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**Media Communique on COVID-19 positive case at the Church of the Assumption, PJ**

The Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur and the Archdiocesan Crisis Management Task Force have been notified of a parishioner who had attended the 11.30 am Mass at the Church of the Assumption, Jalan Templer, on Sunday, 14th of March 2021. The temperature recorded was normal at the time of entering the Church and the parishioner was asymptomatic. In addition, all MKN SOP requirements were strictly complied with.

The parishioner subsequently developed mild symptoms on Monday, 15th of March 2021 and proceeded to get tested. The result of the COVID-19 test, which was positive, was communicated to the Church of the Assumption in the late evening of the 16th of March 2021, who promptly notified the Archdiocese Crisis Task Force.

The case has been notified to the Ministry of Health (MOH) and is currently under investigation. The Church will offer full cooperation to the authorities and assist them with identifying close contacts, if necessary.

Please note that the MOH has established a criteria of identifying close contacts and only close contacts will be contacted for mandatory testing and given a Home Surveillance Order for quarantine.

In view that all the SOPs were adhered to in this case, if you had attended the 11.30 am Mass in Assumption Church on 14th of March 2021, there is no need for you to be tested unless you have been contacted by the MOH. However, should you develop any symptoms of COVID-19 (e.g. loss of sense of smell/taste, respiratory difficulties, flu-like symptoms, fever), please call the MOH Crisis Centre Hotline.

The interior of the Church has also been sanitised after the Sunday Masses, in accordance with the SOP.

The Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur and all our parishes would like to reaffirm our commitment to creating and maintaining a safe environment for those returning to public Masses by strictly complying with the MKN SOP and the Archdiocesan Guidelines. Nevertheless, we strongly urge the faithful who wish to physically attend Masses to continue to be vigilant by observing the 3 W's (wash and sanitise your hands, wear a mask, watch your distance) and avoiding the 3 C's (close, confined and congested areas).

**Issued on behalf of the Archdiocesan Crisis Management Task Force.**

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