



# Toowoomba Muslim Newsletter

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### Eid ul Fitr 2022 Celebration

Eid ul Fitr 2022 was celebrated in Toowoomba on Monday, 2 May at the Darling Height State School Auditorium. A large number of Muslims including women and children participated in the Eid prayers with Takbir starting at 6:45am. Suits were shared with the community after the Eid prayers. Imam Mohammad Aminul Islam delivered the Eid Khutbah (sermon), and President of Islamic Society of Toowoomba, Professor Shahjahan Khan informed the community about various activities of the community, especially about the progress in the reconstruction work of burnt Toowoomba Mosque.



*In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful*

Islamic Society of Toowoomba

## EID MUBARAK

*Eid-ul-Fitr prayers*

**Eid Date:** Monday, 02 May 2022  
**Eid Prayer Time:** Takbir starts at 6:45am. Prayer starts 7:15am  
**Venue:** Auditorium, Darling Heights State School, opposite of 60 Wuth St  
**No parking** inside the property of the venue. Lots of street free parking around the place  
**Bring your** Prayer mats/carpet, sweets, cakes etc  
**Society Provides:** Plates, serviettes, water etc  
**Separate Entrance:** Main entrance for women and other one (through kitchen) for men  
**Shoes:** Take off at the entrance, carry inside the hall and place beside the walls  
**Cleaning after Salat:** Please help clean the place after the salat and sweet

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 Facebook: [www.facebook.com/ToowoombaMosque](https://www.facebook.com/ToowoombaMosque)  
 217 West St, Harristown QLD 4350

### Ramadan Activities at Mosque

As the Covid-19 restrictions were relaxed, Muslims returned to the Mosque for breaking fast – Iftar and Dinner. The children who participated in the night prayers were rewarded with special gift from some members of the community. Respected Br Osman Edreas and Imam Mohammad Aminul Islam advised the congregation.





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### Fundraising Ifter-Dinner

Alhamdulillah, Final Stage work for reconstruction of burnt Toowoomba Masjid started in the first week of April 2022. The estimated cost is \$350,000, and the current shortfall at that time was \$95,000. With generous donations of Muslims in Ramadan we are able to achieve this goal. The Muslim community in Toowoomba pledged around \$75,000 in the Fundraising Ifter-Dinner on 8 April 2022 held in the Darling Heights State School Auditorium.

We also received about \$20,000 from a Jumma collection of Southport Mosque in Gold Coast, and about \$12,000 from Lutwyche Mosque in Brisbane. Special thank you to Br Mohamed Ali and Dr M Mohsin for leading the teams to the two Mosques and the members of their teams. May Allah accept the charity of all donors and reward them with increase riziq and highest place in Jannatul Ferdous. Jazak Allah Khair for everyone's duwa and support for a burnt house of Allah.

Contributions to the Reconstructions of Toowoomba Mosque Project can be made via the CBA account of Toowoomba Islamic Charitable Trust: [BSB #064459, A/C # 1034 1586](#)



### Reconstruction Works in Progress

The Brisbane based company, Q1 Building Services and Maintenance Pty Ltd, has started the Final Stage work of the reconstruction of Toowoomba Mosque. Dr Humayun Kabir, the founder of the company has organised civil contractor and concreter to complete the retaining walls, driveways, and carparking. The earth moving and filling of the old pool area have been completed. The surveying for the retaining wall has also been done last week.

The concreter has now started setting the reinforcement for concreting around the new Mosque building. They also have prepared everything for completing the retaining walls on the northern side of the building and in the middle of the carpark.

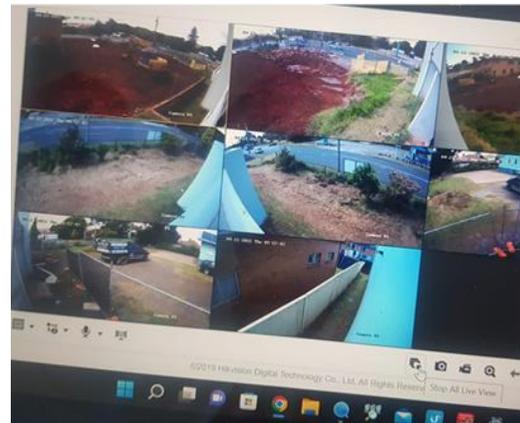
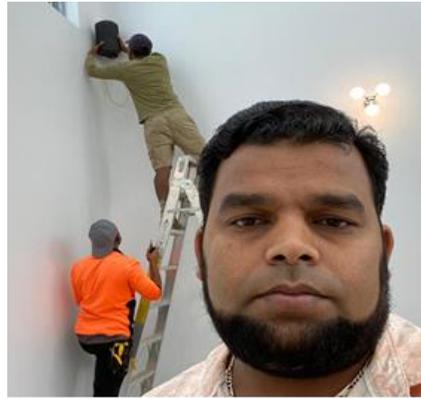




