

From The Churchwardens

COVID-19 UPDATE

3 November 2020

Nothing has changed since the last update as regards the COVID protocols.

Thank you for your patient compliance despite the annoyance and frustration of pre-registration, mask wearing and silent worship. So far it has kept us safe on the back of the “gold standard” conservative health approach and professional contact tracing of NSW Health which underlies our plan at St John’s. If you would like to return to our in-person service and can make the COVID declarations as regards your health and your lack of potential contact with COVID hot-spot areas—please do so—we would love to see you! Please pre-register by Wednesday each week by phone or e-mail to the church office.

Please also express your thanks to the sidespersons team if you get a chance! Not only have the same small volunteer group co-ordinated every in-person service, including weddings and funerals, without respite, since services recommenced—they have been unswerving in their implementation of the Churchwardens’ safety protocols and done it with a smile on their face and a spring in their step.

Thanks also to Father Ernest, James, Brett and Nicola for their care and determination in making the services meaningful and celebratory each week under challenging circumstances. We are very blessed at St John’s with the quality of our ministry and its supportive music programme.

The Op Shop

As reported previously, the Op Shop has been planned to recommence on 21 November under a conservative COVID plan that has been prepared by the Op Shop team and approved by the Wardens. A key element, however, is the need for 10 COVID marshals to ensure the safety of the customers and staff on the day. If you are not in a COVID-vulnerable group (over 70, immune-compromised or suffering from a chronic disease), we would ask that you consider volunteering for this role.

The final briefing for these marshals will be on Tuesday, 17 November at 5:30PM at the church. So that we can make sure this sale day is a success and safe—if you are able to help—please do it—it won't be an onerous task ...

Please let Jan McLachlan know via phone on 0408 641 037 or on her e-mail at janmclachlan@bigpond.com.

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