



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

# STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

## A message to Parish Priests

### **Mandatory use of Victorian Government QR Code Service**

Last Friday (7 May 2021) the Victorian Government announced that it is moving to a single QR Code Covid-19 check-in system.

This means that by **6pm on Friday, 28 May**, all Parishes must use the free [Victorian Government QR Code Service](#) and have Covid marshals in place to ensure people are checking in at relevant Parish activities (e.g. Mass, weddings and funerals, and use of Parish spaces for community events).

If you are already using the free [Victorian Government QR Code Service](#) for your record-keeping, you don't need to do anything. This QR code system already integrates with the Victorian Department of Health's contact tracing system.

If you are using the CAM "Asta Solution" or another third party QR code application, you will need to switch to the free [Victorian Government QR Code Service](#) as soon as possible (and certainly by 28 May 2021). For instructions on how to switch, please go to: [coronavirus.vic.gov.au/qrcode](https://coronavirus.vic.gov.au/qrcode).

Parishes should continue to proactively encourage parishioners to check-in.

Parishes should also make reasonable efforts to provide or use alternative record-keeping systems for people who do not have access to, or cannot use, a personal mobile phone or another device (e.g. iPad) to use the QR Code Service to check in.

Manual record keeping (pen and paper) can only be used if electronic record keeping is temporarily unavailable such as during an internet outage.

I strongly encourage you to ensure that any switch over to the [Victorian Government QR Code Service](#) occurs well in advance of the closing date of 28 May.

Obviously, I very much regret the additional burden placed on you and your Parishes in relation to QR codes. I wish it were otherwise. However, if you need help or support registering, receiving or downloading the [Victorian Government QR Code Service](#), please feel free to contact; Asta QR Code Support on 03 9644 3705 or via email at [QRSupport@cam.org.au](mailto:QRSupport@cam.org.au).

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