

Resuming Public Worship at Holy Trinity, Bledlow
on
May 2nd 2021

I want to begin by acknowledging that the past few months have been really challenging and worrying for many people. As a PCC, it has been a time when we had no clear sense of how things would turn out and certainly no handbook to guide us. We had earlier decided that we would not resume in-person worship until May 23rd. However, the good news is that in recent weeks the national figures for Covid-related cases, deaths, hospitalisations, first and second vaccinations are all moving in the right direction at least within UK. So, it is in this consideration that we have made a decision to bring forward the date to May 2nd.

Some parishioners will welcome this earlier return whilst some of a more cautious frame of mind will continue to stay away until conditions are right for them to attend. We are expected to adhere to the Covid protocols and we have therefore put in place a seat reservation system to manage attendance and ensure government restrictions on social distancing in places of public worship. So you will need to reserve a seat if you plan to attend a service. Please check on our parish website for details.

We will continue to offer virtual service every week for now to cater for those in our community who will want to stay at home and feel unable to come to church for services yet. There are implications in doing this and we will need to be careful to manage workloads and avoid burnout.

With very best wishes

Norbert