

Church Reopening

I am delighted to let you know that following the Government announcement on Monday 22 February, and the consistently lowering level of infections in York, the decision has been taken to reopen *St Barnabas* for face-to-face services again in March. This means our first Sunday back will be 7 March, which I know for many of you will be a great relief. Sadly the services will still need to follow the same safety guidelines that were in place prior to when we closed (see below). However, I have hope that by the summer we can meet in a more normal way, which will be a moment of great joy and celebration!

As well as our 10:30am services we will be welcoming people back to the Encounter Service which will return to being at St Barnabas church on the 1st Sunday of the month and St Paul's on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to provide children's activities until the regulations change again at the end of March, for which we are sorry. Anne will send out further information about this to the families concerned.

We recognise that the Morning Service in these unusual times will not suit all so we will continue to offer our online YouTube service alongside our in-person worship.

Finally, we have planned for Easter events and services and will be sending more information about these in the next 2-3 weeks.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

God bless

Paul

Service Guidelines

- Wearing of face masks
- Checking in by phone or paper for Track and Trace
- Using hand sanitiser
- No singing
- No congregating inside or outside, before, or after the service (this will change as regulations allow)

N.B. Please can we all follow these rules knowing that an end appears to be in sight.