

**Boolaroo—Warners Bay and Booragul Parishes**  
**There are no weekend or weekday masses in the parishes of**  
**Boolaroo/Warners Bay and Booragul.**

**Change in Restrictions re Church visitation.** We are able to open up the Churches for private visitations. *No more than ten people* are allowed at any one time and those people are required to maintain social distancing regulations (4 Square Metres). Specific seating for such visits have been set up in the Churches, so unfortunately, visitors won't be able to sit where ever they would like in the Church. The times of opening must be monitored by someone, ensuring that hand sanitiser is used, that the social distancing regulations are in place and that the seating (area) used is disinfected after each person's visit. Visits should be brief. Sign in details will have to be entered for each visitor (including your name, phone number and email address).

It was hoped to open

- *St Michael's Booragul* from 10am to Noon on Tuesdays
- *Our Lady Help of Christians Boolaroo (Speers Point)* from 10:00am to Noon on Wednesdays
- *St. Mary's Warners Bay* on Thursdays from 10:00am to Noon, (Use the top gate)  
*OLHC Boolaroo (Speers Point)* Sundays from 9:30am till 11:30am.

At this stage, on a skeleton list of monitors we can have **Boolaroo and Warners Bay** open according to the above schedule. However, we do need some more monitors for the above hours. If you can spend some time as a monitor, can you email me with your day and time options? Monitors will have to be registered volunteers.

If you are thinking of volunteering, it might be worthwhile to consider whether your health status might mean deciding **not** to volunteer (or visit), despite the goodness of your heart in wishing to help out. Nothing is simple and straightforward these days!!!

**On the day on which you would like to visit, please check the homepage on the website because there may be funerals arranged in the periods mentioned above.**

**Celebrations of weekday and weekend Masses remain suspended.**

Thank you. Fr Brian.

**The Bishop will be celebrating Sunday mass at 9:30am.** ([www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/](http://www.mn.catholic.org.au/places/live-stream/)). *You might have to right click and select Open hyperlink.* I

**I notice that Bishop Brian Mascord** is doing the same but it is at 9:00am. Check the Diocese of Wollongong website.

**Foxtel 173 Aurora.** If you are fortunate to have Foxtel, I understand there is a daily Mass broadcast at about 10:00am. Check your guides.

**The Diocesan Website** is a helpful resource at this time  
<https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/>

**If you need to contact Fr. Brian** or need him to come and celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick because you or your loved one's health is diminishing, please do so. Just give the office/presbytery a ring. 4958 2031

**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.**

**Thank you** to those who, since the suspension of Masses commenced, have made contributions through one means or another to the First and Second Collections. For those who can't do as these people have done, could you save up your normal giving over these weeks, to "hit" the collection plates when things return to normal - that would be truly wonderful. As well, of course, you could drop your contributions off at the Parish Office. For those who are not in the Planned Giving Program or those who receive weekly envelopes, this would be a wonderful time to join the large number of people who give electronically. **An electronic form is on the website under the button "Donations".**

**The Rosary** is a specially good accompaniment for times like this, especially in a month of Mary, May. If you're unsure about the "how" to pray the Rosary go to: <https://www.rosarycenter.org/homepage-2/rosary/how-to-pray-the-rosary/> (*You might have to right click and select Open hyperlink.*)

**Notice from Sean Tynan, Director of Safeguarding** The Office of the Children's Guardian is presenting a free webinar (with multiple sessions) designed for faith-based organisation. The webinar runs for 90 minutes and will: Increase your understanding of the new Children's Guardian Act and how it impacts child related organisations in NSW. Build your awareness of the Child Safe Standards and understand how prevention is key to keeping children safe in organisations. Learn the changes to the Reportable Conduct scheme and what organisations need to do to comply with the new requirements. Interested parties can register to 'attend' the webinar online at: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/4846616875362836236>

**Week of Prayer for Christianity Unity** 24– 31 May. You might download the World Day of Prayer for Christian Unity <https://www.ncca.org.au/faith-and-unity-resources>  
**Check out** <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/liturgy/covid-19-supplementary-prayer-resources>

Also see **Liturgy Brisbane website** at

<https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/prepare/sunday-readings-and-family-prayer/>

**Let us pray** for the sick, including 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, Sharma, Veronica Hipwell, John Evans, Pam Mason, Delma Clarke, Winston Aslin, Ryder Withers, 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. We pray too for 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 and we can talk you through it.**