

COVID-19 Risk Assessment Baptism

Group: St Mary's & St Michael's Baptism	Site: St Mary's & St Michael's Church Building
People at Risk: Volunteers and congregation	
Contact Person: Revd Anna Moore Job Title: Rector	Review Date: 1.12.20

Risk Evaluation

Hazard	Risk	Initial Rating (L/M/H)	Control Measures	Final Rating (L/M/H)	Additional Action Required (action by whom and completion date)
What's the COVID transmission risk factor?	Who is the risk to?	Is this risk Low, Medium or High?	What measures will you put in place to reduce the risk identified?	How has the rating changed as a result?	What else can you do to minimise risk?
Congestion on entry to church	Congregation	M	Hand-sanitizers at door. Sidespersons in place to monitor social distancing and encourage through-traffic –	L	
Breaking of 2m distancing	Everyone	M	People led to their seats from the door. Phased leaving of the church from the back. No crossing of pathways in church.	L	Regular reminders to congregation on social distancing measures
Transmission within pews	Congregation	M	Maximum of 30 people in total including rector and server . Pews spaced 2m apart. No congregational singing. Wearing of facemasks enforced.. All outer doors kept open during service. Congregation remain seated throughout in pews. Only parents and Godparents socially distanced around the font Single-use orders of service	L	verger encouraged to enforce facemask wearing and social distancing
Transmission from Font	Rector/Parents and Godparents	L	Socially-distanced measures for all parties around the font. Only the Rector is permitted to	L	

			touch the font baptismal water. Child being baptized to be held by parent/carer opposite to the rector, baptismal water poured via a shell. Gloves and masks to be worn by rector throughout the service and for anointing with oil.		
Unsupervised children moving in Church	Congregation	M	Children to stay with parents at all times.	L	Parents kept informed of current practice
Residual contamination	Infection passing between services	M	Cleaning after every service using Dettol all in one spray – effective as per website <a href="https://www.dettol.co.uk/about-us/understanding-coronavirus/">https://www.dettol.co.uk/about-us/understanding-coronavirus/</a>	L	
Extended passing on of infection	Community	M	Track and Trace at every service with contact details kept for 21 days in safe	L	