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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Today, Premier Mark McGowan has advised that all *Transition Out of Lockdown* restrictions for the Perth metropolitan and Peel regions will end at **12.01am** on **Sunday**, **14 February 2021**.

This means that from **12.01am** on **Sunday**, **14 February 2021** masks will no longer be required to be worn either inside or outside, there will be no travel restrictions in WA (except for remote Aboriginal communities) and the 4 square metre rule will be discontinued.

Contact Registers and the use of the Safe WA App will continue as part of post-lockdown life. Contact Registers and/or QR codes for the Safe WA App are mandatory for all places of worship, all parish offices and all archdiocesan facilities to assist in undertaking contact tracing if it is required.

Western Australians are encouraged to continue to practise physical distancing where possible, maintain good personal hygiene at all times and get tested when unwell.

As was the case before the lockdown, public or private events involving more than 500 patrons that require the approval of a local government authority will need an approved COVID Event Plan.

Today's announcement from the WA Government can be found at: https://www.wa.gov.au/government/covid-19-coronavirus

Further updates relevant to the Archdiocese of Perth can be accessed on the dedicated COVID-19 page on the archdiocesan website: http://www.perthcatholic.org.au/COVID19.htm

Yours sincerely in Christ,

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