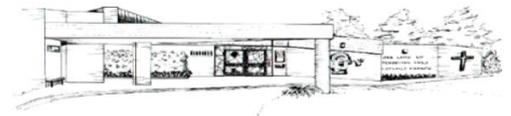




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Dear Parishioner

Keeping Our Parish Secure: Now and in The Future

We are living through extraordinary times.

In all my years as a priest I have never experienced the suspension of public Masses or Parish gatherings.

I know for so many parishioners this is a cause for great sorrow, particularly as we approach the great feasts of Easter.

However, we do need to steel ourselves for the Coronavirus crisis to last for months – and for its impact to touch every household.

Despite these challenges, we cannot lose heart. The work of the Church will continue.

The work of our parish will and must go on, even if in different forms.

Already, right across the Archdiocese new ways of praying and worshipping are being developed. Using the great benefit of modern technology, we can access Mass in our homes via the internet. Mass is streamed live from St Patrick's Cathedral seven days a week. It is also recorded so it can be watched later "on-demand".

<https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>

To continue to operate, your parish requires funding.

The Archdiocese is helping where it can. It has worked with the Catholic Development Fund (CDF) to provide loan relief for the next six months. Archbishop Peter has also waived our quarterly contribution to support the works of the Archdiocese.

While such measures help to limit our outgoings, raising revenue is in our own hands.

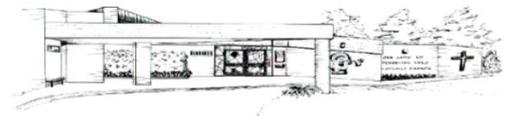
This is a difficult issue to raise given that we are entering uncertain economic times, the financial effects of which are already evident. I appreciate whatever our parishioners can provide and understand that those in difficulty may need to review their level of support.



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With No Public Masses, There Are No Collections.

This is creating a significant shortfall in our revenue and reducing our ability to meet our financial commitments.

Our principal source of funding comes from our planned giving contributors. Not only is this a wonderful gift, it is a gift we can rely and plan around.

If you haven't already, please consider contributing to sacrificial giving by:

- Making a Direct Deposit through your own banks on-line banking.

Our account details are:

1st Collection (Fr Joe) -

OLPH Dromana Presbytery Account BSB 083 347 Acc No: 904378858

2nd Collection

Dromana OLPH Church Account BSB 083 347 Acc No: 650781814

Please include your name or envelope number (if you have one) as the reference.

- Direct Debit. - see PDF Application Form for downloading.
- Depositing your sacrificial envelope in the Presbytery Office Letterbox
- On-Line Portal – [CDFpay for Our Lady of Perpetual Help](#)

For those already contributing by any of the above methods, I am deeply grateful for your contributions. It means the work of the Parish can continue in these difficult days. Thank you for your commitment to the parish. It is deeply appreciated.

✍ Fr Joe