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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Re: COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

The NSW Government has announced some changes to the reopening roadmap for the COVID-19 restrictions. Based on the announcement, the restrictions will ease further when NSW reaches 95% double vaccination or on 15 December 2021, whichever comes first. For places of worship the following will apply from when the state hits the milestone:

Density Limits

There will no longer be any square meter rules applicable for Parishes. This includes the Church and other buildings within the Parish.

Weddings and Funerals

Proof of vaccination will no longer be mandatory. All will be able to attend regardless of vaccination status.

Choir and Singing

Singing will be permitted for everyone in attendance.

Social Events

Parish social events can resume with no person limit.

Masks

Masks will no longer be mandatory at places of worship. However, this is still strongly encouraged in venues where social distancing is not possible.

COVID-19 Safe Check-in and Record Keeping

Check in using the NSW QR Code and record keeping of all attendees are still required for places of worship.

COVID-19 Safety Plans

COVID-19 Safety Plans will no longer be mandatory.

Yours in Christ,

Very Rev Peter G. Williams
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