

Covid update – 18 Jan 2022

As covid continues to be a concern, and as there appears to be some confusion, we have decided that until further notice Holy Communion will be administered in one kind only. This applies to all masses in the parish.

We will continue to keep the ciborium closed on the altar, so that those receiving Holy Communion can be assured that no aerosol particles have come into contact with the host.

We will keep the situation under review and restore the common cup as soon as it is safe and sensible to do so.

As you are no doubt aware, the wearing of face coverings in churches is now mandatory. Otherwise we will try to proceed with our worship as normal.

Please remember to show due caution. Please do use the hand sanitizer available at the entrances to all the churches. If you have any symptoms which may be covid-19, or have been in contact with somebody diagnosed and have not yet had a PCR test, please stay away.

Please remember that there are areas in all the churches which have been set aside for those who wish to take particular care. These are the Sacrament chapel at St Peter's, the side aisles and chairs at St Mary's, and the left (north) side of the aisle at St Laurence's. People sitting in these areas are expected to wear face coverings and to maintain social distance. They can expect in turn that others will respect their decision to be cautious, and not breach social distance or sit in these areas without wearing a face covering. In this way we are seeking to allow individuals to make their own choices as to the degree of caution they wish to show, and allowing everyone to have their choice respected.