

ATTENDING MASS GUIDELINES:

BEFORE SIGNING UP TO ATTEND MASS, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ THE GUIDELINES: PRIOR, DURING & AFTER ATTENDING MASS

Based on the guidelines from the Archdiocese, the CDC and the local authorities, below there is a list of requirements you would need to comply with in order to attend Mass onsite.

Guidelines to comply PRIOR to attending Mass on site:

- The number of attendees will be limited. We will be using the online system, "Sign Up Genius" to sign
- All parishioners are asked to take their temperature prior to coming to Mass. If anyone in your family has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or greater, or exhibits any symptoms of illness, everyone in the family needs to stay home.
- The doors will be open approximately 15 minutes prior to the start of Mass.
- **All** parishioners must bring their own face mask and must wear it throughout the Mass.
- It is strongly recommended not to bring children under 12 years old to attend Mass onsite.
- Your temperature will be taken, if your temperature is 99.6 or more you and your household would be asked to return home.
- Before you are directed to your seat, you will need to **sanitized** your hands at the sanitizing stations.
- To ensure safe distancing, seating will be configured differently and ushers will direct you to the next available seat.
- The restrooms will be closed. Restrooms will be available for **emergency use only**.

Guidelines to comply DURING Mass on site:

- Baptismal font and holy water containers will remain empty.
- "Cry Room" will be closed.
- All hymnals and missalettes (and other items) have been removed from the pews. Congregational/Choir singing will be discouraged.
- There be no physical contact during the Sign of Peace nor the Lord's Prayer.
- At the time of **Holy Communion**, you will be requested to **use your personal sanitizer** before you get in the line. Wait for the Usher's directions to leave your seat to get into the line for Holy Communion.
- Holy Communion will be given only on the hand, not tongue.
- We will not be passing around the offering basket. You can either contribute your offering online or leave it in the basket located at the entrance of the Church.

Guidelines to comply AFTER attending Mass:

- Dismissal will be row by row to keep members spaced appropriately. Please follow usher's directions.
- Chapel will be closed.
- Do not leave any paper, mask or gloves in the pews; there will be waste baskets outside by the exit.
- As much as we would like to talk with our friends, whom we have not seen for a while, we need to encourage you to wave from afar and leave church property as soon as possible.

Your cooperation will be the most important factor in this transition to a healthy and safe come back to our Parish.