



Dear Sisters and Brothers:

No doubt you have heard, or will soon hear of the decision taken today across the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania to cease all gatherings of more than 10 people, which includes stopping gathering together for our normal Sunday services, for an indefinite period of time due to the ongoing Corona Virus (Covid-19) pandemic.

Please be assured that this is not a decision that has been taken lightly, but is a decision that is taken in the best interests of all Tasmanians, and most especially those who are most vulnerable in our community. I have attached a Pastoral letter from Bishop Richard with some more details.

Within our Parish, the following activities are postponed indefinitely:

LEGO Club	Family Together	Beer, BBQ and Blokes
Sunday 9am services	Craft groups	Aged Care Visiting
Aged Care Services	Sunday evening worship and Bible Study	
Coffee, Cake, Connect	Breakfast Ministry	Choir

The current Lenten Bible Studies, KYB and Meander Bible Study groups may continue if they wish, but I encourage all involved to maintain good social distancing and practice good personal hygiene. I also request that no food is shared at these gatherings (a cup of tea or coffee is ok, but shared food plates should be avoided).

I am currently working to organise ways that we can gather in smaller groups to worship, read the bible, and pray together on Sunday mornings, using a live streamed gathering. This will be finalised by Friday and you will receive an invitation for a location that you can access this in a small group, and instructions on how you can access from home if you would prefer not to gather with others (this is especially important if you are in the higher risk categories).

In the coming days, we are also organising Pastoral care so that we are able to communicate regularly and effectively with one another – don't be surprised to receive a regular phone call from one of our Parish Council or Ministry team checking in to see how you are 😊

I do apologise for needing to do this via letter, but timely communication is important!

Please call me, on 0438681404 if you have any further questions, otherwise I will be in touch before 5pm Friday with further details.

Knowing and trusting in the goodness of God, and confident of his love for us,
I remain yours, in His service

Rev. Joshua Skeat