

Church Services and Venue

Face Covering Policy

Government and Church of England guidelines make the wearing of face coverings such as masks mandatory on public transport and indoor venues, including places of worship such as our Church.

As a Church we understand that some people are unable to wear a face covering for various reasons, including invisible ones such as anxiety, the following procedure has been adopted in an attempt to limit the risks when attending Church.

1. When attending Church worshipers are required to wear a suitable face covering while in Church.
2. If an individual is exempt from the obligation of wearing a face covering for any reason, they should discuss the situation with the clergy, Church warden or deputy. Ideally, this should be done some days in advance of attending Church to worship.
3. As an alternative, and if appropriate, the individual will be asked to wear a visor which will be provided by the Church and assigned to the individual
4. When leaving the Church, the individual should sanitise the visor and return it to the duty sides person to be kept securely until the next attendance at Church. Visors once identified to individuals will only be allocated to that person.
5. If wearing a visor is for any reason not appropriate, the Church will plan, so far as is reasonably practicable, to allow the person to attend Church to worship without having to wear a face covering or visor.
6. Where arrangements have not been made in advance for the attendance of persons who are unable to wear a face mask/covering, there is a risk that their admission to Church may not be possible for safety reasons. Please, therefore, notify us as far in advance as is reasonably possible.

We would remind all that we have a personal responsibility to comply with the law, to protect fellow parishioners and members of the public especially those who are vulnerable to the effects of COVID-19, please help us to keep everyone safe.