



The Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's University

a community of faith and friendship at the heart of campus

COVID-19 Compliance Update

Following the announcement from the Northern Ireland Executive on Wednesday 14th October of increased restrictions needed to reduce COVID-19 transmission rates, we want to reassure students and service users that their health and wellbeing is our first priority.

Chaplaincy remains open and continues to provide spiritual and pastoral support for the many students who remain on campus, **with strict social distancing and safety measures being applied. Please note the wearing of a face covering is mandatory in the Chaplaincy building.**

Our liturgy schedule is unchanged, with Sunday and weekday Masses open to the public.* Masses are livestreamed on our new digital broadcast system, **QUBCatholic Live**, for those unable to attend.

We will announce in the coming days a programme of spiritual and pastoral formation to be delivered digitally during this period. You can keep up-to-date on our website, social media channels and regular e-newsletters.

Chaplaincy facilities are open for private prayer and individual study and the Chaplain and Pastoral Manager remain on site to provide one-to-one support. Any student or staff member seeking advice, guidance or support should not hesitate to contact Chaplaincy to arrange a meeting.

We have taken a number of key decisions to help assist in the wider effort to limit the spread of Coronavirus. These are effective from **Friday 16th October** and will be reviewed **after 4 weeks**.

- Our Food Bar is closed.
- Gatherings (other than liturgies) are suspended. Groups and societies should continue to meet online via video conferencing. Our Pastoral Manager is available to facilitate this.
- Opening times have been revised.**

We appreciate these are challenging times for everyone. Thank you for your ongoing support and assistance. We encourage you to take care of one another, especially the most vulnerable among us.

With good wishes,

Fr Dominic McGrattan, Chaplain

* **Mass times:** Sunday 8pm; Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8.15am; Tuesday and Thursday 5.15pm

** **Opening times:** Monday to Thursday 8am to 6pm; Friday 8am to 3pm; Sunday 7pm to 9pm

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