

# Our Lady of Fatima Church

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Dear Parishioners and friends of Our Lady of Fatima Parish, South Wagga

Since the weekend of 4/5 July, we have been limited to 90 people at our Church for services—a government restriction of **4 sq m** per person. Last Monday, 7 December 2020, that distancing restriction has been reduced to **2 sq m** per person and so we can now have **180 people** at any of our mass on Sunday. Alleluia!! The experience of coming to church has changed so much since COVID-19—signing in for masses, hand sanitizing, cleaning the pews after mass, no collections or offertory processions—just to name a few of the changes.

## CHRISTMAS 2020

Christmas 2020 will be the first chance many people will have to re-connect with church services. Our parish wants this to be a good experience. The Parish Pastoral Council have organized the following services for people at Christmas:

**Christmas Eve: 7pm mass** on the Henschke Oval as usual. You will **NOT** need to book in for this mass but you will need to sign in as you arrive. Donation opportunities will be available at each of the check in points. Please bring your own chairs/rugs.

**9pm mass** in the Fatima church. You will need to book in for that (see link below), register on arrival and hand sanitise. **Maximum 180 attendees.** Donation opportunities will be available at the entrance to the church.

**Christmas day:** 8.30am and 10.30am masses will be held in the **Henschke Hall**. No mass at St Patrick's Uranquinty on Christmas Day. You will need to book in for that (see link below), register on arrival and hand sanitise. **Maximum 400 attendees.** Donation opportunities will be available at the entrance to the church.

**Booking link** for Christmas masses <https://compasstix.com/e/dr1n0eud64>

**We are now able to sing at mass! Alleluia!!**

Thanks to the work of Greg Robertson, we are still recording our Sunday masses. You can find them on our Facebook page OLOF South Wagga or go to the website [www.olof.waggamatters.com](http://www.olof.waggamatters.com) and view our Sunday masses at a time that suits you.

Again, I thank you, on behalf of the parish, for your continued strong financial support of our parish during this COVID-19 time. Our parishioners have been very generous in giving to the parish and I want to thank you for your individual and collective generosity.

Please be assured of our continued prayers for you at this time of Advent and please do not hesitate to contact the parish if you require any assistance.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Paddy Sykes'.

Fr Paddy Sykes PP