

OPEN CHURCH - Parishioners can enter the body of the church any time for prayer during daylight hours through the main glass doors at the back of the Church.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue. 7th Apr: NO 8.00am Mass in Chapel
NO 12.30 Mass at Boorowa
Wed. 8th Apr: NO 8.00am Mass in Chapel
NO 10.00am Mass at Grenfell
Thu. 9th Apr: NO 8.00am Mass in Chapel
NO 11.00am Mass at Boorowa
Fri. 10th Apr: NO 8.00am Mass in Chapel
NO 9.30am Mass at SCC (YRV)
Sat. 11th Apr: 9.30-10.00am Reconciliation outside
NO 6.00pm Vigil Mass at Young
NO 6.00pm Vigil Mass at Boorowa
Sun. 12th Apr: NO 9.00am Mass at Young
NO 9.00am Mass at Grenfell

NB: Graveside Funerals only (maximum of 10)

VOCATIONS PRAYER GROUP: Suspended

BAPTISMS: Sat/Sun. of month. (Suspended)
Ring Office first for all Baptism enquiries

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: Suspended
ADORATION: Suspended

WEDDINGS: By appointment at least 6 mths notice.
(Maximum of 5)



St. Mary's Parish, Young

We sincerely acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, the Wiradjuri people
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – 5 April 2020

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**CATHOLIC DIOCESAN PROTOCOLS (YOUNG MISSION)
RE: THE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

There will be no further Celebration of Masses, Prayer gatherings or Baptisms in the Diocese until further notice.

There will be no Holy Communion distributed to private homes or aged care facilities until further notice.

Reconciliation to be still on at the same time, but outdoors now.

This decision has been made by the Federal Government due to the coronavirus (COVID-19).

Daily Mass will be available on the Catholic Voice website online (from 6-00am) each day. You can watch this anytime at a time that suits you best. Please visit: www.catholicvoice.org.au

(ALL CHURCHES ARE TO BE CLOSED 24 HRS EACH DAY)

PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES

Please be advised that the Presentation Associates meeting that was due to be held on Monday, 6th April and all further meetings have been suspended until further notice.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Unfortunately due to the coronavirus, Divine Mercy Sunday has been cancelled in Young on Sunday, 19th April.

MERCY ASSOCIATES

Please be advised that the Mercy Associates meeting that was due to be held on Monday, 20th April and all further meetings have been suspended until further notice.

ST MARY'S PARISH, YOUNG (SACRAMENTS 2020)

Unfortunately, due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) all Sacraments will be suspended until further notice.
Please pass on to anyone you know.



FOOD BANK

Food Bank has been temporarily suspended at this time. Mary-Louise/Louise may call should the need arise in the coming months.

PARISH OFFICE NOTICE

The Bulletin will still be printed and can be obtained from a box outside the main entrance of the Church.

If you would like the bulletin to be sent to you online, please send an email to young@cg.org.au and you will then be added to the current list of parishioners already receiving it.

Alternatively, look on our website each week at: cg.org.au/young and download view.

The Parish office will still be taking enquiries by email: young@cg.org.au or telephone: (02) 6382-2222.

As it is Palm Sunday this weekend, please feel free to pick up a palm cross from a box outside the church from Sunday.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS THIS WEEKEND ON SUNDAY 5TH APRIL



As Daylight Saving Time is about to end on Sunday, 5th April at 3-00am, clocks are turned back 1 hour, so it's easier to remember to just wind your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night.

Please pray for Sr Gai Cass who is seriously ill at the moment.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Maurice Bobbin (Father of Fr Troy Bobbin), James (Jim) Cusack, Lorna Parkman (Murringo), Evelyn McKenzie - Cowra (Sister of Jan Mainwaring), Marie Waugh (Mother of Karin and Stephen), John McGuire - Dubbo (Brother-in-law of Gloria McAllister), Peter Bennett, Jean D'Elboux (Mother of Mary Holmes), Phillip Braddon - Cowra (Brother of Allan), Sr Anne McRae, (PBVM), Larry McDonald (Husband of Helen, Father of David & Megan and Father-in-Law of Cath & Aaron), Margaret Kite

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK 11 / 12 April 2020

READERS:	First	Second
6.00pm:	Suspended	Suspended
9.00am:	Suspended	Suspended

ACOLYTE/ SENIOR SERVER:	6.00pm:	9.00am:
	Suspended	Suspended

ALTAR SERVERS: 6pm: Suspended

9.00am: Suspended

PLANNED GIVING: Suspended

CHURCH CLEANERS: Suspended

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

CHURCH OPEN/CLOSE: Suspended (Apr 2020)

LAWN/GARDEN ROSTER: Greg Dunn (Apr 2020)

MAINTENANCE: A Maguire / Nathan Cooper (Apr 2020)

Contact for Maintenance: Don Smith - (0427) 410-422

GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT: Suspended

LINEN ROSTER: Suspended

ROSARY STATUE: Suspended

NEXT: Suspended

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

6.00pm:	Suspended	Suspended
9.00am:	Suspended	Suspended

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Acts 10: 34, 37-43;
Col 3: 1-4; John 20: 1-9

**A PRAYER AT A TIME OF THE
CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC
(Archbishop Christopher Prowse)**

Heavenly Father,
We praise and thank you for your loving presence, especially in the Lent/Easter season.

