

St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Church

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Saturday March 14th	6.00pm 6.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation Marianne Hollingsworth
Sunday March 15th	9am 11am	Health of a Grand-daughter Bernard Eason RIP
Saturday March 21st	6.00pm 6.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation Pro Populo
Sunday March 22nd	9am 11am	John O'Keefe (10th Anniversary) Francis and Johanna Higgins

The Archdiocese of Southwark has decreed we are at Stage 2, regarding Coronavirus, of CBCEW guidelines.

Archbishop John has sent through the relevant information, which is mandatory for 4 weeks until Monday April 6th, and summarised below:

- The sign of peace is suspended.
- Holy Communion from the chalice shall cease.
- Holy Communion is to be received in the hand.
- Holy water stoups are emptied.
- Churches will remain open and high contact surfaces will be sanitized regularly.
- Ministers will wash and sanitise their hands.
- A decision will be made, nearer the time, as to whether the traditional 'Veneration of the Cross' will be observed.

In addition, key things for parishes to do, are:

- Good personal hygiene.
- Sanitise your hands before, and after, Mass.
- Anyone with cold or flu symptoms should refrain from attending Mass.
- Catering – teas/coffee – cancelled.
- All, unnecessary meetings are cancelled, but the church remains open for Mass.

With this in mind, Children's Liturgy and Word on Wednesday are suspended until further notice.

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