

Re-opening St Peter's church for services

These are the key points for the resumption of public Masses. We are following Government and Diocesan guidelines, and have everyone's health and well-being at the forefront of our plans at all times. More information [on our website](#).

We can only open the church safely with the help of volunteers, who should not be from vulnerable categories. If you can help in any way, please contact Deacon Gerard gdaily@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk . If we don't have volunteers we cannot stay open.

Where Only St Peter's church in Winchester will be open, for now

When: Public Masses – Sunday

The public Masses, which will require booking, are as follows:

Saturday	5.30 (vigil)
Sunday	12 noon (church stays open for prayer till 2pm)
Sunday	5.30

Weekday Masses and Prayer time

Monday	Adoration and prayer 11-2, with Mass at 12.15pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	Mass at 10, prayer & adoration till 12.
Friday	Adoration and prayer 11-2, with Mass at 12.15pm
Saturday	9am Mass, prayer till 12, with confessions from 11-12 7 4.30-5 (vigil Mass also at 5.30pm)

[**Livestreamed Masses** will continue, with no congregation, at the same times as before – 7pm every evening, 9am Sat, 10am Sunday. Also Morning Prayer Sun-Fri 8am, evening prayer every night 9pm]

Reconciliation At present, 11am-12 noon and 4:30-5pm Saturday but subject to change. Booking not necessary.

Booking For Sunday Masses (from 18th July) you should book via <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-peter-and-the-winchester-martyrs>. Or go to our website <https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/>, where there is a quick and easy button on the home page. The church has a safe capacity of 60-70, but after that we would have to turn people away. (If you cannot book online, you can try calling the church office 01962 852804 for help.) Please

bear with us as we get the scheme going! At present, booking unnecessary for weekday Masses.

Logistics There is a one-way system through the church. Volunteers at the entrance will help people. Visitors should wear a mask if possible, should sanitize their hands with gel (provided) at entrance, and follow instructions on where to sit. There will be no holy water, no hymnbooks or prayersheets or printed newsletters, and no congregational singing. Please leave via the North door (by the sacristy).

Communion Volunteer stewards will direct the congregation: single file, distanced queuing. Communion under one kind, received in the hands please.

Other No physical sign of peace (please nod or bow to others) and no physical collection. There will be baskets at the back for donations, or use digital means ([details in newsletter](#)). At all times please keep your distance from others. Families/households who arrive together can sit together – of course children very welcome, but please keep them close to you.

Toilets The pastoral centre must remain closed, so there are no toilet facilities. The nearest toilets are: next to the Discovery Centre, (across the road in Jewry Street) or at the Abbey Gardens or St Maurice's Covert (i.e. next to Debenhams).

Test and trace Contact details will be taken as part of the ticket booking process, or else at the door. They will be kept for 21 days then destroyed. If you become ill with Covid after attending church, you must let us know.

Who should come There is still **no obligation** to attend Sunday Mass in the current crisis. Those who are vulnerable or feeling any symptoms of coronavirus should NOT come. If you can attend a weekday Mass instead, it would leave more seats for those who don't have that option.

Please: Consider carefully whether, and when, you should come.

Respect others and keep social distancing.

Follow the instructions from the volunteers, and be kind to them.

If you can arrive early for Mass, that will help out a lot.

The latest information should always be on the [website](#) and on the [Parish Facebook page](#). You can contact us via Facebook, or by email hello@stpeterswinchester.org.uk.