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Due to the developing COVID-19 situation, we have made the decision to postpone Parish Leadership Development Day. We felt that the event would be more effective at a time when the current health concerns have passed and we are ready to again focus on drawing new people into our communities. We will be in touch about a date, but we expect it to be in August or September depending on how the situation unfolds. Watch this space!

In the meantime, one of our great challenges is that in a time of necessary 'social distancing' (which actually means physical distancing) it is important that we – the Church – are intentional about creating social connection. An unintentional consequence of the COVID-19 situation for many of our parishioners is isolation, loneliness, disconnection and the breakdown of the most powerful symbol of the Church – the gathering of people around the Eucharist. As such, where possible, we need to work creatively in order to continue to connect with our parishioners through online platforms. At this time, it is crucial that parishioners can continue to encounter Jesus, feel connected, loved, cared for and listened to. This will be one of the key focuses of Evangelisation Brisbane over the coming months and we will look to develop resources to support this.

We look forward to catching you later in the year at the Parish Leadership Development Day and will be in touch as online resources are developed to support parishes during the COVID-19 situation.

May the God of peace calm our anxiety, heal our world and by his perfect love, drive out all fear.

In Christ,

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