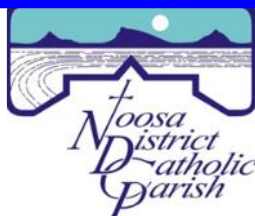


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so they may be empowered
to walk with us in His ways.



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to grow as disciples of Christ.

WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

We are a parish of the Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane incorporating the communities of:
Sacred Heart Church, 63 Maple Street, Cooroy; St Patrick's Church, 1 Church Street, Pomona; St Thomas More Church, Ben Lexcen Drive, Sunshine Beach and Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church, 5 Moorindil Street, Tewantin.

Parish Office Hours

Open on Monday & Tuesday 8am - 12 noon and 1pm - 4pm, Wednesday 1pm - 4pm, & Thursday 8am - 12 noon and 1pm - 2:30pm.

Closed Fridays. **Office Address:** 5 Moorindil Street, Tewantin **Postal Address:** PO Box 111, Tewantin 4565

Office Phone: 5447 1188 (option 1 for office staff) **Mass Times line:** 5447 1188 (option 3) **Emergencies:** 0438 705 447

Parish Email: enquiries.ndcp@bne.catholic.net.au **Facebook:** www.facebook.com/noosacatholic **Website:** under construction

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year B) - 29nd November 2020

Numbers allowed in our churches increased!

Thankfully Queensland, and indeed the bulk of Australia, has not experienced the levels of infection from the Covid virus experienced in many other countries. We have been indeed fortunate to have been able, in the main, to avoid the high rates of infection that have afflicted other countries to date with associated casualties and life-long illness for the people infected. Our avoidance of the worst of this virus to date is due to our ability as a country to isolate and protect ourselves from travelers from other countries, swift tracing of outbreaks and their origins, and the adherence by our population as a whole to measures promoted uniformly by all of our public health authorities (state and federal) who have asked us, and continue to ask us to:

Encourage practice of social distancing of 1.5m

Encourage wearing a mask when distancing is not possible

Encourage maintaining good hand hygiene practices

Require people to stay home if sick and get tested

Collect contact details for contact tracing

In our churches we saw changes to how many can attend and how we can celebrate the Mass together.

We have set up registration stations, provided for hand sanitization, undertake post Mass disinfection of our church spaces, and have rearranged our seating to allow all who attend our Masses to maintain the required 1.5m social distancing and we modified how we celebrate.

Each Church has had to have its own plan to meet the requirements of the approved industry plan for places of worship and we have called upon parishioners to take up the challenge of continuing to worship at Mass in a safe and responsible way as well as to volunteer in the new roles of Mass Entry Monitor and post Mass cleaners.

Thank you everyone for helping with this!

Now we come to another phase as the restrictions are relaxed a little more with the State Government now allowing churches to have higher numbers in attendance. We could not implement the changes last week because we were still awaiting clarity as to the full effect of the new changes. Now that we have that clarity we can implement the new changes from this coming weekend.

The two significant changes are: 1. That the requirement for people from different households to practice social distancing in churches is highly recommended but no longer mandatory (it is now *'to the extent possible'*) AND 2. The numbers of people in a church can be increased to 1 per 2sqm across all of our churches. This means that the maximum numbers we can now have at weekend masses have increased. The table below shows our new capacity at each church:

Mass Place—Time **New Numbers Allowed**

SATURDAY

Tewantin OLPS-5pm 150*
Sunshine Beach STM-5pm 200

SUNDAY

Tewantin OLPS-8:00am 150*
Sunshine Beach STM-8am 200
Tewantin OLPS-10:30am 150*
Cooroy— Sacred Heart-10:30am 80
Pomona— St Patrick's-10:30am 80

* Tewantin numbers include 60 seats (30 per side) outside the church with side doors opened—the hall is a backup if it rains.

To accommodate the higher numbers, whilst also maintaining social distancing *'to the extent possible'*, kneeling at Mass is still discouraged and pew/chair rows will still be 1.5m apart. Whilst people from different households may now sit next to each other, people should distance as much as practically possible and, if concerned or you have a chronic medical condition, wear a face mask if the 1.5m distancing cannot be achieved.

