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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

**Re: COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update**

NSW Health has revised the COVID-19 guidelines for all places of worship.

1) Places of Worship and Religious Services

Effective from midnight tonight - 2 January 2021, the maximum number of people who can attend religious gatherings will be limited to 1 person per 4 square metres up to a maximum of 100 people.

Weddings and funerals will also be limited to 1 person per 4 square metres up to a maximum of 100 people.

2) Face masks

Face masks will also be made mandatory at places of worship from midnight tonight.

From Monday, 4 January 2021, non-compliance with wearing face masks will attract a \$200 on-the-spot-fine for individuals.

Children under 12 are exempt but are encouraged to wear masks where practicable.

With my continued prayers during these times,

Very Rev Peter G. Williams  
Vicar General & Moderator of the Curia