

St. Michael's Church is maintaining a Christian presence in our community, serving the community, sharing the faith and offering a sanctuary for prayer and worship.

St. Michael's Church Pelsall has reviewed public worship in the light of new guidance from the Church of England. 21.7.21

It is a Holy Communion which will last for approximately 60 minutes. The PCC take the view that as a church we must model the expected behaviour which reflects both individual and corporate responsibility required during the pandemic if we are to keep people safe and reduce transmission. In order that you feel comfortable on your visit we ask you please to take note of some of the following guidance which the PCC endorse and highly recommend whilst in the church building.

- Entrance is through the normal foyer doors and **exit is via the West door**
- Hand sanitizer is available on entry which **must** be used before entering the church and on exit
- Chairs are placed according to social distancing and are allocated for you to ease flow of movement around the church building
- Toilets, coffee area, kitchen and parish office for the present moment are restricted areas.
- Holy Communion will be in one kind and will be given into the hands with arms outstretched (if possible)
- Congregation will remain seated throughout the service including during the receiving of the Sacrament

- Congregational singing and responses are to be re- introduced gradually but must be accompanied with mask wearing to prevent and reduce transmission.
- There is no physical exchange of the peace so people remain in their seat to share the peace in more creative ways
- **Wearing of masks is expected and highly recommended unless you have an exemption**

This is our first attempt to review our provision of public worship. We are applying a cautious and measured approach supported with an ongoing review system. Seating will be limited although we intend to cater for as many as feasibly possible. **Therefore it will be helpful and useful if you please make contact with Rev. Alison by 12 noon Friday each week if you intend to come.**

If you are coming as a couple and wish to sit together or as a family group do please indicate so that we can allocate those seats in line with the recommendations. So if there are any questions do please contact Rev. Alison, the Parish Wardens and Jill Cumpston the PA. Contact can be made via the church email - stmichaelschurchpelsall@gmail.com or on the parish office landline on 01922 685666.

Rev. Alison M. Morris