



Introduction

As seen in many walks of our daily life, COVID-19 has also had a far-reaching effect on the way we go to Mass. St Winefride's have prepared this leaflet to answer some questions which you may be asking yourselves.

Changes

- All Holy Water stoups are dry to prevent transfer of infection.
- Hand sanitiser dispensers have been fitted and you are expected to use these on entry to and exit from the church.
- You will be greeted by a one-way system, shown by markings on the floor, cordoned off areas within the church and allocated seating points.
- **Please follow the directions from the stewards.**
- Kneelers are covered in fabric and harder to sanitise. Please be seated and stand only during mass.
- Any worship aids (missalettes etc.) should be for single use and taken with the user when the Mass ends. They should **NOT** be left in the church at the end of Mass.
- Do **NOT** bring in your own Missals etc. into church for the time being.

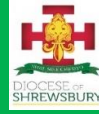
How many people are allowed in church?

- The maximum occupancy of this church is 64 (individual) 70 (including household/social bubble).
- All seating within the church will be on a first come, first served basis, allocated by volunteer stewards.
- If queues start to develop to enter the church, please respect a 2m distance between one another whilst you are being sorted.
- If you are asked to queue please follow the disabled ramp at 2m spacing, proceeding towards the corner of the house and towards the road, on the pathway, if necessary.

Will I have to wear a facemask?

Face **coverings** are compulsory for everyone 11 years old and over except in the following circumstances:

- People with breathing difficulties
- People with disabilities
- Anyone with someone who relies on lip reading
- Young children should have adult supervision when wearing a face covering



How long will the Mass last?

- Due to restrictions imposed, there will be no congregational singing at Mass. The Mass length will be about 30 minutes

How often will the church be cleaned?

- The volunteer stewards will clean the church after each Mass

How will the offertory work?

- There will be no offertory procession of the gifts of bread and wine to the altar, though a collection box for cash offerings to be placed at the entrance to church. However parishioners are encouraged to make their donation to the church online or via standing order.

How will Communion work?

- Communion will be given at the usual position within the Mass.
- Parishioners from individual benches will then be guided by stewards.
- Please wait for the steward's invitation before going for communion or to exit the church.
- Please make sure you wear your face covering apart from when receiving the host.
- Standing, the communicant, with outstretched arms and flattened, stacked hands will receive the host.
- The communicant will then follow the one-way system back to their seat.

Toilets

- In line with government guidelines, **no** toilet facilities will be available at church.