

Resuming the celebration of Public Masses at the churches of the Holy Family and Christ the King.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR BISHOP'S INSTRUCTION - WHICH IS IN LINE WITH GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE (IN PLACE HERE FROM SATURDAY, 11th JULY 2020)

- **FROM SUNDAY, 9th AUGUST EVERYONE ATTENDING ANY PLACE OF WORSHIP FOR A SERVICE MUST WEAR A FACE COVERING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF THE LAND** (Exceptions will be made only for people who have medical issues which would present difficulties for them wearing a face covering and for children who are under the age of eleven, as in accordance with the Law of the Land)**
- When entering church, a steward will greet you and invite you to sanitize your hands (this is obligatory), and ask for your name and contact number for the NHS Test and Track system (necessary - details are kept for 21 days only under data protection rules. This is the norm at the moment in any public arena). The stewards will indicate to you where you can sit. The place is marked with a yellow indicator. Please keep your distance with the other person on your bench.
- Maximum safe capacity is only **28** in the Holy Family Church and **16** at Christ the King Church using the 2 metre Safe-Distancing recommendation or more if a family is sitting together. **Unfortunately, when we have reached the safe capacity limit you will not be able to enter church for Mass.**
- To ease the pressure on Sundays, please consider attending Mass on a weekday if you can, as there is still ***NO SUNDAY OBLIGATION***.
- Please also consider how often you register for Mass. It may be possible once a week, but it might need to be less frequent so that as many people as possible may attend over a period of time. Please **DO NOT** block book.
- **Use of toilets will not be possible.**
- There will be no music or congregational singing. Readers are asked to volunteer at whichever Mass they attend (let the Priest know before Mass) **AND SHOULD WEAR SINGLE-USE GLOVES PROVIDED.**
- There will be no homily.
- There will be **NO PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL** (Intercessions)
- You will be able to make an offering to the parish in a basket as you leave church as no formal collection will be taken.
- Congregation should not exchange the Sign of Peace. After the words "Lord I am not worthy....." the Priest will hold up the Host to the Congregation and say audibly "**The Body of Christ**" and then hold up the chalice and say "**The Blood of Christ**", to which the congregation respond in each case "**Amen.**"
- Holy Communion will be given by the priest and only under one kind (Host) **IN THE HAND** and will be given and received silently.
- People should come for Communion at a 2 metre distance to the person in front and approach the Priest with arms at full stretch to preserve the safe distance between them and the Priest.
- They should then immediately return to their seat. The Priest will recite the Prayer after Holy Communion, then give the Blessing and Dismissal.
- Please do not stop in the porch for social interaction, go outside. Ideally, you would sanitize your hands again on leaving.