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Perth Metropolitan and Peel Region to enter three (3) days of interim restrictions

The Premier has this afternoon advised that from 12.01am, Saturday, 3 July 2021, Perth and the Peel Region will enter into three (3) days of interim restrictions until 12.01am, Tuesday, 6 July 2021.

During this interim period the following restrictions will apply:

- people in the Perth and Peel regions will be free to leave their homes;
- masks will remain mandatory, both indoors and outdoors, and on public transport;
- people are encouraged to continue to work from home if they are able;
- private gatherings of up to ten (10) visitors indoors and twenty (20) outdoors;
- people from Perth and Peel can travel to other parts of WA, but must follow restrictions (i.e. wearing a mask);
- visits to hospitals are prohibited except for compassionate reasons (e.g. end of life);
 and
- visits to aged/disability care facilities are prohibited except for essential care, compassionate reasons and end of life advocacy.

Weddings are restricted to **twenty (20)** people. **Funerals** are also allowed, but will be limited to **twenty (20)** people, not including staff. **Masks** must be worn by all people attending a wedding or a funeral.

Religious gatherings (excluding weddings and funerals) can recommence and are restricted to **twenty (20)** people with the 4 sqm rule. Masks must be worn.

From Tuesday, 6 July 2021, pending health advice, the government will confirm an easing of restrictions beyond the transitional period. Between Tuesday, 6 July 2021, and 12.01am, Monday 12 July 2021 the following restrictions will then apply:

- masks will continue to be mandatory indoors, including the workplace and on public transport;
- private gatherings of up to thirty (30) visitors for home gatherings;
- a 150 person limit will be in place for outdoor private gatherings and the 2sqm rule will be in effect (including weddings and funerals);
- places of worship may have a limit 150 people and with the 2sqm rule; and
- visits to hospitals, aged/disability care facilities will be permitted with only four (4) visitors permitted each day/per person, and masks will be mandatory for staff and visitors.

The WA Government's full announcement outlining all restrictions relevant to the lockdown can be found at: https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-the-premier-and-cabinet/covid-19-coronavirus-latest-updates.

Further updates relevant to the Archdiocese of Perth will be communicated on an ongoing basis in response to these developing circumstances and made available on the dedicated COVID-19 page on the website of the Archdiocese of Perth: http://www.perthcatholic.org.au/COVID19.htm



Further updates can be accessed on the WA Government's website: https://www.wa.gov.au/government/covid-19-coronavirus

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