

Here is an updated version of some changes that are being made as a result of the lifting of lockdown restrictions from 19 July 2021. We are aware that as there is still quite a high level of new cases of coronavirus in Lambeth, we need to keep some safety measures in place. The information below is subject to review and further guidance that may be received if the situation changes. If you have any concerns, please contact Fr Jonathan.

There will be no need to sign in on arrival. Please continue to use the hand sanitiser available. It is no longer obligatory to wear a mask but please seriously consider whether you need/prefer to do so, and leave as much space as you can between yourself and others when deciding where to sit. There is plenty of space in the gallery so you may like to try that one Sunday.

The clergy will wear masks in the confines of the office as they set up with the sacristan and servers, processing in and out, and also when distributing Communion.

We will sing three hymns and the choir will lead us in the *St Thomas* setting of the Mass which we often sung pre-lockdown. The music cards and hymn books will again be available for people to use.

The Gospel will continue to be read from the Lectern rather than the nave.

At the Sign of Peace, please continue as we do at present, exchanging a nod, smile or wave.

At the administration of Communion, we will continue the present practice of approaching via the nave and returning down the side aisles. The priest will sanitise his or her hands before touching the wafers and will wear a mask. Please consider if you need to wear a mask at this time.

At the PCC meeting on 25 July we decided it was too early to restore the chalice, though we look forward to when this will be possible again.

Currently the collection plate remains by the exit door for cash or cheque donations in addition to our card reader next to the office door.

During the summer months we will continue to chat and socialise in the open air. When the situation is more stable, and as the weather turns colder, we will consider reintroducing the serving of refreshments inside the church building.

Unless otherwise mentioned in the service we will maintain a 'one way system' inside the church, so at the end of the service, please continue to use the exit door near the altar, and leave hymns books, music cards and service sheets in a pile on the servers stalls to be collected by the sidespeople.