

## St Simon's church 'roadmap': Summer 2021

The Church of England guidelines have been updated for May 2021 but there is no information for June, July and beyond.

If the Government and Church of England guidance allows, we plan to open the church as follows:

Date	Activity	Things to consider
May 2021 onwards	Face coverings to be worn	It is anticipated this will continue for the rest of this year
May onwards	Tuesdays 'Play & Praise'	This will continue <b>online only</b> until September
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Children and families to participate in All Age service in church	Successful trial took place on 16 <sup>th</sup> May. A maximum of 6 families will have their own separate designated table and resources and will not mix with each other. Families will book in advance with Andrea.
	Groups of 6 people will be allowed to sit together in church	Chairs may be grouped together, but still at social distance from others
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Mondays 'Stay & Play' sessions, will be held outdoors	Little Shipmates will resume meeting face to face with Little Shipmates 'Out and About', a programme of activities meeting at different locations in the local area. These will be prebooked with Andrea and limited to a maximum of 30 people
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Congregation singing	Singing <b>may</b> be allowed - we will be guided by Government and CofE guidance after 25 <sup>th</sup> June restrictions are lifted
	No restrictions on numbers allowed in church	We will be guided by Government and CofE guidance after 25 <sup>th</sup> June restrictions are lifted
	Prayer Ministry	Close contact (less than 2m) for prayer ministry <b>may</b> be allowed. We will be guided by Government and CofE guidance after 25 <sup>th</sup> June restrictions are lifted.
	Tea & coffee will be served after the church service	Church members will be required to bring their own mug or cup. Biscuits will not be provided. Tea, coffee, milk, sugar and squash will be served from the kitchen hatch, to limit the numbers of people handling coffee jugs etc.  We will be guided by Government and CofE guidance after 25 <sup>th</sup> June restrictions are lifted

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Live worship	6 musicians and singers will be allowed to worship together. Social distancing <b>may not</b> be required – we will be guided by Government and CofE guidance after 25 <sup>th</sup> June restrictions are lifted
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	External bookings for use of church nave, lower and upper halls will open	No bookings will be taken before this date. We will be guided by Government and CofE guidance after 25 <sup>th</sup> June restrictions are lifted
	Booking of church, lower hall, upper hall, church lounge and south room	Members of the congregation may book to use various rooms and spaces in the church
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept at 9.30am	Shipmates early service	The early service for younger children and families will resume, at 9.30am on the first Sunday of every month. The first Sunday Morning Praise will follow at 10.30am.
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Tuesdays 'Play & Praise'	This will start again in the main church nave
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Children's groups	Children's Sunday groups including the creche (Bubbles) will start again for each 10.30am service
September (date to be agreed)	Sunday Suppers	Sunday Suppers will be reviewed to allow a small group of guests to sit down and eat together. Details have yet to be finalised.

#### COMMUNION

It is unclear at present when full communion and sharing of the communion cup will be allowed.

#### FACE COVERINGS

It is unclear at present when the requirement for face covering will be lifted

#### HAND SANITISER

It is anticipated that hand sanitiser will be in place for the rest of the year, and possibly beyond.

#### SIGNING IN

It is unclear at present when the requirement to sign-in will be lifted

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