

Short Activity Report

During the year 2020, a total of 69 services were held, of which 58 were services of Holy Communion. Throughout 2020 services were held on a weekly basis. However, when the Coronavirus, Covid-19, was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organisation, in March 2020, the services moved from public worship in the chapel to recorded services made available online via the chaplaincy website. Services of public worship resumed in July with a limited congregation of up to 30 people. This continued until public worship was again stopped just before Christmas. We were able to hold two Carol Services for a limited number of people, but our Eucharist of Christmas Midnight had to take place online without a congregation.

Throughout the year most of the services were taken by our chaplain The Revd Canon Brian Rodford. One service of Morning Prayer and six services of Evening Prayer were taken by Lay Minister Simone Yallop. On Palm Sunday, 5th April, there was an Ecumenical Service in St. Mary's Chapel televised by RTV Oost. Later in the year the chaplaincy also took part in an Ecumenical service in Goor.

In 2020 there were two funerals and a memorial service. There was one baptism service.

The average attendance at services in 2020 was 20. The average number of communicants was also 20. This is much lower than in previous years due to the Covid pandemic. When calculating the average attendance it was not possible to include the number of people who took part by watching from home. However, analysis shows that many people have been following our services online.