

## *From The Churchwardens*

# COVID 19 UPDATE

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30 December 2020

Since we last communicated with you– the infections in this latest round of COVID19 has clearly widened to include a number of upper North Shore towns and villages including locations in Hornsby, Waitara, Turramurra and Gordon. In addition there are warnings our for some shops in the Macquarie centre.. We would encourage you to visit the extensive list that is available on the NSW health web site at [www.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au) .

With this in mind and in consideration of the current restrictions of numbers and NSW health recommendations – after consultation with the Op-Shop Organisers – the Churchwardens have reluctantly decided to cancel the next scheduled Op-Shop on 9 January. At this stage therefore – the next Op-Shop will be held on the 30<sup>th</sup> January.

As regards services – the 8.00am in-person service is still scheduled – however pre-registration and declaration is required – and all attendees should carefully check the daily list of “hot-spots” on the NSW Health website and if you have visited these sites or been in contact with someone who has, or if you have any cold-like symptoms – please get tested for COVID19 and do not attend the in-person service - instead enjoy the on-line service at 9.30am. If you do attend then the current measures (as required or recommended by NSW Health) will apply including:

- Re-declaration on arrival that you have and no contact with any of the hot spots and have no symptoms
- Wearing of masks at all times
- No singing or responses
- Social distancing within the pews,

The 9.30am in-person service will continue to be “on-line” only for the time being.

If you are more vulnerable to the effects of COVID19 (due to age or health reasons) we encourage you to ensure your safety by staying at home and continue enjoying the wonderful service put together by Fr. Ernest and the sanctuary team. If you need any help or would just like to Have a Yarn (HAY) – then please don't hesitate to contact Cynthia in the office. Similarly we also have the “Helping Us Group” in operation to assist with any small jobs like changing bulbs or fixing taps or other minor handyman work.

We will be carefully monitoring the NSW Health and premier's recommendations and requests as well as advice from the Diocese and will keep you informed if this changes before Sunday.

### **The Church Wardens**

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