

S.^TJAMES'

Bicentenary 2019-2024

The Reverend Andrew Sempell
Rector

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Dear Parishioners,

A New Archbishop

By now, many of you will have heard that the Dean of Sydney, the Very Reverend Kanishka Raffel, has been elected Archbishop of Sydney. We give thanks to God for his election and pray for him and his wife Cailey as they transition to this new role.

COVID-19 Restrictions for this Sunday

Following the announcement today of an occurrence of community transmission of COVID-19, the Government updated its guidelines for people attending worship. The following restrictions will apply for this Sunday's services and will be reviewed by the Government on Monday:

- Social distancing under the 2 sqm rule remains in place;
- Masks will need to be worn by people attending worship;
- Members of the congregation are not allowed to sing;
- Communion will revert to being 'in one kind';
- The use of hand sanitiser, and the cleaning of surfaces between services will continue to be required; and,
- You must not attend worship if you are feeling unwell.

Please also note the following:

- The 10am Choral Eucharist will continue to be livestreamed;
- The Choir will continue to sing at the 10am Choral Eucharist;
- Kids @ Church will continue to meet at church during the 10am Eucharist; and,
- Morning tea in the Covered Courtyard after the 10am Eucharist will still recommence this Sunday.

Registration of Attendance at Services

Now that the use of the QR Code has become commonplace in the community and is preferred by the government we will cease online registrations this weekend. When arriving at church, please use the code found at the doors of the church. If you are not able to use the code, you can register by filling out your details on the form provided by the Sidespersons. You do not need to use both.

In the light of this, it is important for us to be cautious even though the current incidence of COVID-19 is slight.

Every blessing,



The Reverend Andrew Sempell
Rector of St James'