

COVID-19 Update 30 March 2020

The Prime Minister, the Hon. Scott Morrison MP, has announced further social distancing measures to protect the Australian community from the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). Moreover, Victorian Premier, Hon. Daniel Andrews has also confirmed that we have now moved to Stage 3 restrictions.

National Cabinet agreed to limit both indoor and outdoor gatherings to two persons only. Exceptions to this limit include:

- People of the same household going out together;
- Funerals - a maximum of 10 people;
- Wedding - a maximum of 5 people;
- Family units.

If people breach these directions, they face on-the-spot fines of \$1,652 for individuals and \$9,913 for businesses. Larger fines can also be issued through the courts. How would this impact our church:

- Live streaming from churches would be reviewed and other alternative measures would be followed. E.g. Live streaming from home
- Only essential tasks, for example, maintenance of the church building are permitted provided adhering to the social distancing requirements limited to two people from different households. Volunteers undertaking the maintenance tasks will be covered under the Public Liability Insurance Policy as per normal procedure.
- Any changes to the above will be communicated accordingly

[The PM Statement from the 29th of March](#)

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