

A Clean and Safe Church - Infection Control

A professional cleaning company has been hired to clean the church once a week.

All surfaces, sinks and door handles will be sterilized before and after every Service—by the welcomers

Everyone's Temperature will be checked by the welcomers with a Infra-red thermometer.

Everyone **MUST** wash their hands for 20 seconds on the way into church, use the sinks in the lavatories

Please use alcohol cleanser on your hands after washing too

Face masks must be worn by everyone attending the church

Disposable face masks are available at the door

Names will be taken at the door for track and trace purposes if necessary

Please maintain a 2Metre Social distancing in line with latest guidelines

Please don't shake hands or "greet each other with a holy kiss"!

Move straight to the pews, no gathering to chat in either the King's Well or near the sound desk.

Please sit in one pew per family with staggered seating as directed

Communion will be offered in one kind only i.e. bread and no wine.

If you cough or sneeze please catch in arm or tissues provided

Please keep praying for all our doctors, care workers in our residential homes,

and nurses and those affected by this virus.

Teas **will not** be served before / after the service to reduce risk

Mini Marks – will be run in the Kingswell

each week during Family Praise

We hope to try SPLASH in the Millennium Park from 16th Sept

Watch this Space!! St Mark's Sparks will not be run for the moment

Streaming Live on Facebook or YouTube

www.facebook.com/StMarksChurchJersey/live

Next week

9:15am Holy Communion

10:30am Family Praise

Kids Group on ZOOM

E: curate@stmarksjersey.com to join

HOLY COMMUNION



ST MARKS
Jersey
Refreshing Hearts, Transforming Lives



27th December
"The Gifts"
9:15am



Welcome to St. Mark's Notices & Opening Prayer

Let us worship Jesus
our Saviour and Friend:
Heavenly King, yet born of Mary;
Jesus, Son of God;
we praise and adore you;
Eternal Word,
yet child without speech;
Jesus, Son of God;
we praise and adore you;
Robed in glory,
yet wrapped in infant clothes;
Jesus, Son of God;
we praise and adore you;
Lord of heaven and earth,
yet laid in a manger;
Jesus, Son of God;
we praise and adore you;
ALL: To you, Lord Jesus,
strong in weakness
glorious in humility,
mighty to save,
be all praise and glory,
with the Father
and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever, Amen.

Confession

Christ the Light of the world has
come to dispel the darkness of our
hearts. Let us turn to the Light and
confess our sins together.

**God our Father you sent your
Son full of Grace and Truth,
forgive our failure to receive Him**

**The Virgin Mary accepted your
call to be the mother of Jesus.
Forgive our disobedience
to your will.**

**Your Son our Saviour
was born in poverty in a manger.
Forgive our greed and rejection
of your ways.**

**The wise men followed the star
to find Jesus the King.
Forgive our reluctance to seek
you.**

May the God of all healing
and forgiveness
draw us to himself,
and cleanse us from all our sins
that we may behold
the glory of his Son,
the Word made flesh,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Reading: Isaiah 60:1-9

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to
his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father,
we worship you,
we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away
the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated
at the right hand
of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone
are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,

Blessing

Christ our Lord,
to whom kings bowed down in
worship and offered gifts,
reveal to you his glory
and pour upon you
the riches of his grace;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Spirit,
be among you
and remain with you always.
Amen.

**you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.**

Amen.

The Collect

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are Yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

See, amid the winter's snow,
Born for us on earth below,
See, the Lamb of God appears,
Promised from eternal years.

Hail, thou ever-blessed morn!
Hail, redemption's happy dawn!
Sing through all Jerusalem:
Christ is born in Bethlehem!

Lo, within a manger lies
He who built the starry skies,
He who, throned in height sublime,
Sits amid the cherubim.

Say, ye holy shepherds, say,
What your joyful news to-day;

Wherefore have ye left your sheep
On the lonely mountain steep!

As we watched at dead of night,
Lo, we saw a wondrous light:
Angels, singing peace on earth,
Told us of the Saviour's birth.

Sacred Infant, all divine,
What a tender love was Thine,
Thus to come from highest bliss
Down to such a world as this!

Teach, oh teach us, holy Child,
By Thy face so meek and mild,
Teach us to resemble Thee
In Thy sweet humility.

Edward Caswall

Silent night! holy night!

All is calm, all is bright,
Round yon virgin,
Mother and child:
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace,
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! holy night!
Shepherds quake, at the sight,
Glories stream from heaven afar:
Heavenly hosts sing, 'Alleluia,
Christ the Saviour is born,
Christ the Saviour is born!
Silent night! holy night!
Son of God, love's pure light:
Radiant beams from Thy holy face
With the dawn of redeeming grace:
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

F.X. Gruber (1787-1863)

Reading: Mathew 2:1-12

Talk by Rev Martyn Shea

Creed

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.
**Though He was divine,
He did not cling to
equality with God,
but made himself nothing.
Taking the form of a slave,
He was born in human likeness.
He humbled Himself
and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.
Therefore God has raised Him
on high, and given Him the name
above every name:
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim that
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

cf Philippians 2:6-11

Prayers

The Peace

Angels upon Angels sang
“Glory to God in the highest,
And on Earth peace to all people.”
The peace of the Lord
be always with you.
And also with you.

Introduction to Holy Communion

The Lord is here.
His Spirit is with us.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to
the Lord our God
**It is right to give
thanks and praise.**

Almighty God,
good Father to us all,
your face is
turned towards your world.
In love you gave us Jesus your Son
to rescue us from sin and death.
Your Word goes out to call us home
to the city where angels
sing your praise.
We join with them in heaven's song:

Father of all, we give you thanks
for every gift
that comes from heaven.
To the darkness
Jesus came as your light.
With signs of faith
and words of hope
he touched untouchables with love
and washed the guilty clean.
This is his story.
Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out
to see your Son,
yet at the end they turned on him.
On the night he was betrayed
he came to table with his friends
to celebrate the freedom
of your people.
This is his story.
Hosanna in the highest.
Jesus blessed you, Father,
for the food;
he took bread, gave thanks,
broke it and said:
This is my body, given for you all.
Jesus then gave thanks
for the wine;
he took the cup, gave it and said:
This is my blood, shed for you all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in remembrance of me.

This is his story.
Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father,
with this bread and this cup
we celebrate the cross
on which he died to set us free.
Defying death he rose again
and is alive with you
to plead for us and all the world.
This is our story.
Hosanna in the highest.

Send your Spirit on us now
that by these gifts
we may feed on Christ
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.
May we and all who share this food
offer ourselves to live for you
and be welcomed
at your feast in heaven
where all creation worships you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth
are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessing and honour
and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever. Amen.**
BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The president breaks
the consecrated bread.*

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many,
we are one body, because
we all share in one bread.**

Giving of Communion

**Most merciful Lord,
your love compels us to come in.
Our hands were unclean,
our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit
even to eat the crumbs
from under your table.
But you, Lord,
are the God of our salvation,
and share your
bread with sinners.
So cleanse and feed us
with the precious
body and blood of your Son,
that he may live in us
and we in him;
and that we, with the whole
company of Christ,
may sit and eat in your kingdom.
Amen.**

Draw near with faith,
receive bread and wine.
Eat and drink in remembrance
that Christ died for you,
and feed on Him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

RECEIVE AT HOME

Post Communion

**Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of
your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.**

**Help us and Keep us in
the power of your Spirit
to live and care for others
to your praise and glory.
Amen.**