



St NICOLAS' CHURCH

ABINGDON-ON-THAMES

RESUMPTION of PUBLIC WORSHIP

I am pleased to announce that the clergy and wardens have agreed that public worship in the parish will begin again on SUNDAY, JULY 26th 2020.

The schedule of Sunday services in the parish will begin as follows:

- ❖ 8.00 am - Holy Communion (1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays) – St Nicolas' Church
- ❖ 9.30 am – Mass – St Michael & All Angels Church (each week)
- ❖ 10.30 am – Holy Eucharist – St Helen's Church (each week); this service will be uploaded in full to the parish website and YouTube channel each Sunday afternoon.
- ❖ 11:15 am – Service of the Word (2nd & 4th Sundays) – St Nicolas' Church

In accordance with government and diocesan requirements and recommendations the following protocols will be followed:

- Each of our three churches will have a maximum attendance number to which it will adhere.
- Those wishing to attend will need to book to attend with a designated contact person in each congregation, and do so by the preceding Friday noontime.
- Those booking will need to provide: name, contact information (for Track & Trace), and whether or not (s)he wishes to receive Holy Communion where a Eucharist is celebrated.
- A face covering must be worn.
- Hand sanitizing will be required upon entrance and exit.
- Toilets will be in use at St Michaels's but NOT at St Nicolas' or St Helen's
- Socializing before and after the service must take place outside the church.
- Wherever possible, organ music may accompany a service, but no choir or congregational singing is yet allowed.
- Services will be shortened in appropriate ways so as not to exceed 40-45 minutes.
- Pew slips and the Newsletter will continue to be accessible only online.

Please share this good news as you see fit.

In order to provide additional safeguards for the congregation: all service participants will normally be expected to **wear face coverings**, unless there are medical, or other good reasons for exceptions. Therefore, we request that you bring your own coverings in which you feel reasonably comfortable, although masks will be available in Church should you not be able to do so. We hope you appreciate this necessity in the light of government regulations and, unfortunately, we are not in a position to accept bookings otherwise.

The booking contact for services in each church is:

St Helen's Parish Administrator administrator@sthelens-abingdon.org.uk
01235 520144 / 07395 943957

St Michael's Peter Squire ptscwatstms@gmail.com 01235 797051 / 07711 548015

St Nicolas'

11:15am service Andrew Coker andrew.r.coker@gmail.com 01235 539929

8am service Jan Lawrence 01235 203144 or jil129@live.co.uk

The Revd Dr Charles Miller, Team Rector

For St Nicolas: