

Church re-opening: Cleaners and Stewards needed

At present there are no immediate plans for St Anthony's to re-open, but this will happen in the future when the Government permits, and it is considered safe to do so. In the meantime we need to make sure that we are ready, and a team of volunteers will be needed for various roles.

- a) **Cleaners** – the church will need to be thoroughly cleaned before it can be used again, and again after use.

If the church opens for limited periods for private prayer, the benches will need to be cleaned and sanitised as each person leaves.

- b) **Stewards** – when the church is open for private prayer there will have to be at least two stewards who will:
- ◆ ensure hand sanitisation on entry and exit
 - ◆ show parishioners where they may sit, socially distanced
 - ◆ ensure that people enter through one door and exit through another
 - ◆ anyone with cold or flulike symptoms will be asked not to enter
 - ◆ in the unlikely event of the pre-determined capacity being reached, stewards would operate a 'one in, one out' policy
 - ◆ preferably both, but at least one steward, should be DBS checked

Volunteers must **not** be:

1. aged 70 or over
2. in the vulnerable or at a high or very high risk
3. ill, or tested positive for COVID19, or in a household with anyone who is
4. asked to self isolate (from test and trace symptoms)

Clearly many of the regular parish workers and helpers fall into the above categories so we do urgently need more people to volunteer. Many thanks to the few who have already come forward, but the more that are willing to help the lighter will be the load.

Please give some thought as to whether you are able to help our parish in any way. If you think you may be able to help, or would like any more information, please contact Sheila on 348272.