

## **Updated Archdiocesan Protocols** COVID 19

## Effective Monday 7 December 2020 NSW Parishes Only

## Mass, Liturgies, Weddings & Funerals

Apply the **2m**<sup>2</sup> rule for all liturgical celebrations.

This will mean that most Churches can have up to approximately 200.

*QR Codes* are available in NSW, but are not compulsory:

Visits: https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/covid-safe/customer-recordkeeping/gr-codes#covid-safe-check-in-with-the-service-nsw-app

QR Codes require mobile phones and do not keep count of participants. Some parishioners will still need to sign in via a Mass Registry. In addition, parishes will need to monitor numbers.

## COVID-19 Safety Plan

- Visit: https://www.nsw.gov.au/form/covid-safety-plan/places-of-worship to register
- Physical or digital Mass Register to be kept for 30 days
- Availability of hand sanitiser is essential
- Holy Communion only under the species of bread
- Holy Communion to be received only in the hand
- No touching at the sign of peace
- Collection plates not to be passed around
- Families can sit together, but in relation to other persons/families apply 2m<sup>2</sup> rule
- Singing is possible, respecting 2m<sup>2</sup> rule, people facing the same direction.

Vicar General 4 December 2020