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## Arrangements for Sunday worship in church

During the coronavirus pandemic lockdown we plan to offer BCP Holy Communion/ Morning Prayer at 09.00 at St James' each Sunday. It will be a 30-minute service with psalms, readings and prayers (no preach).

The following *Covid-safe* arrangements have been developed from government and Church of England guidance and we trust that you will cooperate to make them effective. **It is particularly important that people do not stay and mingle after the service. We will review arrangements on an ongoing basis.**

- The capacity of St James' for the 09.00 has been assessed as 28 individuals occupying opposite ends of 14 pews;
- Members of the same household can share a pew and this may increase our capacity marginally;
- Please arrive in good time for the service and expect to queue outside the north door;
- Please wear a face covering when queuing and during the service;
- We will record the name and contact telephone number of all attendees and keep these securely for 21 days to facilitate 'track and trace' if this becomes necessary;
- We will be operating a one-way system in the church building and exit will be via the west door. Worshippers will remain in their places during the service;
- We are not able to offer coffee after the services, but the Parish Centre will be open for access to the toilets only.
- **Please note:**
  - You should not attend if you are in a 'clinically extremely vulnerable' group (see below). Each person has a responsibility to assess their own vulnerability;
  - Anyone showing symptoms of COVID-19 (a new continuous cough, a high temperature or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell) must not attend;
  - If you take ill while in church, please leave immediately, informing the sidespeople if possible;
  - If you develop symptoms of COVID-19 within 72 hours of attending church, please inform Alison at the Church Office;
  - We may close church if the situation changes. If this happens, we will communicate this via email, telephone and social media.
- **People who are 'clinically vulnerable' include** the over 70s, pregnant women, those with a lung condition that's not severe, heart disease, diabetes, chronic kidney disease, liver disease, a condition affecting the brain or nerves, those who have a high risk of getting infections or who are taking medicine that can affect the immune system.
- **People who are 'clinically extremely vulnerable' include** those who have had an organ transplant, those who have certain cancers or who are having certain cancer treatments, those with a severe lung condition, serious heart condition, those who have a condition, or who are taking medication, that gives them a very high risk of getting infections.

