

RESOURCE 10: PARISH POLICY STATEMENT

COVID-19 PARISH POLICY STATEMENT TEMPLATE (TO BE DISPLAYED ON SUITABLE NOTICE BOARDS, ETC)

The Parish of _____ is committed to providing a safe and healthy workplace for all our Volunteers, Staff, Parishioners and Visitors. To ensure that, we have developed a parish COVID-19 plan. All members of the parish community have a shared responsibility for the implementation of this plan and a combined effort will help contain the spread of the virus.

We will:

- continue to monitor our COVID-19 response and amend this plan in consultation with our staff
- provide up to date information to our staff and volunteers on the Public Health advice issued by the HSE and Gov.ie
- display information on the signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and correct hand-washing techniques
- establish a system by means of which staff and volunteers can report concerns relating to COVID-19
- inform all volunteers, staff, parishioners and visitors of essential hygiene and respiratory etiquette and physical distancing requirements
- adapt the Church and Parish Buildings to facilitate physical distancing
- keep a log of Volunteers and Staff to help with contact tracing
- have all Volunteers and Staff attend an induction / familiarisation briefing
- provide instructions for Volunteers and Staff to follow if they develop signs and symptoms of COVID-19 during work
- intensify cleaning in line with government advice

The plan is a live working document and it will be reviewed on an ongoing basis and amended to take into account new guidance from www.Gov.ie, www.dbei.ie, www.hse.ie, www.hpsc.ie, www.hsa.ie

Feedback on any concerns can be made to the parish priest.

Signed:

Parish Priest

Date:
