

# **Baptisms**

## **- information for families**

### **What we ask of you to ensure everyone feels safe coming into the church building ...**

- Names and telephone numbers of all those attending to be provided in advance of the baptism date for NHS Test and Trace purposes.
- Should this not be possible, our NHS QR code will also be displayed at the church door for those wishing to check in using the app.
- And the names and contact details of those not wishing to use the app will be requested on entry into the building.  
(In line with guidance issued by the Department for Health and Social Care, we will keep your details safely and in compliance with GDPR legislation for 21 days before securely disposing of or deleting them. We will only share your details with NHS Test and Trace, if asked, in the event that it is needed to help stop the spread of coronavirus. We will not use your details for any other purposes or pass them on to anyone else.)
- Please use your own hand sanitiser or the sanitiser provided when you enter the building.
- Although they are no longer mandatory, we ask that everyone (unless exempt) continues to wear a face mask/covering when in church as one of the principal ways in which we can protect ourselves and others. This is most especially important when singing.
- Please continue to be mindful of physical distancing between households and bubbles. We will encourage people to spread out, provide *Please give me space* cards, and ensure part of the church building is set aside for those who feel particularly vulnerable.

### **What we will do ...**

- Regular cleaning of the church and the provision of hand sanitiser.
- Careful hygiene practices by the minister leading the service.
- Careful use of service sheets and other printed materials.
- Regular review of our risk-assessments and guidance.

### **And finally ...**

- If anyone has symptoms of COVID-19 or is feeling unwell; if anyone is waiting on the results of a COVID test or has tested positive; or if anyone has been told to self-isolate – please do not attend the service.
- Please take note of Government advice if you or any of your guests are in a vulnerable category.

In the light of current COVID-19 rates of infection both nationally and locally we are taking a gradual approach to how we manage our services. Knowing that concerns remain about crowded areas, we are putting the above measures in place to mitigate the risks of COVID-19 whilst still encouraging people to take personal responsibility for their own safety. So we hope you understand and will help us in this. Thank you.