

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL****Mass Risk Assessment**


Risk assessment carried out by: Mrs Borriello

Date of Assessment: 28.09.2020

POTENTIAL HAZARDS	RISK(HML)	PERSONS AT RISK	CONTROL MEASURES	RISK AFTER CONTROL MEASURES	COMMENTS/ACTION
Room not fully ventilated and adults unable to keep an acceptable distance from pupils	H	Adult / Priest / Pupils	Mass to be celebrated in the school hall. Hall well ventilated with doors and windows open. Only one bubble in hall. Adults to maintain 2m+ distance wherever practically possible. The altar and celebrating priest being within a safe space from all celebrating Mass (agreed 2m plus)	L	Hall use with all windows opened
Heightened risk of infection from singing and readings during Mass	M	Adult / Priest / Pupils	No singing to take place in Mass. Selected readings only (First reading, response and the Gospel) Short Homily from the front of the hall; pupils have own reading sheet, where applicable, and projector will be used as usual.	L	Pupils maintaining safe distance with all present in Mass
Heightened risk of infection through the course and through actions within the Mass	M	Adult / Priest / Pupils	The following will not be permitted: Singing of hymns Offertory Procession Prayer of the Faithful The traditional, hand shaking sign of Peace Using holy water to bless self upon entry to the hall Children will sanitise or wash their hands before and at the	L	Remind children of expectations and changes to Mass. Markings on floor to aid in communion and readings

			<p>end of Mass.  Communion to be taken on a clear open hand which is out stretched towards Father to maintain as much social distancing as possible.  Staff will direct the pupils where to stand to guide them</p>		
Heightened risk of infection for pupils using the hall after Mass (sitting on the floor)	M	Adults/Priest/Pupils	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 children will carry their classroom chair into the hall, prior to Mass. After Mass they will return it to class.	L	Staff to brief children on safe ways to carry chair
Crossing of Bubble due to Mass within school	M	Adult / Priest / Pupils	Mass will only take place within a single class. Any other classes joining the Mass will do so via Zoom technology. No whole school Masses to take place at this time.	L	Ensure others within school are aware Mass is taking place and where
Other visitors and adults celebrating Mass increasing the risk of infection	M	Adult / Priest / Pupils	Following School Opening Risk Assessment, there are to be no additional visitors into school at this time. The only adults present will be the class teacher, teaching assistants or SLT where applicable	L	Staff aware no visitors should be visiting school

Further elements of the Schools Full Risk Assessment can be found online via the school website. Please also see the Bishop's guidance for full details of Mass guidance

Signed  \_\_\_\_\_  
Executive Head Teacher

\_\_\_\_\_ Date 30.09.2020

Checked by \_\_\_Mrs. Rogers\_\_\_  
NEU H&S Representative