

June 8, 2020



Updated Guidelines for Mass Attendance

In continued accordance with direction from our Archbishop Gregory Hartmayer, please note the following guidelines remain in place...

A few notable items:

- It is OK to stay home. If you are at risk, or if you are showing any symptoms of illness, have a fever of 99.6 or greater, please stay home. NOTE: The Archbishop has extended the dispensation from the obligation of attending Mass, for everyone, through June 28th. In addition, your attendance at any Mass throughout the week (either in person, livestreamed or recorded) fulfills your obligation for weekly Mass.
- The Sanctuary will be open weekdays for individuals to pray, following social distancing guidelines, from 8AM to 9 PM. The Chapel remains closed. The offices will remain locked, please call for an appointment.
- Weekly Mass Schedule:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
9 AM	9 AM	9 AM	9 AM	9 AM	9 AM	7:15 AM
12:10 PM	12:10 PM	7 PM	12:10 PM	12:10 PM	5 PM Vigil	8:45 AM
	7 PM Spanish					10:45 AM
						12:30 PM
All Masses in GREEN will be Live-Streamed through YouTube.						5 PM
Masks are required at ALL masses, see "particulars" for details.						7PM-Spanish

The Particulars of Going to Mass:

- Please take your temperature *at home*, before coming to church. Remain at home if it is 99.6 or higher. If you are exhibiting any symptoms of illness, stay home.
- No Mask, no admittance to the building.
- The capacity of our church, in order to comply with social distancing guidelines, is 175. Once 175 people have entered our building, we will close the doors. This is about 16% of our normal capacity. This number will increase by approx. 55 when the PLC is open.
- Please respect our volunteer ushers/staff and the difficult job they are doing. You may be asked to return for a future mass, or you can always watch on line.
- Please sanitize your hands before entering the building. We will have a limited supply on hand, and recommend you bring your own.
- The church may only be entered through the main front doors.
- Cry rooms will not be available.

- As you enter the church, we will have tables with collection baskets. Please bring your envelopes or donations and drop them into the basket BEFORE Mass. If attending Mass any day other than Sunday, you can drop your donation in the outside lock box to the right of main entrance.
- You will be seated in church by ushers. Please follow their direction and stay in line with your complete family respecting social distancing. We will seat the church from the front to the back. Only handicap seating will have special accommodations. We will be using the balcony as well.
- During Mass, we must all refrain from hand holding, physical sign of peace, and singing.
- Masks need to remain on during the entire Mass, with the exception of when you receive communion. After taking the body of Christ in your hand (there will be NO receiving on the tongue until further notice), step to the side, remove your mask, and consume the Host. Replace your mask to return to your seat.
- Communion will be distributed in an orderly fashion. Please follow the direction of the ushers.
- Please do not leave after communion.
- At the end of Mass, rows will be dismissed at the direction of the ushers.
- Please do not linger or congregate in the hallways for the immediate future.

Confession:

- Our regular schedule of confessions on Wednesday and Saturday is back in place.
- At the end of Mass, all congregants will be asked to leave the church while the priests prepare stations around the church. You will be directed back in for confession by ushers.
- Confessions will be in the open church, spread out so as not to be within hearing distance of each other. Confessional rooms will not be used at this time.
- Please be prepared with your confession and keep it minimal at this time as we expect a large number of penitents.

Other Sacraments:

- At this time, we are working through the details of how Baptisms, First Eucharist, Confirmation and other sacraments will be scheduled in the near future. More details to come.

In conclusion, this is new and to some extent uncomfortable for all of us. We ask you to show patience and trust that the Holy Spirit will guide us all through these changes.

Sincerely,

Rev. Paul A. Flood, Pastor