

Requirements for those attending for private prayer

- ✧ Please DO NOT enter the Church grounds if you, or someone in your household are displaying any symptoms of Co-vid 19 : A high temperature or New, continuous cough or Loss, or change, to your sense of taste or smell. You must stay at home you.
- ✧ All parishioners entering the church will be recommended to use a face covering at all times to minimise the risk of spreading the virus to all present. Please bring your own.
- ✧ Alcohol-based hand gel will be available and MUST be used on entry and departure from the church.
- ✧ Any handkerchiefs or tissues shall be taken off the premises.
- ✧ Personal possessions should be kept to a minimum and should be taken away on leaving the church.
- ✧ Any items found during cleaning shall be disposed of and shall not be deposited in any lost property.
- ✧ NO CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 16 are permitted into the Church without supervision of a Parent. While children are unlikely to become very ill, they are capable of both being infected by the virus and of spreading it. Parents or guardians bringing children into a church should not be discouraged from doing so, but it will be important for parents to manage their children appropriately, particularly ensuring they touch as few surfaces as possible for their own safety.
- ✧ If you fall ill after worshipping at church you should inform the parish of your circumstances (giving details, if possible, of the time and date of your visits to the church).
- ✧ Toilet facilities will be closed to prevent any risk of transmission of infection.

Candles

Lighting candles is an important part of Catholic prayer and therefore every effort has been made to facilitate the lighting of votive candles. There will be an opportunity to light a candle, each Church will have instruction regarding this. The following should be adhered too:

- ✧ Anyone queuing to light a candle, must stay at least 2 meters apart from the person in front.
- ✧ Do not pray over the candle stand as others will be wanting to light a candle also.
- ✧ Do not try and blow out any candles as this can lead to infection.

What to expect

- ✧ When arriving at Church you will be met by one of the marshals, you may be asked to queue outside, please ensure you queue in the designated area and adhere to social-distancing guidelines.
- ✧ When entering you must use hand sanitiser provided.
- ✧ If you would like to leave an offering, collection points will be available in Church. If you have signed gift aid declaration please ensure your offering is in an envelope clearly marked with your Name or Envelope No.
- ✧ You will be directed into church by one of the marshals and asked to sit a designated pew. You will see there is a one-way system in place and that many area of the Church are “Out of bounds” You will also see that you cannot touch any of the statues
- ✧ When you are ready to leave church you will need to follow the one-way system to exit the Church safely, a marshal will be on hand to assist.
- ✧ Ensure you use the hand sanitiser provided on your way out.