

Memorandum

TO: Clergy, Pastoral Leaders, Parish Leadership Teams, Parish Staff

CC:

FROM: Fr Andrew Doohan VG

DATE: 07/07/2021

ATTACHMENTS: 0

SUBJECT: Extension of Temporary COVID-19 Restrictions

Dear colleagues,

You will be by now be aware that the NSW Government has extended the current COVID-19 restrictions for a further week. They have gazetted amendments to the *Public Health (COVID-19 Temporary Movement and Gathering Restrictions) Order 2021* ('the Order') to give effect to this announcement.

The Order now remains in effect until 11:59pm on Friday 16 July 2021, unless repealed earlier or extended again.

The restrictions outlined in my memos of 26 June 2021 and 29 June 2021 remain in effect until that time and are to be observed in all cases.

There is one change, however.

An exemption has been given by the Minister to the provisions of **Clause 14** of the Order, so that it is now possible to have a small group of up to five singers singing in places of public worship, subject to the following conditions:

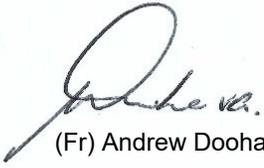
- The singers must wear a face mask,
- The singers must keep a distance of at least 1.5 metres from each other, and
- The singers must keep a distance of at least 3 metres from the congregation.

Congregational singing is still not permitted at this time.

As always, I am only too happy to be contacted regarding any specific concerns that might arise from time to time or for the seeking of clarification. While I would prefer email contact for 'routine' questions, urgent matters can be addressed via phone call to my mobile (0412 405 671). Please do not send text messages as they are sometimes not received in a timely manner.

If you have any questions about the above information, please get in touch.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Doohan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "A".

(Fr) Andrew Doohan VG