

## Guidelines for Parishioners

1. Parking is on the road, in the rough ground by the old stables or in the nearby pub car park. Please be mindful of social distancing. People not from the same household should not share transport.
2. All under 16s should be accompanied by an adult. Please supervise young children whilst in church.
3. Government guidance states that those who fall in the clinically vulnerable category includes those aged over 70, and this group is advised to stay at home as much as possible. If they do go out they are advised to take as much care as possible to minimise contact with others outside their household.
4. **Please bring a mask with you** and put it on before entering church.
5. Please follow instructions given by the stewards and observe social distancing of 2m at all times.
6. Please use hand sanitiser as you enter and leave the church.
7. As our church is very small we will only allow one person or household to enter church at a time to avoid congestion at the back of church. Please give your name to the steward and go straight to the next available pew near the front of the church.
8. Please do not congregate in the aisle or at the back of church.
9. Please do not wander around the church. Stay in your pew. Please do not touch any statues, votive lights or hymn books.
10. Please note that access to the choir loft, sanctuary, sacristy and parish rooms is not permitted.
11. There will be no servers, welcomers, Eucharistic ministers, no singing, no Prayers of the Faithful and no votive lights. A collection basket will be left at the back of church for donations on exit. Donations can also be made via the Mass booking website.
12. There will be a single reader who will conduct their ministry from aisle at the front of church. There will not be any Mass sheets so it is suggested that you print these off from the email you receive weekly or the parish website.
13. Kneelers will be out of use. Please sit or stand.
14. There will be no sign of peace that involves contact. We suggest you simply nod and say 'peace be with you'.
15. One toilet will be available for use. Please accompany young children.

## Instructions for Parishioners for Receiving Holy Communion

1. After 'Behold the Lamb of God ..... I am not worthy.....' the Celebrant will elevate the Host and say 'the Body of Christ' to which the congregation should respond 'Amen' and then he will do the same with the chalice 'The Blood of Christ' ..... 'Amen'.
2. The Celebrant receives from the single large host and the chalice.
3. The Celebrant then sanitises his hands then purifies his vessels.
4. He then pauses in silence, prays the Prayer after Communion, gives the Blessing and Dismissal.
5. Holy Communion is then distributed by the Celebrant without the 'The Body of Christ', and the congregation's 'Amen' being necessary. The Celebrant will take Communion to each communicant in their place starting at the back of the church and working forward. The communicant should remove their mask just before receiving communion.
6. Communion is given in the hand only and with the communicant standing. Both Priest and communicant should extend their arms fully to allow for social distancing. The host is dropped into the hand from just above the palm, so as to avoid physical contact.
7. Parishioners requiring a blessing should indicate this by crossing their arms over their chest. The Celebrant will remain 2m distant.
8. Once Holy Communion has been received you are required to leave the church immediately by the rear door. Please do not stop to socialise inside the church.
9. You will be able to gather socially distanced outside after Mass if you wish, but all government guidelines on Covid 19-safe conduct must still be adhered to.