

*St Bartholomew's Aumley*

Corona Virus Updated Statement January 2021

Suspension of Worship

At the online meeting of the Church Council, the decision was taken to suspend worship in church once again. Even though places of worship are allowed to remain open, this decision was taken in view of the increasing rates of infection and of the anxieties felt by many as a way of helping to keep each other safe and so to help prevent the spread of the virus.

Prayers will continue to be said daily and mass will be streamed via Zoom at 10am every Sunday. Invitations will be sent out to join in Sunday mass on Saturday evenings as usual. If you haven't joined us before, please consider being with us now. Email Fr Michael for a link to be sent to you or use the link on the parish website.

Unless we hear from the government or from Public Health that infection rates are significantly lower, we will review our decision at the next meeting of the PCC in February.

This is an upsetting decision to make as communal worship is an important part of our lives but it is also essential to be seen to be reassuring people that we are taking this ongoing situation very seriously.

Fr Michael