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### **WORSHIP IN CHURCH – POST GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT**

We are continuing to worship on Zoom at 9.30 am each Sunday until such time as unrestricted numbers are allowed back into church for the Parish Eucharist. This means that we expect Zoom to conclude on this Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July and, as many of us as are able to, to congregate in ST MARY'S CHURCH at 9.30 am from July 25<sup>th</sup>. We are also currently exploring possibilities of extending other ways of worshipping, online, until such time as we all feel safe to return to church.

The 6pm Eucharists continue until 18<sup>th</sup> July, after which they will be suspended. Please book your seat by using the following email address: [servicebooking@stmarytwick.org.uk](mailto:servicebooking@stmarytwick.org.uk)

All of this is of course subject to further announcements by the Government and indeed the directives from the Diocese! More information below but please also make sure that you have a face mask with you at all times and wear it throughout your visit to our church. We are also continuing to open the church on Wednesday mornings from 10am-11am for private prayer. We look forward to seeing you.

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### **ST MARY'S COVID SAFETY UPDATE 18<sup>th</sup> May ONWARDS – SERVICES AND PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHURCH**

The emphasis is still on caution, distancing, and not taking unnecessary risks, but the balance between regulation and personal choice has shifted.

You can now choose to be in church in groups of up to 6 people or 2 households, and within those groups you can agree how much you want to socially distance. You can sit together but do not have to do so.

However, while inside St Mary's buildings, all other personal contact should remain 'socially distant':

- wear a face covering (unless exempt)
- use our hand sanitisers
- keep 2 metres apart (1 metre + if 2 metres not possible)
- the congregation is still not allowed to sing inside church

Booking your place by email for our 6pm Sunday Evening Eucharist really helps us to allocate Covid-safe seating and compliance with 'Test and Trace'. If you have not booked you can still turn up, and we will of course accommodate you if we can within our Covid-safe limit.

Do please join us in church, when you are ready.

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### **ST MARY'S UNIVERSITY, TWICKENHAM**

St Mary's University, Twickenham is a local Catholic university with a 170-year history providing a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate (Masters) programmes including in sport, business, law, criminology, education,

health, theology and many others. 98 per cent of St Mary's graduates find employment within six months of leaving university and the University is amongst the highest ranked for student satisfaction.

The University also has a wide range of Masters programmes, as well as opportunities for postgraduate research study (PhD and professional doctorate), in fields which can be especially helpful in supporting your faith including: Christian spirituality, bio-ethics, Catholic social teaching, human trafficking, charity management, education and social justice, PGCE and Catholic school leadership, as well as many others. Most students starting a Master's programme have an undergraduate degree, but it is not always essential.

If you are interested in joining the 5,500 students at St Mary's, find out more information at our website - [stmarys.ac.uk](http://stmarys.ac.uk). Alternatively, you can ask us a question at [student.recruitment@stmarys.ac.uk](mailto:student.recruitment@stmarys.ac.uk)