



The Queensland Government has approved an *Industry COVID Safe Plan for Places of Worship in Queensland*. This has also been signed off by the Queensland Bishops. It now allows for up to 100 individuals to gather subject **to additional compliance measures and increased responsibility that must be strictly adhered to.**

As most parishes will be unable to meet the additional requirements of the above plan and it is less than 3 weeks, when on 10 July 2020, Stage 3 of the Queensland Government Roadmap lessens restrictions, in this Diocese we will wait until 10 July 2020, to increase gatherings to 100 individuals (subject to the 4 square metre rule).

As from 16 June 2020, the current restrictions and requirements are:

- 20 for religious ceremonies (Mass, baptisms, weddings), subject to the 4 square metre rule
- Up to 100 for funerals, subject to the 4 square metre rule
- The parish is now required to record and keep contact details for 56 days from the day collected.
- Members of choirs are required to abide by 1 person per 7 square metre rule.

As many parishes will be developing ways to record attendance. St Patrick's Cathedral has opted for a card/number allocation system. For further information on how this works, please contact the Cathedral parish on 4637 1500 or admin@stpats.org.au

I know all this has required extra work locally and I thank you for your hard work and compliance.

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