

Updated Covid response

March 2022

While the Government rules are now no longer mandatory or a legal requirement there are three main recommendations from the Government that we would like to base our response on, these are;

- Let fresh air in if meeting indoors, or meet outside
- Consider wearing a face covering in crowded, enclosed spaces
- [Get tested](#) if you have COVID-19 symptoms, and stay at home if positive

So with that in mind these are our recommendations for Christchurch. (This will remain constantly under review.)

1. We will continue to be considerate of others, this means respecting their choices, and preferences. If people wish to wear masks and/or continue to they are very welcome to do so, but we stress that this is not mandatory.
2. The balcony would remain a socially distanced, covid aware space for those who are anxious or vulnerable, as will the back of the church (near the doors).
3. If we are ill, symptomatic of covid, flu, tummy bugs etc, we will continue to do as we did pre pandemic and rest and remain at home for the recommended amount of time (see nhs advice) rather than risk spreading illness around our Church family, knowing all the negative impacts that can have.
4. Seats will be loosely spaced when practical/possible. (no groups but more space between rows)
5. The Church will remain well ventilated where possible.
6. Small cups are still used in Holy communion.
7. Hand gel and masks are readily available.