson, Sharon Eppelstun & Phillipa Baker

(CHILDREN'S LITURGY & MORNING TEA)

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK: SUN. 29 MAR. 2020

ACOLYTE: Nev Stokes or John King

MUSIC: Liz Carroll

READERS: Sr Mary and Glenys O'Connor

SPECIAL MINISTERS: Chris Lynch and Di Franks

COUNTERS: Phillipa Baker and Liz Carroll

MEMORIAL BOOK

To have names placed in the book, please fill in the names of the deceased members of our parish and our relatives in the folder at the church rear.

Please fill in the sheet by PRINTING their name and date of death.

These will be placed in a memorial book which can be added to each year.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Ezekiel 37: 12-14;
Rom ans 8: 8-11; John 11: 1-45



St. Joseph's Parish, Grenfell

4th Sunday of Lent - 22 March 2020

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ARCHDIOCESAN PROTOCOLS RE: THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

The Archdiocese has received advice from medical experts that we should employ best practice and be prudent in trying to help reduce the transmission of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The Federal Government has restricted gatherings to 100 people or less. This applies to the celebration of the Eucharist, for Sundays and weekdays, and sacramental liturgies.

For health reasons, it is recommended that the faithful who have reached 75 years of age should not attend Mass. (Anyone who feels that you are missing out, please feel free to come to the weekday mass).

Daily Mass will be available beginning Sunday, 22 March 2020 on the Catholic Voice website (www.catholicvoice.org.au) from 6am each day for the faithful who do not attend Mass.

People who have the following symptoms should not attend Mass:
Fever, cough, fatigue, sore throat or shortness of breath.

Upon reception of this letter, all communities, parishes, schools, hospitals etc. are asked to observe the following protocols, with appropriate instructions given to the faithful, until further notice.

1. Remove Holy Water from fountains.
2. The faithful are asked to sit 1.5m apart, except for immediate family
3. No touching at the sign of peace.
4. Priests, Deacons, Acolytes and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to sanitise their hands before distributing Holy Communion and after distributing Holy Communion.
5. Holy Communion in the hand. No Communion on the tongue.
6. The Sacred Host, not the Precious Blood, is given to the faithful.
7. Recommended method of collecting monies: The faithful to place money in baskets placed around the Church at the offertory. Money placed in bags by those wearing gloves. Counted 24 hours after the event, with sanitisation of hands before and after.
8. No communion to the sick in hospital, aged care facilities or private homes to those who have COVID-19.

Yours in Christ, Fr Anthony Percy VG

PLEASE NOTE

Mass times from 28th/29th March at St Mary's Church will now be held on Saturday at 6-00pm, Sunday at 9-00am and the new time of 5-00pm on a Sunday evening. (Mass times at Boorowa and Grenfell to stay the same).

This change will hopefully assist in dividing the congregation for a mass to limited numbers (100 people at a time) as required by the government.

Prayers are requested for John Butcher (Brother of one of our parishioners, Peter Butcher) who is very ill at the moment.

PRAYER

Jesus, our Good Shepherd and divine physician, hear our pleas. We implore your mercy in the wake of an outbreak of serious illness and disease. Guide our efforts to prevent contagion and make preparations to care for those most vulnerable. Assist all professionals and volunteers who work to eradicate the epidemic now spreading. May our actions be marked by your steadfast love and selfless service and never by panic or fear. Bestow your comfort and healing to the sick, sustain and strengthen them by your grace. May they know your closeness as they carry the cross of illness. And may all you have called from this life come to worship you eternally with all the saints as you grant consolation & peace to their mourners. Amen.

Holy Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for us.
St Joseph, Hope of the Sick, pray for us.
St Rocco, protector against epidemics, pray for us.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

All volunteers working with our children (i.e. Acolyte/Senior Server/Children's Liturgy or Catechists) must have a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC). If your WWCC has expired, or you haven't had one, please address this as a priority. If you do have a current WWCC, please ensure Cath at the Parish office has your WWCC numbers asap. Your date of birth will also be required.

(Just google Working with Children Check NSW).

IN ADDITION - All Parish volunteers, regardless of whether they work with children, are to read the Archdiocesan Child Protection Code of Conduct, then sign and return the acknowledgment form.

This should be done as soon as possible.

More information is available from the following link:

<http://catholic.org.au/professional-standards/child-protection-code-of-conduct/>

(Alternatively, if you don't have access to a computer, you can read the Code of Conduct form located on the table at the back of the church and then sign the Acknowledgement form & return it in the Grenfell box when it comes back to Young.)

RECENTLY DECEASED: Neville Wood, Larry McDonald (Husband of Helen, Father of David & Megan and Father-in-Law of Cath & Aaron), Michael Johnston (Husband of Judy)

EASTER RETREAT (Saturday, 28th March 2020) and DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (19th April 2020)

Unfortunately due to the coronavirus, the Easter Retreat and Divine Mercy Sunday has been cancelled in Young on the above dates.

SPECIAL MINISTERS AND MPHS

Due to the Grenfell MPHS implementing government regulations regarding visitors to aged care facilities due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19), Special Ministers will not be allowed to take communion to the MPHS residents until further notice.

5TH SUNDAY ECUMENICAL SERVICE

The usual 5th Sunday Ecumenical Service which was to have been held at the Anglican Church on Sunday, 29th March has been cancelled due to a church directive that all Anglican services are to be cancelled as of 29th March until further notice.

COUNTING ROSTER

Please note that the counting of the collections at St Joseph's Parish takes place after mass each week. Please see name shown each week for the roster.

GRENFELL FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS (23rd March 2020 - 5th April 2020)

Please contact Tania Biddle on (0422) 855-090 or Margaret Baker on (0427) 438-267 if you or your family require assistance with funeral preparation arrangements.

PLEASE EMAIL ANY MESSAGES FOR THE BULLETIN TO ST MARY'S PARISH OFFICE NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, AS THIS IS THE CLOSE OFF TIME FOR ALL ENTRIES. THANKS

WEBSITE

Please feel free to check out our information and Bulletins on the website. Just go to: cg.org.au/grenfell, and download view for the latest Bulletins.

NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN
(For the gift of rain, for people affected by drought, for support services)

Eternal God, in wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life. We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops. Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain and restore our parched earth. Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:
Renew your faithful people;
Renew the face of the earth.
Our Lady of the Southern Cross,
Mary, help of Christians - Pray for us.
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - Pray for us.

