



# St John

the Evangelist, Balmain  
Anglican Church  
of Australia

From Sunday 7 June, the church will be open for the 9.30am Sunday service. It is wonderful to start phasing into face to face church services again, however there are some things that will be different, as we are still working within COVID-19 restrictions.

We want to ensure you are aware of what these temporary changes are before our first service.

1. There will be no singing in the service – this is for hymns and singing during the Eucharist.
2. There will be no items to be distributed which can be shared by others.  
This includes no order of service sheets, handing around collection plates, hymn books, etc.
3. You will be asked to record your name and contact details and to sanitise your hands upon arrival. Both of these are NSW government regulation requirements for any gatherings in public places.
4. There will be allocated seating to allow for the required physical distancing. Please look out for the signs to identify where you should be seated and allow for enough space.
5. There will be no morning tea in the Hall afterwards.
6. The vestry will be locked, and you will not be allowed to enter unless there is legitimate requirement to go through to the back of the church. This is to limit the areas which will require cleaning and sanitising after the service.
7. The church service will also be filmed from 9.30am – this means we will be starting on time! We would also ask if you can keep quiet when you enter the church to reduce the outside noise for this streaming – you can chat afterwards!

We are hoping these restrictions will ease as the weeks pass, and we will be back in our normal Sunday routine before too long. Until that time, it is important that you are aware of what we are all required to do if we do attend.

If you are uncomfortable about attending the service, we will still be streaming live on Facebook at 9.30am and loaded onto YouTube, until conditions ease further.

More information is available on the NSW government website:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/what-you-can-and-cant-do-under-rules#worship>