We offer heartfelt thanks, dear Lord, particularly for our recent rains. Once again, we come to you in our need. As your children we are in need of your healing and protection.

Just as we have been recovering from our dangerous bushfire summer, we have now been thrown into a fearful coronavirus (COVID 19) autumn.

We are tired and frightened. We feel a sense of panic and future uncertainty on a global scale.

Be with us now, Loving Master. Without you all is nothing – only empty hearts and a total reliance on our own feeble resources.

But with you “there is mercy and fullness of Redemption” (Psalm 130/7). With you there is “the loving mercy of the heart of our God (who) will give light to those who sit in darkness, those who dwell in the shadow of death, and guide our feet into the way of peace” (Luke 1/79). It seems that so many public gatherings are now postponed or cancelled. There is virus death, the sick, and the anxious. We are spending more time on our own, or with family or friends.

We pray for the sick and those looking after them. Help us to offer practical help to those who struggle.

Let us use these times, O Lord, for your greater glory, especially during Lent and Easter. Let us pray more, and truly listen to you more in loving silence, stillness and simplicity.

Almighty Father, you always journey with us in life's challenges. Help us to meet you often in the scriptures and our sacraments.

Increase in us faith, hope and trust.
Protect us from this coronavirus. Remove it from our common home.

Heal those who are sick and dying.

Mary, Help of Christians, as always we fly to you in our need. Be close to us and point out your Son, Jesus, to us in this pandemic. St Therese of Lisieux and her parents, Saints Louis and Zelig Martin, pray for us.

We make this and all our prayers through Jesus, Our Lord and Saviour, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever, AMEN.

A message from Fr James

Do Not be Afraid: There's Hope!

Dear Friends in Christ

The world is broiled in different adversaries. A cursory look, as Christians, evokes a feeling of End-time cataclysmic Armageddon-predictions. The pit of hell has opened its mouth and cast outrageous evil spells on Mother Earth to counteract Pope Francis' invitation in *Laudate Si* that Christians should wake up to caring for the earth. His prophetic wake-up call is a premonition of what the Evil one is planning and capable of unleashing on our earth and invariably on humanity as we are experiencing in recent times.

Australia like other parts of the world is in a fair share of the doses of these Adversaries' evil deplores. While in droughts: animals, plants and crops including our lovely scenic environment were completely ravaged, pummelled and devastated. We cried for rains unending. Eventually a slight respite came.

Then came the flood that overwhelmed some parts of Australia catapulting us into an unprecedented bushfires; gassing us like rats chased and hemmed in a lair. I remember going to mass one Sunday morning about 7:30am fearing the rising sun's burning flame was going to fall on us. We quickly wrapped up the Sunday celebration so everyone can return to safety and comfort of their homes.

While trying to recover from these tripartite shock of droughts, floods and rains, what did we wake up to see? Coronavirus and it's pandemics with symptomatic and asymptomatic effects, closing not just normal lives but a strong hold on our spiritual lives as well. We no longer wrap up masse as in days of the bushfires. Now, Churches are closed. Devotees are bewildered. Communion can't reach the many in need of it.

My dear friends in Christ the good news is that there's hope. Our situation is akin to Israelites approaching Passover. Pharaoh's adamant spirit made the Passover more glorious. God's children were seriously and strongly prepared to move. Our hope is that our Passover lamb Jesus Christ will soak each door steps of your household during this Holy Week. He'll Pass over your homes, businesses, offices, hospitals, fears, sicknesses, traumas and anything that have a link to you and cleanse you.

The hosts of heavenly armies: archangels Michael, Gabriel, Raphael and our guardian angels will surround and surmount Covid-19 in the pool of the sea of Jesus' blood. Like Moses said to the people Fear not for the Egyptians you see today tomorrow you shall see them no more (Ex 14:13). I declare to you dear parishioners fear not the Covid-19 pandemics you see today tomorrow shall see it no more!

I have been praying some radical prayers for you and over your loved ones against the attacks of the enemy of our good; and I hope you can join me on my youtube channel in these prayers. Please email me or call me on james.onoja@cg.org.au or 02 6382 1293 and I'll send you the channel.

We intend to broadcast live the Easter programs for you to follow from your homes and to help you follow our daily masses from our chapel. Fr Praveen and I are keeping vigil over you daily in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

May Our Lady the Blessed Virgin Mary cover you with her mantle of purity: blinding any evil-eye looking to your homes and loved ones, disguised as Covid-19, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen !

I encourage you to spend sometime rereading these passages from Exodus each day 5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14, with special attention on 15 (the big song of the Passover/Easter victory).

May the Divine Mercy of God protect and shield you. Amen.