
The Cathedral Coronavirus Chronicle



St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney — 30 July 2021 — Nineteenth edition

“thoughts . . . for thinking”

Dear Cathedral Parishioners and friends all, Greetings from Cathedral House, which is both a workplace and a residence, and thus it can be a bit confusing navigating the various Covid-safe practices required by the Public Health Orders. I think I'm safe not wearing a mask in my own little apartment, or in our dining room, but if I pop through the door into my office for a moment, the mask should be on. But if I close the office door, does that mean I can take off the mask?

And if I go out on a visit to someone to give pastoral care – as the rules allow priests to do – when I come back to my home, which is also a workplace, do I have to scan the QR Code before I

go to my ensuite? It's a dilemma.

I went out to do some essential grocery shopping during the week, and noticed the toilet paper aisle was once again empty. This is a phenomenon I simply cannot understand. Fortunately, we have an ample supply.

The burden of “lockdown” is comparatively light for us in the House, and much heavier for so many families, singles, young and old, in the community. We're aware of this, and you are in our prayers. We want to help people in any way we can, so please do not hesitate to call or email. And please do “join” us daily for the livestreams of Mass and Evening Prayer, if you find that helpful.

This coming Tuesday, 3rd August, is the anniversary of the death of Cardinal Edward Clancy, 7th Archbishop of Sydney, in 2014. Please remember our former shepherd in your prayers that day.

Finally, as I write this, it is only 148 days until Christmas. My new book on the stained glass windows of our cathedral is finished and at the printer, so your decision as to what gift to give people this year will be easy.

God bless,

Fr Don Richardson, Dean,

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Sydney.*

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