



## **Ss Peter and Paul's Catholic Parish**

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**WEEKEND MASSES HAVE BEEN  
TEMPORARY SUSPENDED DUE TO THE  
COVID 19 PANDEMIC**

### ***Our Vision***

*We are a Catholic Community who profess, celebrate and witness that Jesus lives, and to whom the Father sends His Spirit. We express that belief by living out and spreading the message of the Gospel.*

## **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

### **13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of June 2020 – Year A**

Emma was a high school girl. One day she returned home from school very upset and went straight to her room and locked herself in. Something had upset her. No one knew what happened. Her parents tried to find out what had happened but to no avail. Day by day the situation started becoming worse. This was really worrying her parents. They took her to a counselor but nothing changed. Emma's mother was becoming even more worried at this point and shared this with Emma's grandmother. Emma's grandmother shared a secret therapy with Emma's mother. Emma's mother did exactly what she was asked to do. Surprisingly, that worked. This was what Emma's mother did. One evening Emma's mother went to Emma's room, sat close to her quietly and gently embraced her, held her close to her heart for a long time. Emma's mother did not say a word. What words could not accomplish, a silent embrace did. Emma slowly came back to normal from that moment on. She went on to become the top in her class.

This is what is happening with the Eucharist in our life. God physically embraces us. Before leaving this world, Jesus gave us the Eucharist with which he can hold us close to his heart. In our busy lives, in our worries about health, families and the future of our children or with our other issues we need God's touch frequently in our life.

As we see in John's gospel the beloved disciples reclining on the chest of Jesus, during the last supper, in the Eucharist, Jesus gives us, physically, a chest to lean on, to nurture at, to feel safe and secure.

In life we all need to look for a chest or shoulder to lie on times of fear, anxiety, struggles, sorrow, frustrations, or when we feel lost. We have one in the Eucharist.

### **Resumption of Weekend Masses**

Currently we are closed for weekend masses due to the limitations of the number of people allowed to gather. The current intention is that when the numbers are lifted to 50, that we will resume weekend mass, maintaining social distancing and hygiene rules at all times.

Logistics are currently being worked on. We will keep all parishioners informed of this as more information comes to hand. Any revision to the weekend mass times will of course only be temporary during these unusual times. Thank you for your patience during this period.

## Resumption of Weekday Morning Mass

As of the 31st of May 2020 restrictions on gatherings at places of worship and ceremonies were eased:

- Places of worship can open for private worship or small religious ceremonies for up to 20 people in a single undivided indoor space, subject to the four square metre rule plus the minimum number of people reasonably required to perform the service or ceremony.
- In view of this, from Tuesday the 2nd of June, 20 parishioners were allowed at our morning masses. **Following recent instructions received this week, pre-booking your attendance is still required. YOU CAN BOOK YOUR ATTENDANCE VIA OUR TRYBOOKING SITE. The link is : <https://www.trybooking.com/BJZMC> and you will be able to book for either the 16<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> of June. Booking is now open.**
- You will still need to adhere to the social distancing rules . We also ask , that if you are feeling unwell to please keep safe at home and do not attend.
- For those who would like to book a regular weekly space, please do let Liza in the Parish Office know, and she will arrange this for you. You can also email Liza on [doncastereast@cam.org.au](mailto:doncastereast@cam.org.au) to let her know.
- These masses will still be available on Zoom as normal.
- At this point in time, weekend masses are still suspended.

