



CHANCERY OF THE CATHOLIC
METROPOLITAN ARCHDIOCESE OF KUALA LUMPUR

528, Jalan Bukit Nanas, 50250 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Tel: 603-2078 8828/ 2078 5089/ 2072 6606 | Fax: 603-2031 3815
chancery@archkl.org | www.archkl.org

26th May 2021

Chan/MC/12/2021

CHANCERY NOTICE

Update to Chancery Notice dated 11th May (Ref: Chan/MC/11/2021)

In view of updated SOPs on 'Opening of Non-Muslim Places of Worship' and 'Handling of non-Muslim funerals' during MCO both dated 25th May 2021 and issued by the National Security Council and the Ministry of National Unity (hereinafter collectively called the MKN SOPs), His Grace, Archbishop Julian Leow D.D. has decreed that the following protocols be updated with immediate effect for all churches, chapels and Mass centres in the Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur:

1.0 Weddings — Due to the new limits placed by the MKN SOPs on the number of persons allowed at any religious service, scheduled weddings during the period of the MCO, are only permitted in churches with a total seating capacity of over 1,000 persons with a limit not exceeding 12 persons (including the priest, couple, witnesses and other assisting ministers, if any). For all other churches and chapels with a capacity of less than 1000, all weddings are to be postponed.

2.0 Funerals — Parlours in Churches may be opened. There should be no in-person communal prayers (which could be done via ZOOM) and private prayers within the parlour are limited to not more than 5 persons at any one time. Funeral Masses may be celebrated with a maximum number of 12 persons based on the SOP on 'Handling of non-Muslim Funerals'. All guests and family members should be preregistered and should be allocated seat/ row numbers to facilitate contact tracing. Priests may perform a short prayer at the funeral parlour but are discouraged to perform prayers in the home of the deceased, especially when there are issues of crowding and social distancing.

3.0 Live-Streaming — The Archdiocese will continue to provide live-streaming of Masses from the churches which have the capacity to do so subject to the present limits on personnel and volunteers.



CHANCERY OF THE CATHOLIC METROPOLITAN ARCHDIOCESE OF KUALA LUMPUR

528, Jalan Bukit Nanas, 50250 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Tel: 603-2078 8828/ 2078 5089/ 2072 6606 | Fax: 603-2031 3815
chancery@archkl.org | www.archkl.org

As we enter into this most trying period of daily new high records of infection, usage of ICU beds and deaths, let us continue to ask for our Lady's protection and intercession. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, exhorts the entire Church to turn to our Lady in the ancient prayer, sub tuum praesidium:

We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

Rev Fr Michael Chua
Chancellor
Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur

