## TEMPORARY CHANGES WHILST CHURCHES ARE CLOSED

#### - WEEKEND MASS -

Weekend Mass is live streamed via Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/olowparishemuplains/ or just google something like Facebook
Emu Plains parish - from 6pm every Saturday. It will continue to be available afterwards on
Facebook - and also from later Saturday night in a Weekend Parish Blog post
(Blog mentioned below)

## -DAILY PARISH BLOG -

Please be welcome in the online Parish Blog space—catholicparishemuplains.org.au - Select 'BLOG' from the menu items then 'VIEW MORE' to see daily posts of info, prayer and reflection in easy to access date order. Contact is welcome via

Phone: 4735 1041 or Email: emuplains@parracatholic.org

# FOR YOUR PERSONAL BIBLE STUDY:

READINGS FOR THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD—24TH MAY 2020. (1ST & 2ND READINGS) ACTS 1: 1-11; EPH 1:17-23; GOSPEL MATTHEW 28: 16-20

We're all in this together!!! If we can help you in any way please contact us. Our parish office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9am—4pm.

Blessings to you all Chrissy, Fr. Paul and your Parish Pastoral Council.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, which include no church gatherings many of you are unable to access the poor box inside the church to make donations. If you would like to make a donation to *Vinnies*, the Parish office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday—9.am—4pm. Put your donation into an envelope marked ST. VINCENT DE PAUL and leave at the Parish Office.

Thank you - Barry Harris President of Our Lady of the Way Emu Plains Conference.

#### **PARISH TEAM**

Paul Roberts<br/>Parish PriestGeorge Bryan<br/>DeaconChris Rannaste<br/>Parish SecretaryJohn Cowen<br/>Parish Pastoral<br/>Council ChairpersonJim Prendergast<br/>Finance Committee<br/>Chairperson

#### **CONTACT US**

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### **SACRAMENTS**

Please contact Parish Office 4735 1041. **R.C.LA:** The process for adults interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church.



# OUR LADY OF THE WAY PARISH EMU PLAINS

What does the LORD require of you but to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with your God MICAH 6:8

Pope Francis invites us, during this month of *MAY (THE MONTH OF MARY)* to unite our prayers with believers around the world asking for Mary's intercession in stopping the coronavirus pandemic.

Help us, mother of Divine love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger O glorious and Blessed Virgin. Amen.

# A CHRISTIAN PRAYER IN UNION WITH CREATION—BY POPE FRANCIS.

Father, we praise you with all your creatures. They came forth from your all-powerful hand; they are yours, filled with your presence and your tender love. Praise be to you!

Son of God, Jesus, through you all things were made. You were formed in the womb of Mary our Mother, you became part of this earth, and you gazed upon this world with human eyes. Today you are alive in every creature in your risen glory. Praise be to you!

Holy Spirit, by your light you guide this world towards the Father's love and accompany creation as it groans in travail. You also dwell in our hearts and you inspire us to do what is good. Praise be to you!

Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love, teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of you. Awaken our praise and thankfulness for every being that you have made. Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined to everything that is.

God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth, for not one of them is forgotten in your sight. Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference, that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live.

The poor and the earth are crying out. O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future, for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty. Praise be to you! Amen

**FR. PAUL'S BLOG NOTICE: FOR AN UPDATE ON OUR WAY FORWARD.** With the easing of Covid restrictions, Fr. Paul has been seeking consultation with parish leadership committees as to how a mid week step forward, in terms of church openings, might be facilitated. Please check out Fr. Paul's written message or listen to the recording.

Blessings to all!!

# Please pray for those who are sick in our community:

Grace Perry, Kevin Rose, Karen Gulliksen, Harry Beasley, Maddison Farrugia, Leone Kirton Vicki Wells, Mark Simmonds, Max Scott, Anita Glynn, Libby Lawson, Paul Dalton, Shirley & Les Coburn, Michelle Gardam, Jacqui Walker, Mary Berkout, Patricia Knoke, Brian Payne, Mervin McCaster, Marie Mahoney, Jeffrey Ridley, Habib Kaltoum Rahme, Michael Mercieca, Carmen Smith, Beryl Page, Frances Payne, Val Smith, Barbara Grant, Gregory Clare, Judy Chesters, Paul Cudmore, Angela Lonergan, Emma Woods, Brian O'Hara, Bruce Gillett, Denis Woodward, Ray Dukes, Lyn Hodder, Barbara Grant, Mavis Thompson, Nathalie Dhyon, Pam & Mike Sayer, Terry Simpkin, Nicole Unsal, John Von Schomburg David Green, Debra Gleeson.