Day	Mass Centre - 9.00am	Zoom Video Available
Tuesdays	SSPP	Yes
Wednesday	OLOP	Yes
Thursday	SSPP	Yes
Friday	OLOP	Yes
Saturday	SSPP	Yes

### Prayers of the Community

**Our Prayers are asked for those who died recently: and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially** Phoebe Zavinia Smith, Yoke Lin Lee, Aida Ghali, Mary Brann, Pamela Cavicchia, Marie O'Donoghue, Irene Murrya, Brenda Maffei, Antonio Benedetti, Jane Caroline Mayfield, Maria Viglione, John McNamara, Gaetano Biffi, William Pagliarella, Antonio Morabito,

**For those who are sick:** Paul O'Connor, Emily Patrikis, Madeline Gilmore, Dan McMahon, Teresita Leung, June Webster, Joel Pemberton, Angela Selva, Anthoula Miras, Danny and Alice Zanon, Margaret Jansen, Teresa Talia, Mary Ritus, Lois Norton Old, Salaka Hewamaduma, Priyanthi Perera, Josh Davis, Maree Spinks, Joyce Foo, Peter Wilkinson, Audrey O'Connor, Tai Thomas, Pat Carty, Khek Hong Tan, Choi Yeng Chew, Marie Simpson, Catherine Poon, Ann Weerappah, Bronwyn Burke, Filomena Fusco, Carmenza Cruz, Alicia Nivia, Frank Prendergast, Joan O'Hanrahan, Remi Vulich, Mary Tancredi, Irma Ciccotelli, Jovina Ebell, Gina Giracona, Dr Hong Nguyen, Cesare Iozzi, Ian Stuart, Carlos Caballero.

## Plenary Council

Due to COVID-19, the First Assembly of the Plenary Council which was due to be held in October 2020 in Adelaide was postponed. It has now been decided to hold the First Assembly in October 2021, still in Adelaide. That means that the Second Assembly will now be held in April 2022 in Sydney. However, preparation for the Plenary Council continues and the Discernment Papers from the Writing Groups for each of the six Themes have been completed. These papers will form the basis for the agenda for the Plenary Council. The papers can be viewed on the Plenary Council website.

## Parish Office

Following recent advice received, the Parish office will be shut once again and employees will be working from home. We can still be contacted via our Parish Mobile of 0473873479 or on Doncastereast@cam.org.au. Thank you for your patience during this time. .

## St Vincent De Paul

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting St Vinnies during this challenging time by dropping off supplies to the Parish Office or leaving in the church.

- They are however running out of Long Life Milk especially at the moment and if you are able, could you add a few more to your shopping list for the Vinnies Store cupboard. Could we kindly ask you to ensure that this has a long life expiry.
- Also a big thank you to all who have been bringing donations for the Vinnies Charity bin. Could we however ask you to please ensure that any donation is brought into the church and left at the bin. We have been finding a few bags left by the Church doors outside and this can be unsightly.

## Weekly Parish Emails

We hope that you have all been able to receive our weekly Parish Emails . We are aware that there have been some issues with parishioners not receiving this. These emails are sent out via MailChimp- a popular marketing automation platform. If you have not been receiving these emails, could we ask if you could check your spam folders or if you could check the settings in your email inbox and "allow" emails from mailchimp and donvale@cam.org.au.

## **Ss Peter and Paul's School**

Our School is back!  
Help spread the word that enrolments are now open for 2021.  
Please call the school to book a tour.



**Ss Peter & Paul's  
Primary School  
Doncaster East**

**WE ARE BACK  
ONSITE**





O Immaculate Mary, Help of Christians, Queen of heaven and earth, and tender Mother of humanity, at this time when a pandemic threatens all your children, we entrust to you our nation, Australia, and all who live in this country.

We commit to your intercession all the members of our community, beginning with the weakest ones, from the unborn to the sick, the disabled and the elderly.

We commit to you our families, our young and old, and all who are vulnerable, those who are quarantined or anxious.

We entrust to your Immaculate Heart those who have lost their livelihood or employment, our pastors and other essential service workers, and our leaders at this time.

We implore your intercession especially for the protection of doctors and nurses and those who minister to the contagious sick in this crisis.

Reign over us, Mother of God, and teach us how to make the Heart of Jesus reign and triumph in us and around us, as it has reigned and triumphed in you!

24 / 25 May 2020