



## Guidelines for Mass Attendance

As we prepare to begin to once again gathering for Mass, please review the following information prior to coming to church. For the safety of our parish community, these safety precautions will need to be observed at all times:

- Prior to coming to church, please take a moment to go through a health protocol self-checklist; if you experience any of the symptoms, we ask that you stay home.
- Those most susceptible to contracting COVID-19 by virtue of age, medical condition or other vulnerability should not attend the in-person Mass.
- Weekday Mass resumes beginning June 15.
- Weekend Masses resume June 20-21 and will be held on Saturday at 5:00 pm, and Sunday at 8:30 am and 11:00 am.
- Maximum seating capacity for in-church for services during this time is 150.
- If you do attend a weekend mass, we ask you to consider allowing others the opportunity to attend the following weekend so that everyone has an opportunity to attend mass regularly.
- Please arrive to Mass early; the doors will open at 4:30 pm Saturday and 8:00 am and 10:30 am, respectively on Sunday. Ministers will escort you to your seats.
- You must sanitize your hands upon entering the church. We will have sanitizers at the doorway.
- You must wear a mask or face covering upon entering the church and for the duration of your time inside.
- You must stay within the designated areas that are in place to adhere to the social distancing measures.
- Follow the 6-foot social distancing practice at all times.
- Please follow the guidance of the ministers present who will direct you, seat you, or answer questions.
- We will be working hard between Masses to sanitize our worship space and prepare for future use throughout the day. If you would like to join our cleaning crew, please sign-up on the website.
- There will not be worship aids or hymnals in the pews.
- There will be no handshake of peace.
- Follow directions of the usher to receive communion.
- Communion will be distributed in the hand only; The Cup is discontinued indefinitely.
- After receiving Communion, step to the side, remove your mask and consume the precious host, then re-secure your mask before returning to your seat.
- After the final blessing and dismissal, you will be guided by an usher for departure.
- With regard to our weekly collection, there will be a collection basket in the narthex for you to deposit your offerings upon entering or exiting the church.
- If you are fearful or have any reluctance to return to Sunday observance at this time, you should not do so.
- The dispensation from the Sunday obligation remains in place indefinitely.

Please understand that this process is new to all of us and will require patience and cooperation so that we may joyously resume our communal celebration of the Holy Mass. Additionally, there will undoubtedly be a learning curve as we initiate this process, so please continue to monitor the parish website and email communications for updates, or call the parish center should you have any questions or concerns.