## Security and Sound System Installations

The sound system including mics and speakers have been installed by Br Omar Edreas and his team. This system will cover all areas of the Mosque.

The closed-circuit cameras and alarm system have been set up by the security company. This part of the job is funded by a Federal Govt grant. The Safer Community Grant will also cover the cost of fencing around the Mosque property.



## Chandelier for Main Hall and Mehrib

The chandelier for the main hall of the mosque is on its way to Toowoomba from China. The three metres diameter decorative attraction for the Mosque was designed, guided and ordered by Adnun A Khan. He has also designed the outer fabrication of the Mehrib for the Mosque. Both items are on track to be shipped from China later this month.



## Islamic Cloths and Product Shop

The ARCH Collections, a Brisbane based Islamic cloths and products shop, had a stall at the Toowoomba Mosque on Friday, 15 April 2022 around the Jumma prayers time. Many members of the community showed interest in the attractive items in of the stall.





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### Blood Donation Camp at Toowoomba Mosque

A blood donation camp was held at Toowoomba Mosque on Friday, 01 April 2022. The event was organised by the Islamic Society of Toowoomba in collaboration with Australian Red Cross and Australian Islamic Medical Association. Thirteen volunteered registered to donate blood on that day. The daily Toowoomba Chronicle covered the story on 4 April 2022.



### Abrahamic Faiths Gathering on Wednesday, 18 May 2022

The next quarterly gathering of Abrahamic Faiths group will be held at 5:45pm on Wednesday, 18 May 2022 in the Auditorium of St Anthony's Church, 3 Memory St, Harristown. The topic of discussions for this gathering is 'Why we are in this world?' Halal meal will be provided. Everyone is invited.

### Engagements with Abrahamic Religions



## Abrahamic Faiths Gathering

Date: Wednesday, 18th May 2022

Time: 5.45pm, followed by light dinner

Venue: St Anthony's Community Hall,  
3 Memory Street, Toowoomba Qld 4350

The evening will begin with a short presentation by each faith group on "Why are we here in this world?"

- Dr Shahjahan Khan, President of Islamic Society of Toowoomba.
- Ariel Heber, President and Community Liaison, Queensland Jewish Community Services Inc.
- Bishop Cameron Venables, Anglican Church of Australia, Bishop of the Western Region.

For further information please contact,

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### Toowoomba Mosque Madrasa and Language Class Timetable

The classes on Islam and Basic Arabic are held from 4:00pm until after Magrib (40 minutes each lesson) every week from Monday to Thursday. For details, please contact Br Abdu Mohamed on 0469026540.

The Arabic Language classes are held from 4:00pm on every Friday and Saturday. For details, please contact Br Omar AlSakit on 0434284241.

Bangla Language classes are held on Saturdays at 11:00am. For details, please contact Br Kabir Ahmad on 0424591316.

### Community Services

- Halal Meat Delivery – Contact Br Murad on 04 0669 1749
- Toowoomba Police Contact Officer Tony Rehn 04 1269 7555
- 1800 RESPECT [www.1800respect.org.au](http://www.1800respect.org.au)  
Support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic or family violence and abuse. Interpreter 13 14 50
- Business advertisement contact: [Shahjahan.Khan@usq.edu.au](mailto:Shahjahan.Khan@usq.edu.au)

### Communication with Mosque via Technology

Sharing your story: [Shahjahan.Khan@usq.edu.au](mailto:Shahjahan.Khan@usq.edu.au) (If you have a story to be included in the Muslim Community Newsletter please contact Prof Shahjahan Khan)

General contact email: [admin@toowoombamosque.com.au](mailto:admin@toowoombamosque.com.au)

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WhatsApp: Toowoomba Mosque Matters / MSA Toowoomba

Madrasah: via Zoom, Meeting ID: 379 889 2083