

# St James, Bishampton

We are looking forward to welcoming you back to St James' this Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August at 11:00am.

This is a Communion service but not quite as we know it.

To fit in with Government regulations and CofE guidance on how to make the church Covid safe we have carried out a risk assessment and will have to follow certain rules:

- Most importantly, if you have any symptoms of COVID-19 – a high temperature, a new continuous cough or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – then please stay at home. Please let us know if we can help.
- PLEASE BRING AND WEAR A FACE MASK unless you have an exemption. This is a legal requirement.
- The church has been cleaned, quarantined and will be well ventilated so please wear extra layers as it may be chillier than normal.
- Please try and arrive between 10:45 and 11:00 to help the stewards who will have more work to do than normal. Please try and maintain 2 metres between other 'bubbles' should a queue form.
- Please thoroughly wash your hands before you visit. Sanitiser should also be used on entering and exiting the church. You will enter through the normal door and exit through the north door, opposite.
- You will be directed which pew to go to. This will be for just you, or up to two others in the same house or bubble. Please sit in the place(s) nearest the walls. This will enable us all to remain 2 meters apart.
- At your seat will be a laminated service sheet which will be cleaned with an anti-viral spray before and after use. The service will also be reproduced on the 'big screen'.
- Also on your seat is a quarantined pen and sheet on which you can add your contact details to aid the Track and Trace process in the unlikely event that proves necessary.
- There will be music during the service, and the words will be displayed on the screen, but please do not sing.
- You will be called up for communion by the steward.
- The priest will sanitise his hands and provide communion bread only.
- There will not be a collection during the service but there will be a box by the exit if you should like to make a contribution. We can also take contactless donations.
- It is great to have fellowship again but let's congregate outside to chat. Unfortunately we are not able to serve drinks etc.
- The toilets are available as always and have been thoroughly cleaned. Extra cleaning materials and paper towels are available to help ensure your safety.

Sorry that this is such a long list but we wanted to help you feel assured that your safety is our top concern.

We very much look forward to seeing you again.