



## SYCHAR RURAL LIBRARIES



One important dimension of SYCHAR House of Prayer and Spirituality based in Toowoomba is its library of quality spirituality books and media spirituality resources. These have been generously donated by religious communities, the Catholic Resource Centre (CSO) and a number of individuals who recognise the value of good reading in developing a life of faith.

SYCHAR Rural Libraries are sub-libraries of the SYCHAR Spirituality Library which is housed in the SYCHAR House of Prayer and Spirituality in Toowoomba. The purpose for their establishment is to facilitate access to these resources for people in the rural areas of the diocese.

All books and resources made available via the Rural Library remain the property of SYCHAR House of Prayer and Spirituality.

### HOW SYCHAR RURAL LIBRARIES WORK

1. A parish, region or deanery wishing to access resources through the SYCHAR Rural Library requires the commitment of a person willing to act as librarian for their small library of approximately 25 resources (books and media).
2. The rural librarians will have a selection of books/media for their rural library signed out to them from SYCHAR in Toowoomba for a length of time determined in consultation with the central librarians.
3. The rural librarians will act as custodians for the resources, taking responsibility for signing books/media resources out to local borrowers and ensuring their return after a suitable time.
4. At the agreed time or earlier, the rural librarian for a particular area organises for the return of resources to SYCHAR in Toowoomba where they will be repaired if needed and made accessible to others. New resources will be made available to the rural library according to their needs.

*If your parish is interested in arranging for a Rural Library, please contact [Sychar-library@outlook.com](mailto:Sychar-library@outlook.com)*