

ASCENSION CHURCH BATH

OPENING FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP

Key notes for safe management of our main church building for our usual Sunday worship as we move on further through the Covid-19 pandemic:

(Other events may have different arrangements as they are separately Risk Assessed)

as you arrive

- Please try and arrive in good time as getting people through the door and into the church will take longer than usual.
- A steward will welcome you as you arrive
- Please keep a good distance from others as you approach the church and enter the porch. Yellow marker lines 2m apart are outside the church porch to remind you
- For track and trace purposes, please give your name and contact number on the sheet in the porch (under 13s - parents can do this for you) on the sheet provided; or simply scan the QR code by the sign in sheet
- Wall mounted sanitizers are there to use on the way in and out. They are located in the porch, by the office, and outside the toilet

during the service

- Since 5th December 21 all are required to wear face-coverings (unless exempt or under 11) including when singing (except for the choir)
- we have arranged the seating in 2 areas:
 1. an area for those who wish or need to continue to keep a greater social distance from others and be nearer direct ventilation. This is at the rear of the church from the Font forwards to the signs showing the end of the area.
 2. a larger area of chairs that are closer together, although still a little distanced to remind us of the need to respect distance from others.
- We will continue to keep the building well ventilated, including through winter
- Cash offerings will be possible in the usual bowl, although giving on-line is safer for us

coffee and toilets

- For now, we will not be sharing coffee after the service. We hope this will change soon and we can manage to open the coffee station safely under Covid-19 guidance.
- The toilets in the church will be open. Please use the wall sanitizer mounted outside the toilet door for your hands both before and after using the toilet. There are clear instructions in the toilet on how to clean the surfaces after each use, sanitizer and antibacterial soap etc. Please use paper towels and dispose of in the bin provided.

worship when children are present

- sometimes there are more children and their families present. We are mindful that children need to retain good distance from adults other than their families and make arrangements of furniture and the activities accordingly
- There are no longer any legal restrictions on children and youth groups, and it is no longer required to keep children in 'bubbles'. However, we ensure sensible cleaning and hygiene practices such as use of hand sanitiser gel, separate materials for each child etc.