Holy Week 2021

*With a slight easing of restrictions at the start of the Government’s Road Map, how the Diocese celebrates Holy Week and Easter is being reimagined.*

Our Cathedral and some churches are able to reopen this weekend for socially distanced worship with limited numbers, while others are remaining online for now.

Holy Week is the most important week of the Christian Year and before Covid, clergy and lay ministers from across the Diocese would gather together at the Cathedral on Maundy Thursday to celebrate the Chrism Eucharist. This year a gathering of all Diocesan clergy will not be possible.

Last year in the middle of the first lockdown, the Bishop held a Chrism Eucharist in the Chapel at his home at South Canonry, this year it is hoped he will be able to preside in the Cathedral.

Details on how the Chrism Eucharist will take place this year and who will be able to attend, along with how the holy oils for anointing the sick and dying and the oil for signing the cross at baptism and the oil of chrism will be distributed, will be sent out in the next few days.