We are also still required to register names and contact details for everyone attending Mass to assist with contact tracing if an outbreak occurs and is traced to a Mass center. Right now almost half of our weekend Mass attendees have not registered their attendance before attending Mass. This is starting to create bottlenecks at Mass entry points as our Mass Entry Monitors gather the contact details as these people enter the church. **As attendances increase, to help our Mass Entry Monitor volunteers, please consider making your booking in advance by phoning the parish office OR going on-line via www.Trybooking.com/eventlist/ndcp to book in by 2:30pm on Thursday afternoons.**

Thank You!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Heavenly Father, we ask your blessing upon Raymond and Viona Tandiono, Jack R May, Susan Lamb, Anne Parlevliet, Joan Charman, Charlotte Goeldner, Pat Wark, Ken Hazelton, Clare Bird, Keith Ogilvie, Pat Shannon, James Woods, John Porst, Pauline Sullivan, Andrea Steen, Andrew MacRitchie, Edison Dungo Sr, Grant Smith, Jo Simmons, Kevin Robertson, Bernie Mawn, Matthew Talarico, Judith Harper (O'Toole), Marie Dunn, Shirley Player, Dougie Bruce, Billie Jane Armstrong, Fay Minter, Gregory Minter, Alan Taylor, Helen Conlin, Desley Staatz, Dean & Dianna Shurte, Denise Walters, Pat Kennedy, Ivan & Maria Kolesaric, Jackson Burgess, Anne-Marie Jeffries, Jan Penny, Kay Middleton, Ken Kipping, Barbara Channon, Ken Smith, Corey Henry, Helen Thompson, David Barson, Betty McKeown, John Ian Hall, Monica Carroll, Gab Carter, Claire Taylor, Ingrid Valk, Bob Burgess, Des Manning, Max Shearer, Margaret Doolan, Doug Horn and all the sick.

PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE IF ANY OF THE ABOVE NAMES CAN NOW BE REMOVED.

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR THE DECEASED: We remember in our prayers all those who died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Kay Dennis.

COOROY SACRED HEART CHURCH RAMP REPAIRS

Fabrication of a new steel ramp structure (with handrails) to replace the rotted timber ramp has been approved. Material cost for the ramp replacement has been estimated at \$5,500 with erection of the ramp to be done with volunteer labour. If you can assist with the erection of the new ramp or assist with funding the works please contact the Parish Manager on 0428 987 903.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve:

5:00 PM Champagnat Centre – Sunshine Beach

5:00 PM OLPS - Tewantin (Live Streamed)

7:30 PM Champagnat Centre – Sunshine Beach

11:00 PM OLPS – Tewantin (Live Streamed)

Christmas Day:

7:00 AM St Patrick's – Pomona

8:00 AM Champagnat Centre – Sunshine Beach

9:00 AM Sacred Heart – Cooroy

10:30 AM OLPS – Tewantin (Live Streamed)



SPECIAL COLLECTIONS OUTCOMES THIS YEAR

Every year the Parish is asked to take up special collections in addition to our normal Mass offerings. Even with Covid church attendance restrictions in place 2020 has been no different with Church agencies still needing our support.

In this year to date the outcomes of those collections are as below:

Australia Day Appeal (Bush Fires Support) - January 2020	\$3,845 raised
Project Compassion Appeal—April 2020	\$7,159 raised
Holy Places—September 2020	\$ 429 raised
Catholic Mission Appeal—October 2020	\$2,301 raised
Peters Pence Appeal—November 2020	\$ 563 raised

The Pomona St Patrick's church community also raised \$153 for Catholic Mission.

A TOTAL OF \$14,450 RAISED THANK YOU ALL!

YES YOU ARE STILL ENCOURAGED TO BOOK IN FOR MASS IN ADVANCE

With higher numbers allowed in most churches from this weekend it is less likely that you will not be able to get into Mass without a booking **but** we are still required to ensure that Covid event contact registers are kept! **To help us with the registers and to reduce your waiting time on entry into the church** please continue to book into mass by going to:

<https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/ndcp> before Saturday 2:30pm **OR** call the parish office on 07 5447 1188 before Thursday 2:30pm.

PLEASE NOTE: If you book in online **AFTER** 2:30pm on Thursday before the weekend your name **WILL NOT** be on the pre-printed Covid entry register when you attend church.

