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Fr Richard Ross PP

Dear Parish Family,

With further easing of restrictions by the State Government, we are now able to suspend the booking system for Mass attendance. I can hear the sighs of relief! However, I must emphasise that we still have limits on the number who can attend Mass according to the size of the particular church building. It is unlikely that we will reach those limits in the near future as people have been slow to return to large gatherings, but I need to state this nonetheless. In the meantime, while all are welcome, it remains a personal decision for each of you as to when you feel safe to return to Mass. The hygiene protocols will continue to be observed, and we are still required to encourage social distancing at Mass, so I urge you all to respect each other's personal space. We will also continue to live stream the 8.30am Mass from John Paul II Church every Sunday on the Parish Facebook page. We are also required to maintain a register of attendance, so your patience and co-operation with the volunteers in this regard would be appreciated.

It has been a torrid and tumultuous time for the entire community, and we are far from finished with the consequences of this virus. Medical authorities continue to remind us that further outbreaks can be expected, and the economic impact will be felt for many years to come. Our thoughts now turn to those members of our community who have lost jobs and been plunged into economic uncertainty through the course of recent months. The Vinnies Winter Appeal along with our newly reinvigorated sense of neighbourliness ought see us reach out in support of those families under financial pressure.

As we pause at this moment on the journey, we offer prayers of gratitude for our political and community leaders who have led with courage and clarity through this crisis. As we look to the mayhem and loss of life in other countries, we once again give thanks that we live in this beautiful and isolated corner of the world.

Closer to home, we also remember in prayer Yvonne Thiessen (Crosby) who died this week. Yvonne was an organist in this parish for many years and used her musical gifts to enhance our parish liturgy with great generosity. May Yvonne now rest in the peace of Christ.

Have a wonderful week,

Fr Richard

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Thank you for supporting the St Vincent de Paul Society's winter appeal. Donations can be made by visiting vinnies.org.au or by calling 13 18 12 or by EFT to the St Vincent de Paul Society Bank CBA BSB:067 601 Account Number 10178303. Envelopes are also available at all churches and on the reading table outside the office.

PREGNANCY COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT TASMANIA

Seeking volunteers in your area to provide practical assistance and emotional support to pregnant women and new mothers in your community. For more information please contact us 10am to 2pm weekdays Phone: **62242291** or email: admin@pcstas.org.au

THE SWAG this edition is not available in print form but can be found at theswag.org.au/winter2020

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	6:00 pm Church of the Incarnation (Reconciliation 5:30)
Sunday	8:30 am John Paul II (Live streamed)
	10:30 am Corpus Christi
	6:00 pm Corpus Christi

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Wednesday	12:00 pm Church of the Incarnation
Thursday	12:00pm John Paul II
Friday	9:30 am Corpus Christi

Parish newsletter, Catholic Standard newspaper and Australian Catholic magazine available on the reading table outside the Parish Office.

Next week's Readings: Zech 9:9-10; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25