

Emerging from Lock-down: Welcome back to Sunday Mass

When will Sunday Mass resume?

The celebration of **Sunday Mass** will resume from **Sunday 21 March 2021 at 10.00am**.

From what time can I arrive?

The **church doors** will **open at 9.45am**.

Please **enter** the church through the **West Door from Roundhay Road**.

Can everybody just come?

No, at the moment there are **restrictions** to the number of people we are allowed to have in the church building at any one time.

Do I need to book a place?

Yes, **you need to book a place**. We can only welcome you into church if you have booked.

How do I book?

There are three ways:

1. online via the website: www.staidan-leeds.org.uk
2. emailing Mrs Pat Case: enquiries@staidan-leeds.org.uk or
3. phoning the church phone: 07754 450967.

At the time of booking you must let us know **how many people are in your booking** (individual, couple or bubble/family).

Your place is only reserved if you have received a confirmation by email or by phone. If all places are booked up for a particular Sunday, you will have priority for the next Sunday you wish to attend.

What if I feel unwell on Sunday morning?

Please do not come to church if you feel unwell, especially if you experience any COVID19 related symptoms, like a temperature, cough, loss of sense of taste or smell or other cold and flue related symptoms.

Where do I enter into the church?

There is a **One Way system** through church.

You enter the church through the **West Door on Roundhay Road**, and you **leave** the church through the **South Door onto Elford Place West**.

What if I need level access?

You must inform us about your **accessibility needs** at the time of booking and we will make personal arrangements for you.

What do I need to bring?

Please bring along the following:

1. **Personal items** like tissues and personal hand sanitisers, a water bottle if you might require something to drink.
2. A **face mask/covering**

Do I need to wear a face mask/face covering?

Government now **requires face masks to be worn in places of worship by law**. The only exemptions are for clergy leading the service, and people who for health reasons are unable to wear face masks/coverings. Please wear a face mask/covering throughout the service except for when you are reading the lesson, preaching or leading intercessions. See below for Holy Communion.

What will happen when I arrive?

Please wait outside the church, keeping the recommended distance of 2 metres from any other worshippers outside.

You will be invited into church one person/couple/bubble/family at a time.

As you enter, **please use the hand sanitisers provided** at the entrance.

Please pick up a copy of the weekly sheet from the side (and take it home with you after the service).

Please pick up a copy of the relevant Mass booklet from the side. You may take this home and bring it back again the week after.

You can have your **temperature checked** if you wish, but this is not a requirement.

Please make sure we have **correct contact details** for you as part of the government's **track and trace programme** in case we have to contact you after the service.

You will be **shown to your seat(s)**. Please do not linger in the entrance area, please do not mix and mingle with other worshippers inside the building.

Will there be music?

Yes, there will be organ music (or CD music if our organist is unavailable)

Will we be singing?

No, at this point in time, **singing is not permitted in the service**. We are grateful to have the occasional services of a Cantor. The choir will return to their duties as guidelines permit and choir members feel safe to do so.

What about Holy Communion?

Mass will be celebrated and **you will be able to receive Holy Communion**. The priest will follow a strict hygiene protocol, including wearing a face covering for the administration.

The **priest will say to everybody 'The Body of Christ' and we will reply 'Amen' before we come forward** to receive Holy Communion.

You will be invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion after the altar party and servers have received Holy Communion.

As you come forward, please follow the arrows **up the centre aisle and return to your seats via the side aisles**. Please respect people's space and **observe physical distancing**.

You can **remove your face mask/covering for receiving Holy Communion**.

Please **use the hand sanitiser** provided before receiving Holy Communion.

You will receive **Holy Communion in one kind (the consecrated bread only)**.

You will receive **Holy Communion on the hand** (not on the tongue).

The priest will not say anything to you at the time of administration of Holy Communion.

Please **wear your face mask/covering as you return to your seat** and for the remainder of the service.

Can I light a candle?

Yes, you can **light a candle at the Redeemer Statue** in the north aisle. Please light the candle **after the service has finished**. Please **observe physical distancing** at the candle stand. Please be patient with each other.

Will somebody pray with me if I have a personal intention?

Yes, clergy will be available to pray with you after the Mass. They will not be able to lay on hands and will observe a physical distance from you, but they will pray with and for you and for your intentions.

Can I be anointed?

No, at present anointing is only used as part of end of life ministry. **We will pray with you and give you God's blessing.**

What about Holy Water stoups?

The **Holy Water stoups have to remain empty** for the time being. This should not discourage you from marking yourself with the sign of the cross on entering and exiting the building. If you wish to take blessed Holy Water home with you, please bring a filled container with you to church. We will pray with you and bless the water for your use.

What about toilets?

The **accessible toilet in the rotunda** is available for your use. Please maintain good personal hygiene and wash your hands. The toilets in the church hall are not available.

Will there be refreshments?

No, **there will be no refreshments** before, during or after the service.

Will there be food parcels?

No, **there will be no food parcels on Sundays.** The weekly FoodShare has moved to Saturdays 10.30am-12noon. You are very welcome to collect a food parcel any Saturday from the St Aidan's Community Hall.