



From the office of the Bishop Updated guidelines 25 March 2020

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Let me be brief and as clear as I can be

1. **NO service** of any kind may be held in church
- no communion – no morning or evening prayer – no private prayer
2. **NO gathering of any kind may be held in the parish**
- no small groups – no Bible studies – no Lenten studies – no community groups – no men's groups – no women's gatherings – no groups of people to watch the Sunday service video - nil - nothing
3. **NO funerals** in church buildings
4. **NO funerals** at a graveside or Crematorium Chapel – unless ONLY 10 people are present
5. **NO weddings** unless there is only 5 people present
6. **NO baptisms** – unless a pastoral emergency – these can wait
7. **NO Op Shops** on Church property unless clients may be served outside
8. **NO visiting in nursing homes**
9. **NO home visits**
10. **NO Parish/Community activities in Church Halls**

What CAN we do?

1. **Pray** – pray for an extraordinary limit to the spread; for health care workers and government leaders
2. **Phone people**
- as many people as you like – as many times as you like
3. **Parish Council and Small groups – meet via zoom ONLY** – contact James Daymond 0415 036 144 if you'd like some help
4. **Services for Sunday** – make use of the resources prepared by me
 - a. **A traditional service** – on YouTube – with a printed handout – distributed by email by the end of today
- forward the email to AS many people as you can!!
- or contact Karen Trafford and ask her for a DVD
 - b. **A contemporary service** – available via download from my dropbox – with printed service – link and PDF sent by email by the end of today – forward to as many people as you can!
5. **Write to people** – good old fashioned letter writing – share a passage of Scripture – assure them of your prayers
6. **Assist people** – who may need shopping especially during stage 3 lockdown

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