

### Boolaroo—Warners Bay and Booragul Parishes

Children's Liturgy is held normally at the **9:00am** Mass on Sunday mornings during school terms but has been suspended during the Covid 19 crisis. When Children's Liturgy is conducted, the leaders have current New Working with Children Check clearances, are registered with the parish office and verified by the Diocese. The Office of Safeguarding in the Diocese, the Diocese itself and our Parishes of Boolaroo/Warners Bay and Booragul have policies and protocols in place to respond unambiguously to the need to provide for the safety of children. See the noticeboards for more details.

#### Excerpts from a Decree by Bishop William Wright.

*"And so I decree that: **A Perpetual Day of Remembrance Sunday**, a Feast Day, is to be inscribed into the Diocesan Liturgical Calendar to be held on the Sunday on or prior to the 15th of September. The readings and proper to be used are those prepared from the Lectionary and Missal by the Diocesan Liturgy Council"*

*This particular law is promulgated by its publication on the diocesan website (CIC83 c. 8). A petition for revocation or emendation of this decree is subject to canons CIC831732-1739, anything to the contrary notwithstanding"...Bishop William Wright*

*"**Shine the Light of Christ** To draw a line of continuity with Child Protection Week, you are invited you to begin the Perpetual Day of Remembrance with a Shine the Light of Christ Vigil. You are invited to turn/leave on a light on Saturday night September 12, the last day of Child Protection Week and the Vigil Mass for Perpetual Day of Remembrance Sunday and to continue this practice through to and including Monday night September 14.*

*As a faith community, it is important for all of us to recognise that this day responds to a deep need in some of our brothers and sisters. As members of the community of Jesus' disciples – irrespective of our affiliation with the worshipping community – we stand together, with survivors, against all forms of abuse and for cultural change that will promote fullness of life for all. Sr. Louise Gannon RSJ *Manager Worship and Prayer – Pastoral Ministries**

**Prayer for the Perpetual Day of Remembrance** Copies are available in the foyer.

**The Season of Creation** is a time to renew relationships with our Creator and all creation through repenting, repairing, and rejoicing together. During the Season of Creation, we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. There are a number of resources and online events you can access this September. For more information visit the following sites. *Seasons of Creation-* <https://seasonofcreation.org/> *Catholic Earthcare-* <https://catholicearthcare.org.au/2015/08/season-of-creation-september-1-october-4/> *A Catholic Season of Creation –* Sundays of September- <https://www.columban.org.au/media-and-publications/educational-resources/a-catholic-season-of-creation-sundays-of-september-year-a>

**Buried in Treasures** is designed for people who are overwhelmed by hoarding and possessions and who find it difficult or distressing to discard items. It also helps people who are not able to use the space in their home as they want to, due to excessive clutter. The program is being run by Catholic Healthcare's Hoarding and Squalor team. It is free and consists of weekly two-hour long online group workshops, run over a period of 15 weeks, to enable consistent progress. As part of the course, the Buried in Treasures facilitator also supports participants by providing optional one-on-one home-visits to implement skills and techniques learned in the group session. Buried in Treasures is government-funded under the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP). To be eligible for CHSP you need to be aged 50+, and have a tendency to accumulate excessive items, or find it difficult to part with them, then this program is for you. You do not need to be formally assessed as having hoarding disorder in order to attend. You need to live in Australia and be eligible for the government's Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP). Staff will assist you with registering for CHSP, if you haven't done so already. For more information on Buried in Treasures or to register visit the website or check out the noticeboard.

<https://www.catholichealthcare.com.au/events/buried-in-treasures-support-groups/>

Check the notice board for further information. The activities in this bulletin are endorsed by our parishes as part of the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle.

**Status of Weekend Masses.** People need to pre register via the website (preferably) or phone for the weekend of the 19th/20 September **from Tuesday (from 9:00am)** and no later than the **Thursday NOON** and subsequently the same process will apply for each weekend. On the above mentioned days, see the

**"Registration form for weekend Masses"**

button on the home page . If you can't see the button, refresh your page. *Social Distancing requirements apply both inside and outside our Churches.*

Each weekend people who have pre registered have their names and details ticked off, use sanitiser and be directed to allocated seating.

***If you wish to wear a face mask during Mass, please do so – the Premier of NSW has encouraged us strongly, to seriously consider doing so. If your seat allocation is at the end of the row, could you please make every effort to sit at the end of the row. Couples are encouraged not to spread out too much, so the Social Distancing requirements can be respected.***

#### **The usual Weekday Masses Schedule**

Tuesday 9:00am at St Michael's Booragul. .  
Wednesday 9:00am at Our Lady Help of Christians Boolaroo.  
Thursday 9:30am at St Mary's Warners Bay.

Obviously, a number of conditions apply in reference to social distancing, sanitising, ticking off of names and phone numbers etc. Registered volunteers attending can assist in the fulfilling of these conditions by being monitors.

***It is very important to note that all parishioners who are at risk, the elderly, those with compromised health and those who are sick, feeling unwell etc.***

***are encouraged seriously to consider refraining from attending Mass at any time.***

**Bishop Bill Wright has continued the dispensation** from the obligation to attend weekend Mass to all parishioners.

**Please take your bulletin home** with you-they should not be left in the Churches.

**Next Weekend** there will be an opportunity to support the Holy Land Collection which was missed due to no Good Friday collection earlier this year.

**Let us pray** for the sick, including Karen Roberts, Wayne Landers, Arian Hampton, Mary Hammond, Leila Grew, Sarah Williams, Nick Gibson, Philomena O'Neill, Matt Lanigan, Neville Betts, Barry Maggs, James Grew, Greg Adam, Allan Baxter, Anthony Rigby, Colin and Elizabeth Oaten, Bayly Turner, Anne Keating, Sharna, Veronica Hipwell, John Evans, Pam Mason, Delma Clarke, Winston Aslin, Maria Terwkar, Kristie Porters, Narelle Lackenby, Reuben Neilson, David Owens, Jacqueline Smith, Rebecca Reid and Margaret Mullins.

*(If you know that any of the above names can come off the list, please let the office know).*

***We pray for those who have died recently particularly Dawn McHugh. We pray too for Bernard Rowen, Francis Murphy, Maureen Grinstead, Bernard Gouge, Margaret Grew, Robert Keith Baldwin, Harold Christie and all those whom we remember fondly at this time.***

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ABN for parish of Boolaroo/Warners Bay Parish is 29 084 970 430. ABN for Maitland

Newcastle Diocesan Trust Fund (re. tax receipts) is 46 167 334 530.

ABN for Booragul Parish is 17 725 561 225

**Any parishioner wishing to join the Planned Giving Program, please fill in the brochure in the envelope in the foyer of the Church or contact Fr. Brian on 4958 2031. PARENTS of Catholic School children, remember you have the choice of donating the amount of the Diocesan School Building Levy (for which you are charged on your fees for 2020 onwards), to our Parish instead. Donations can be given by direct debit and credit card facilities—forms are in the foyer. Ring us - we can talk you through it.**