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. 14th Apr: NO 8.00am Mass in Chapel NO 12.30 Mass at Boorowa

Wed. 15th Apr: NO 8.00am Mass in Chapel NO 10.00am Mass at Grenfell

Thu. 16th Apr: NO 8.00am Mass in Chapel

NO 11.00am Mass at Boorowa Fri. 17th Apr: NO 8.00am Mass in Chapel

NO 9.30am Mass at SCC (YRV)

Sat. 18th Apr: 9.30-10.00am Reconciliation outside

NO 6.00pm Vigil Mass at Young NO 6.00pm Vigil Mass at Boorowa

Sun. 19th 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)

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK 18 / 19 April 2020

READERS: **First Second** | <u>6.00pm</u>: Suspended Suspended 9.00am: Suspended Suspended

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

|| ALTAR SERVERS: 6pm: Suspended

Suspended || **9.00am**:

| 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 2: 42-47;

1 Peter 1: 3-9; John 20: 19-31



St. Mary's Parish, Young

We sincerely acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, the Wiradjuri people Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - 12 April 2020

Parish Pastor: Fr James Onoja / Associate Pastor: Fr Praveen Paul

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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)

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 Zelie 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.

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, I please send an email to young@cg.org.au and you will I then be added to the current list of parishioners already receiving it.

Alternatively, look on our website each week at: I 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.

(Please feel free to pick up a palm cross from the box I outside the church if you missed out last week).

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.

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.

FOOD BANK

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

PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES

Please be advised that all Presentation Associates Meetings have been suspended until further notice.

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Simon Jasprizza, 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

EASTER MESSAGE 2020 FROM THE ARCHBISHOP **CORONA (CROWN) OF THORNS**

Just a few months ago, none of us had heard of CORONAVIRUS.

Now it is our uninvited Easter guest.

It seems the whole world has become sick due to its global presence.

We cannot get away from it. It has turned our world upside down. We are anxious and fearful. Even in supermarkets we appear to be suspicious of each other.

We are trying our best in our home isolation. The experience so far is one of mixed blessings. New routines are not easy to navigate on our own. Now whole families and others are to negotiate a new way of daily life for the next few months. "Corona" is a Latin word meaning "crown". This pandemic has become a crown of thorns for us all.

In the hours before his death, Jesus too knew of a crown of thorns. It became one of his terrible sufferings before his death on the Cross of Calvary. Jesus suffers with us in our sufferings. This is the meaning of the key word compassion.

The Easter message is clear: by suffering with the suffering Jesus we enter by Grace into the hope of Resurrection in Him.

Doing this is not something of mere human initiative. We surrender to the Grace invitation of Jesus. The Risen Lord awaits our YES coming from our deepest selves. We do this as Church through, with and in Jesus. Mary and all the saints participate in this saving encounter.

We are never alone.

This Easter will be celebrated in unprecedented circumstances. All our Churches are closed. Many, but not all, can participate via online platforms. It will be so new to us. Yet, this pandemic will eventually be contained. Hope insists on this. We want, however, from the quasi-Monastic anchorage of our homes, to encounter Jesus more than ever. Our lives are in flux. Only Jesus remains forever. Alleluia! Our new found Easter faith insists that it be expressed in practical charity. We do all we can to help those struggling. We thank the medical professionals, cleaners and volunteers, emergency forces, priests and religious, lay faithful and all who give us particular leadership in our time of real need of human closeness and the caress of the Lord who rises in our midst. Happy Easter and every blessing to you all!

Archbishop Christopher Prowse Canberra Goulburn Archdiocese Apostolic Administrator of Wagga Wagga