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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

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

The NSW Government has recently updated its pathway out of COVID-19 lockdowns.

**Wedding and Funerals**

As the 70% double vaccination rate has now been achieved, from Monday 11 October 2021, up to 100 fully vaccinated people can attend funerals and weddings (previously it was 50 people).

At weddings with those who are unvaccinated, a maximum of 5 people may attend.

For funerals with those who are unvaccinated, a maximum of 10 people may attend.

At the 80% double vaccination rate, choirs of up to 10 people can perform in places of worship but all performers must be vaccinated.

**COVID-19 Safety Plan and ventilation**

For parish priests and parishes, now would be a good time to review and update your COVID-19 Safety Plan ahead of the reopening of churches for public Masses once the 80% double vaccination rate is achieved.

The NSW Government has provided the following information about ventilation and how ventilation issues can be managed by places of worship. Please see here for more information:  
[www.nsw.gov.au/form/covid-safety-plan/places-of-worship](http://www.nsw.gov.au/form/covid-safety-plan/places-of-worship).

Thank you for your support during these troubled times.

Yours in Christ,

Very Rev Peter G. Williams  
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