

# St Andrew's Parish (Kyabram) and St James' (Tongala) Church Survey

Thank you for participating in this survey.

At present, some government restrictions around public gatherings and places of worship have begun to lift and we are permitted to conduct small gatherings of people providing we maintain social distancing and hygiene requirements. **This has now been rolled back.**

The 4m<sup>2</sup> rule means that we can have a maximum of 23 people in St Andrew's Church, 40 people in St Andrew's Hall, and 25 people St James' Tongala.

This survey includes several questions about your current feelings regarding participation in small group gatherings at church.

1. Which best describes your attitude towards returning to church for some type of gathering/worship?

**Select one:**

- I will return at the first opportunity we have.
- I will return at the first opportunity but with some concerns and questions about precautions  
Can you please elaborate (after reading this whole survey)  
\_\_\_\_\_.
- I will wait several additional weeks before I attend.
- It may be quite a while before I return.
- Not sure
- Comment \_\_\_\_\_

2. What precautions, if any, do you plan to take when you return to church?

**Select all that apply**

- I will stand and sit in places where I will be at least 1.5m from others (other than own family)
- I will avoid shaking hands
- I will avoid any physical contact
- I will avoid crowded hallways
- I will use hand sanitizer provided on entry to and exiting the church
- I will refrain from gathering and remain in isolation if I have any cold and flu like symptoms  
or are unwell
- None of these
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. What precautions, do you expect our church to take for gatherings?

**Select all that apply**

- No handouts of any kind (e.g., prayer books, newsletters, name badges, notes etc.)
- Provide Communion of one kind only (bread)
- Use a new method for collecting offerings
- Maintain social distancing at all times
- Prop doors open so people do not have to touch handles
- Provide hand sanitizer stations
- Discourage shaking hands
- Allow adequate time for thorough cleaning and disinfecting between group gatherings
- Ask people who have any cold or flu like symptoms to refrain from coming
- Record names and contact number of all who attend
- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- None of these

5. Which of the following describes the attendance level at which you would be comfortable attending a worship service?

I would be comfortable attending if the church was ...

- Filled to capacity (every seat taken)
- Three-quarters filled (some empty seats throughout but no empty rows)
- Half filled (most people have empty seats either beside them or in front of them)
- One quarter filled (most people have empty seats beside them and in front of them)
- None of these (at least right away)

6. Would you be willing to attend a worship service at a different time from which you typically attend, to allow people to be more spread out?

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

**If Yes or not sure please select one:**

- St Andrew's Kyabram – Church  4 pm Sunday or  11am Wednesday  
– Hall  11am Sunday
- St James' Tongala – Church  2 pm Sunday

7. What is your preference for receiving Holy Communion?

- The Bread only
- The Bread and Wine in an individual Cup

Please note intinction in the common cup is not allowed at this time.

7. Would you be available to help facilitate worship services?

- At the door

This will include recording people's first name and contact phone number, asking if they have been in contact with any suspected cases or are feeling unwell and asking them to refrain from joining us if that is the case, and ensuring that we do not exceed the room capacity (4m<sup>2</sup> rule).

- Sanitising the building after the service. (Training will be required.)

A check list of surfaces to be cleaned, gloves, sanitising spray, and sanitizing wipes will be provided.

We are not permitted to resume normal services at this time; services will be briefer, no food or drink may be offered, we will be seated spaced out in the building, singing will be limited.

Initially, church members will be allocated to a specific service time, according to their preference and room capacity. We will leave a little room for guests, but would ask parishioners to only attend their allocated service time.

Recorded Services and DVD's will continue to be available for those not wishing to join these services at this time.

To facilitate your return to worship please include your name and contact number

Name/s \_\_\_\_\_ Contact number \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Council is working towards a trial of services on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July, subject to Diocesan approval, then this will be reviewed at the next Parish Council meeting.

*This may not be possible with changes to Government restrictions.*

Thank you for taking the time to respond to this survey. Whilst we are keen to resume services and gather together for worship at St Andrew's and St James', ensuring your safety and the safety of those whom we love and care for is vitally important. We appreciate your patience and prayers as we navigate our way forward.

Rev David Willsher and St Andrew's Parish Council