PARISH DIARY

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO MASS SCHEDULE BELOW

WEEKEND MASSES BOOKINGS RECOMMENDED

**Bookings for 12th/13th Dec
opened Friday 20th Nov and
bookings for 19th/20th Dec open
Friday 4th December**

[https://
www.trybooking.com/
eventlist/ndcp](https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/ndcp)

MONDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

St Andrew

8.30am MASS - Tewantin

TUESDAY 1ST DECEMBER

Tuesday of 1st Week of Advent

8.00am Rosary—Cooroy

8.30am MASS—Cooroy

WEDNESDAY 2ND DECEMBER

Wednesday of 1st week of Advent

5.30pm MASS - Pomona

THURSDAY 3RD DECEMBER

St Francis Xavier

8.00am Rosary - Tewantin

8.30am MASS - Tewantin

**3.00pm All musicians and singers
practice, OLPS**

FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Friday of 1st week of Advent

8.30am MASS - Tewantin

**9.30am Japara Noosa Aged Care
Home Communion Service**

SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER

Second Sunday of Advent

5pm MASS—Tewantin

LIVE-STREAMED AT TEW

5pm MASS—Sunshine Beach

SUNDAY 6TH DECEMBER

Second Sunday of Advent

8am MASS—Tewantin

8am MASS—Sunshine Beach

**10:30am MASS—Tewantin
LIVE-STREAMED AT TEW**

10:30am MASS—Cooroy

FOR ACCESSING LIVE-STREAMED

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Treasuring our Volunteers

So much of our 'being' Church, and truly fulfilling our baptismal call to bring others to Christ, is backed up by the tremendous efforts of the many volunteers in our parish, often over many years, unheralded and quietly carried out in a spirit of thankfulness, joy and faithful service. Each of us have the capacity to help others. We give thanks for the service of those who choose to continue to volunteer their time and talents to build up God's Kingdom and advance our parish vision as we read their stories.

"We find it a privilege to serve our church community. Whether we are assisting with the liturgy of the Mass or sweeping out the bathrooms, or taking Communion to the housebound. It is a gift God has given us. He expects us to be His hands and feet. We both get so much out of it, through the friendship of others and it is always happy work. Love is the life- blood of all volunteering. We thank God each day we are able to do it." Love Kathleen and Terry

"While the Covid-19 pandemic of 2020 has shut down much of our lives, including our churches, borders and businesses, it has opened my heart. My desire to come together to receive the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist was unmistakable during the lockdown. I realised how much I had taken this precious gift for granted. Volunteering as a Mass monitor, cleaner and reader grew out of this desire. As a relatively new parishioner, volunteering has given me a greater sense of belonging to a faith community and a way of fulfilling my promise to our Lord that I will never take Him for granted again." Majella

"I am a reader. I like to read so that I am part of the Mass and able to contribute actively in the Mass. It gives me a nice warm feeling that I have done something and have more fully participated." Lynne

"I take the Eucharist to the residents at Kabara. I do so because it brings joy to the elderly who can no longer get to Mass. It feels good to be making people happy – their faces light up when they see us." Barbara



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

St Vincent de Paul's annual Christmas hamper appeal is well underway but there is still time to get on board to make this Christmas season a great one for those doing it tough. Many gifts have already been donated by the students at St Thomas More Primary School and St Teresa's College. However more are needed.

Some suggestions of suitable gifts include toiletries such as deodorants, hair products and shower gel. Cosmetics such as lip gloss or balm and nail polish; mugs or cups, backpacks or handbags would also make great gifts. For the children, sports equipment, balls, notebooks, cute pens, puzzles, colouring in books, socks and hats are some ideas. To make the Christmas table festive you may like to donate soft drinks, candy canes, popcorn, bonbons, chips, custards, puddings, Christmas cakes or tinned ham. Gift cards from local stores for approximately \$20 to \$25 would also be a great idea and would make nice presents to go with the hampers.

Donations may be left at the Vinnies shop, 4 Eenie Creek Rd, Noosaville, or in the baskets at Mass.

PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

1 COMMUNION UNDER ONE KIND

In those parishes (schools) where Communion is distributed under both kinds, the practice of distributing the precious blood will cease except for the celebrant only.

