

These guidelines are based on the Archdiocese's 8 pages of guidelines for the reopening of the churches, and are for the health and welfare of our parishioners.

1. Because of our concern for the health and welfare of our people, especially those 65 and over, and those with serious health issues, we are following the Archdiocese's guidelines and are asking those 65 and over not to come to church, but to watch Mass on TV or Facebook. We respect each individual's common sense and will not deny anyone access to Sunday or daily Mass. We will continue to post Mass on Facebook, link to our youtube channel from our website and televise at least one Mass on the weekend on ETC channel 905. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been suspended until August 15, 2020.
2. Pews, restrooms, and other surfaces will be sanitized between each Mass. We may need extra volunteers to help with the sanitizing between Masses.
3. Hand sanitizer will be available at all entrances and should be used on entering.
4. We ask all families and individuals to maintain social distancing of 6' at all times. Masks may be worn and are recommended.
5. Seating will be available in every other pew. In between pews will be marked off. People are asked to sit at the ends of the pews near the aisles.
6. Offertory will remain the same pre-Covid19
7. Please do not hold hands at the Our Father or shake hands at the Sign of Peace.
8. Communion will be distributed by 2 ministers under 65, not the priest, at the regular time for Communion. They may wear face coverings but no gloves. Come to Communion single file in the center aisle and return by the side aisles. Mary side will go receive first and then St. Joseph side.
9. Communion will be distributed in the hand; please hold your hands flat so the Eucharistic Ministers can drop the Consecrated Host into your hands.
10. Maintain 6' spacing as you process to Communion and return to your seats.
11. For sanitary reasons there will be no offering of the Consecrated Wine.
12. Communion ministers will be persons under 65 who are healthy and willing to serve; they will sanitize their hands before and after serving. They will each consume any left-over Hosts from their dishes; extra Consecrated Hosts will not be returned to the Tabernacle.

13. Volunteers may take Communion to shut-ins who cannot attend.
14. Altar servers will not be needed; the priest will serve himself at the altar.
15. Musicians will be limited to 2 or 3 people; the choir will not assemble and sing.
16. For sanitary reasons there will be no music books or missalettes in the pews.
17. Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers will be scheduled as in the past; please check the bulletin.
18. The church will remain open at all times outside of Mass for private prayer.
19. As of **Saturday, May 16**, a priest is available in the Reconciliation Room for Confession at 4:30 PM on Saturdays. Please maintain 6' separation or use the screen.
20. As of **Tuesday, May 19**, public celebration of **Weekday** Masses, Weddings and Funerals within Mass, Infant Baptisms, and Memorial Masses may resume, with the limitations listed above: 6' distance, Communion in the hand, etc. Weekday Masses will be in the main church to allow for 6' separation.
21. Public celebrations of Sunday Masses, Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults, and First Communions may resume. We will celebrate the weekend Masses at the regular times of 5:30 PM on Saturday, and 8 and 10 AM on Sundays, following the limitations described above in numbers 1-17. If needed, the daily Mass Chapel will be available.
22. These guidelines may be revised in the weeks to come as we become more aware of the needs and practical difficulties for our people.