



# EDMONTON CATHOLIC PARISH

St Thérèse Church

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**Schools**

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**Safeguarding Rep:** Eddy Tutoe – 0478 904 600

*Kirby & Eddy are happy to receive ideas about how we keep our parishioners safe, and listen to your concerns about safeguarding. They will deal with all matters sensitively and confidentially.*

**Reconciliation:**

By appointment

**Gordonvale Sunday Masses**

Masses suspended until further notice

**Edmonton Sunday Masses**

Masses suspended until further notice

**For Service times across the Diocese:** 40511990 or [www.cairns.catholic.org.au](http://www.cairns.catholic.org.au)

***A Welcoming Parish: Under the patronage of St Thérèse of Lisieux***

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| <b>Sun 12/4</b>  | <b>Easter Sunday</b><br>9.30am Mass live streamed from Parish Centre – see Parish Website | <b>Thurs 16/4</b> | 7.30am Mass-Cancelled until further notice   |
| <b>Mon 13/3</b>  |   | <b>Fri 17/4</b>   |  |
| <b>Tues 14/3</b> | 7.30am Mass –Cancelled until further notice   | <b>Sat 18/4</b>   |  |
| <b>Wed 15/4</b>  | 6.00pm Mass-Cancelled until further notice  | <b>Sun 19/4</b>   | <b>Second Sunday of Easter</b><br>9.30 am Mass live streamed from Parish Centre – See Parish Website |



**R.I.P.** Lord of Life raise up in glory all those who have died recently especially Deacon Peter Olsen, Madison Tam and Vera Prince, those for whom we are asked to pray and those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Nathan Faulks, Sister Colombieri, William Goggin, Leonardo Spina, Gregorio Basso,

Bishop Thomas Cahill, Jack Jerrard, Barbara Culanti, Fr Tom Jones, Matthew Mauro and Genaro Arbiato

**We acknowledge the Yidinji (Yidiny) people, our land's traditional stewards and custodians.**

## Communion @ Home

If you are aware of people who would benefit from communion at home, please contact Fr Karel to discuss. It could be possible to provide communion, under special circumstances, to be reserved at home: frail, aged, families.

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## Stay Connected – Phone/Email a Friend

Make sure you keep in regular contact with other parishioners, friends and colleagues, vulnerable people at this time ... to make sure they are calm and safe. Call others for assistance if necessary.

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## Sunday Mass 9.30 am - Live Streamed from the Parish Meeting Room.

Information about other live streaming elsewhere, including prayer resources/links and other helpful resources, is available on our web site.

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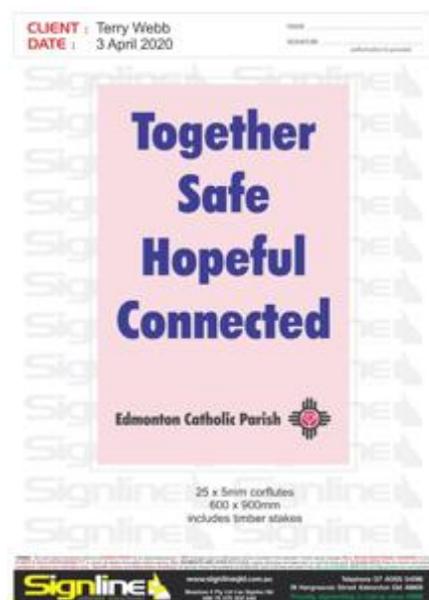
## Weekly Parish Newsletters

... will continue to be available on our parish website. Hard copies will be available outside the church or at the parish office. Stay in touch! Information is moving fast.

## Messaging the Word as Action

In the current pandemic crisis, it is important that we all continue to do our good part in letting people know that while the church buildings may be closed, the Church (each one of us) is open for the business of life ... opening our hearts to the homeless and vulnerable, and doing whatever we can to make sure the gospel stays alive in us and witnessed to the lives of our neighbours.

As a serious, not just symbolic, gesture of solidarity, we have commissioned 20 coreflutes (including timber stakes) to be placed across our local area.



## Pics From Home

It would be great to have a pic each week of *parishioners @ home* to put on our website ... showing us what you are doing during your isolation at this time: gardening, playing games, innovative dramatic exercises, musicals, just a great smile etc. Be creative! A few words describing what you are up to, and a message to others, would be useful and well received.



Wishing you all a very Blessed and safe Easter-may the miracle of Easter bring you love, joy & happiness to last a lifetime.

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## Ten Ignatian Tips for Coping with Coronavirus: a spirituality for strange times.

by Brendan McManus SJ

### 2/10. Face your fears

Though fear, anxiety, and worry are normal responses to the current situation, it's important to not let them take over.

Fear is not a good counselor or guide, taken to its extreme it is crippling and immobilizing. Ignatius recommends acting directly against unhelpful forces such as fear that can motivate us to make poor decisions. His term for this is 'agere contra', which means 'to act against'. The key thing to get here is that Ignatius is urging us to push back, to be proactive and not to give up. This could be summed up as: 'feel the fear and do the best thing anyway'. Contemplate your mortality and the fragility of life that this crisis points to. The paradox is that accepting this fact allows us to really live and to act appropriately.

Every day is a gift, a loan from the future. It's a miracle that we exist at all. Normally we are so busy 'living' that we take the gift of life for granted. We are held and loved by the divine. Take a moment to let this life-giving realisation sink in. There is nothing to be afraid of. In fact, we have a chance to put our affairs in order here, to take stock, to acknowledge failures and triumphs, and to see the hand of the Spirit here. Reflect on the question posed by poet Mary Oliver, "What will you do with your one wild and precious life?"

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### 'This is our life for now. Yes.

And **human connection** is alive and well.

**Empathy and compassion** are alive and well.

**Beauty and gladness** are alive and well.

**Sanctuary** is alive and well.

**Ministry** is alive and well.

**Spontaneous gestures of kindness** are alive & well

**Music from the heart** is alive and well.

*Terry Hershey Sabbath Moment - Glad to be alive*