

NOTICE OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS

(Ref: HB/2021/03)

Resumption of religious group activities besides public worship services in Hong Kong

Following the Hong Kong SAR Government's amendments to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Prohibition on Group Gathering) Regulation in order to permit group gatherings during religious activities held in places of worship, the House of Bishops has decided that religious group activities besides public worship services (such as Sunday schools, fellowship gatherings, catechism classes, etc.) shall be resumed in our churches in Hong Kong starting from Maundy Thursday, 1 April 2021.

Upon resumption of group activities, all churches should note the following:

- 1. No food or drink should be served in a group activity.
- 2. A parishioner entering a church should scan the LeaveHomeSafe venue QR code or complete a form provided by the parish to record his/her name, contact number, and the time and date of his/her visit. The information collected will be kept for 31 days only and will solely be used to facilitate the relevant Government departments for virus tracing purposes when necessary.
- 3. A parishioner entering a church should wear a mask, have his/her temperature checked, and clean hands with handrub. Except for those in the same household, parishioners should be seated at least one metre apart from one another when possible, or be separated by partitions.
- 4. It is advised that group activities involving participants with higher risk of infection (such as young children and the elderly) are to be delayed.

In addition, churches should refer to the document *Health Advice on Prevention of COVID-* 19 for Religious Assembly (Interim) issued by the Centre for Health Protection.

Please pay close attention to the issuance of other notices by the House of Bishops or the Provincial Office as situation unfolds.

By order of the House of Bishops

The Revd Canon Peter Douglas Koon Secretary

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主教院通告

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香港恢復公開崇拜以外的宗教團體聚會活動

因應香港特別行政區政府修訂《預防及控制疾病(禁止群組聚集)規例》,以容許在崇拜地點舉行的宗教活動中的群組聚集,主教院決定香港各聖堂由 2021 年 4 月 1 日(聖周四)起恢復公開崇拜以外的宗教團體聚會活動(如主日學、團契、慕道班等)。

各聖堂恢復團體聚會活動時,必須注意下列事項:

- 1. 團體聚會活動不得供應飲食。
- 2. 進入聖堂的教友必須先掃瞄「安心出行」場地二維碼或填寫牧區提供的表格以記錄將其姓名、聯絡電話號碼、到訪聖堂的日期及時間。聖堂收集的資料只保留三十一天,並只供政府有關部門在有需要時追蹤接觸者及作流行病毒調查。
- 3. 教友進入聖堂,必須戴上口罩,量度體溫,用消毒液搓手。在可行情 況下,確保教友與他人保持最少一米的距離(同住之教友可豁免), 或設置屏障分隔教友。
- 4. 涉及較高感染風險參加者(如小童及長者)的團體聚會活動宜暫緩舉 行。

此外,各聖堂亦應參考由衛生防護中心發出之《預防 2019 冠狀病毒病給宗教聚會的健康指引(暫擬)》。

請密切留意主教院或教省辦事處不時按情況發展而發出的通告。

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