2 COMMUNION IN THE HAND

Given that one of the easiest ways to transmit a virus is by the transmission of saliva, Communion will be received only in the hand.

3 NO HOLY WATER

Holy water should be removed from stoops at the doors of Churches.

4 NO TOUCH AT SIGN OF PEACE

Clergy and parishioners should not touch each other by shaking hands at the kiss of peace. A nod or a smile is appropriate with the words "Peace be with you".

5 MINISTERS WASH HANDS

All ministers of Holy Communion (both ordinary and extraordinary) are to wash their hands with soap and hot water or alcohol-based sanitiser before distribution of Holy Communion.

6 IF SICK, STAY HOME

People who are sick with flu like symptoms are to stay at home and not come to Mass until their sickness passes.

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Sea Eagle Drive, Noosaville

Principal: Mr David McInnes

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Postal: PO Box 1592, Noosaville DC 4566

Email: snosaville@bne.catholic.edu.au

Society of St Vincent de Paul:

- ◆ **Store & Depot Ph 5470 2091**
4 Eenie Creek Road, Noosaville 4566
- ◆ **Family Support Office Ph 5449 9980**
- ◆ 4 Eenie Creek Road, Noosaville 4566
- After Hours Mobile Ph 0400 956 146**
- ◆ **Email: olps4565@svdpqld.org.au**

Centacare Catholic Family Services

Bernard House, 21 Cornmeal Parade, Maroochydore 4558 **Ph 5430 9300**

E: cfrs.sunshinecoast@bne.centacare.net.au

Ozcare - Home for the Aged

80 Cooyar Street, Noosa Heads

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1st SUNDAY of ADVENT (Year B) 29th November 2020

This weekend Readings – 1st Sunday of Advent (Year B)
Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Next weekend Readings: 2nd Sun of Advent (Year B)
Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pet 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

OPENING HYMN: JOYFUL IN HOPE

1. Joyful in hope your people pray.
Joyful in hope we're on our way.
Though the road may not be clear,
We believe, Lord, you are near
In the smile and open heart of a friend.
2. Joyful in hope, your people pray.
Joyful in hope, we're on our way.
There's sunshine after rain;
There's victory through the pain;
And I am with you always, so rise again.
3. Mary, So open to the Lord,
When you answered, "Yes"
Our hope was restored.
Though you couldn't understand,
In trust you took God's hand.
So joyful in hope, we live again.
4. Joyful in hope your people pray.
Joyful in hope we're on our way.
Though the road may not be clear,
We believe, Lord, you are near
In the smile and open heart of a friend.



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM RESPONSE:

Lord, make us turn to you,
let us see your face and we shall be saved.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

OFFERTORY: BE ON YOUR GUARD

Be on your guard and stay awake.
I will return, so stay awake.
You know not when, so stay awake
Until I come again.

Jesus we stand awaiting you.
Watching in prayer, proclaiming you.
You are the light of all the world.
We pray your kingdom come. (Sing 4 times)

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COMMUNION: BREAD OF LIFE, HOPE OF THE WORLD

**Ref: Bread of life, hope of the world,
Jesus Christ, our brother;
Feed us now, give us life,
Lead us to one another.**

1. As we proclaim your death,
As we recall your life,
We remember your promise
To return again.
2. The bread we break and share
Was scattered once as grain:
Just as now it is gathered,
Make your people one.
3. We eat this living bread,
We drink this saving cup:
Sign of hope in our broken world,
Source of lasting love.
4. Hold us in unity,
In love for all to see;
That the world may believe in you,
God of all who live.
5. You are the bread of peace,
You are the wine of joy,
Broken now for your people,
Poured in endless love.

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THANKSGIVING: Silent reflection

FINAL HYMN: A VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS

**Ref: A voice in the wilderness calls to prepare,
For we are standing on the edge of changes.
Across the desert sand and the mountain high
The Lord is coming. Make your way!**

1. I will hear what the Lord will say;
A voice of peace for all his people.
His voice is never far from those who know
His glory dwelling in our land.
2. Faithfulness and mercy have met;
Peace and justice have embraced here.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
And justice look down from the sky.
3. The Lord, our God, will make us grow
The earth will bring its fruits in all its splendour.
Justice marches on before he comes
And peace will follow in his way.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION A

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your
Resurrection until you come again.**

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