

Dear All,

In collaboration with the Parish Council, I am exploring sustainable options for our faith community to develop a Sunday worship rhythm under sustained COVID-19 restrictions.

One of the lovely problems that we have in the parish - is that there are too many of us! This means that we are limited (maybe more than some) in the way we are able to gather as a faith community.

You will remember that we were very clear after the initial closing of church doors that given the opportunity to return to worship we would:

- a) Endeavour to gather as 'one body' - the parish united,
- b) Ensure that no-one would be turned away,
- c) Ensure that we would comply with all protocols and procedures to keep people safe and do our best in restricting COVID community transmission.

The following survey will offer you some 'preference options' regarding what is possible under current 'Third Step Restrictions'. I will do my very best to ensure that congregational members and their family and/or friends are able to find a life-giving opportunity to continue to develop their faith and provide a 'transition' during uncertain times. We need to adapt and respond to the unknown future determined by Govt Health Authorities and directives.

IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SURVEY - that's completely fine!

If you do not respond, you will not be considered on the outdoor service roster. Congregational members WILL NOT BE ABLE TO JUST TURN UP ON THE DAY.

Things to note:

1. I am making a personal assumption that the Church doors are unlikely to open before Christmas - and if so, not long before this wonderful feast.
2. The reality of us being able to gather as one parish faith community in the immediate future is most probably impossible under current rhetoric and cautious nature of the Premier and even myself.
3. **Under current restrictions - a worship service can be conducted for up to 10 persons outdoors with the addition of ONE leader.**
4. No services will be offered in church or parish centre.
5. ZOOM Church will still be offered at 10.30am on Sunday morning.
6. **Services will be provided on a rostered basis. We will gather on the grassed area between church and parish centre.**
7. Regarding the 'worship service' I am proposing:
 - a) Holy Communion WILL NOT be offered, nor celebrated.
 - b) It will run for approx 45 mins - and will follow our ZOOM Church format which includes: a Hymn/song, Opening prayers, OT & Gospel reading, reflection and discussion, time for prayer, close.
 - c) No fellowship in the form of refreshments or food will be offered. You are able to bring your own coffee/tea to have during the service.
 - d) People who do not have access to ZOOM will be given preference.

Please return the survey to Rev James ASAP via mail, email, or bucket at back door.
You can also fill in the survey online: <https://zfrmz.com.au/B9VsRXPIAnsrL9QXF6RK>
(You can also phone him with your response if you prefer)

Sunday Worship Survey - Third Step Restrictions OCTOBER 2020

Name: _____

Best Contact: Ph: _____ E: _____

(Please circle or highlight your answer)

Would you like to attend an outdoor service on Sunday for up to 10 persons:

YES NO

If 'YES' what time would you prefer?

9.30am 12.00pm 5.00pm

Would you like to bring a family member or friend to this service:

YES NO If 'YES' - how many? 1 2 3 or more

I would be willing to LEAD an outdoor service:

YES NO

Would you like to attend an outdoor service at Areegra at 12.00pm for up to 10 persons:

YES NO

Would you like to bring a family member or friend to this service:

YES NO If 'YES' - how many? 1 2 3 or more

If not Sunday, would you attend an outdoor service on Tuesday at 6.00pm:

YES NO

Would this be an addition to Sunday or Alternative: *(Note: depending on responses people may not be able to attend both Sunday and Tuesday services)*

Addition Alternative I am happy to alternate each week/fortnight

I am willing to wait until I can attend a service in the church/parish centre:

YES NO

I have access to ZOOM Church:

YES NO

If 'YES' I would like to join an outdoor service if room or it is possible:

YES NO

*We would like to offer a 'worship opportunity' as soon as 18th October if possible.
Most probably (and realistically) we would begin the weekend of 25th October.*