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My Dear Parishioners,

While our county moved in the Green Phase on June 26th, all of us need to do our part to make sure that going to Mass is a peaceful and safe experience for all. Please take the time to read the updated instructions below which were provided by the Archdiocese. We ask everyone to follow these guidelines when attending Mass during this period:

GENERAL POINTS:

- ❖ The faithful continue to be dispensed by the Archbishop from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation until further notice. You are not required to attend Mass at this time.
- ❖ To those with pre-existing conditions or general health issues, please *consult your doctor* before returning to Mass.
- ❖ Our hope is to keep the Facebook Live Mass going for at least the near future.

MASS SCHEDULE:

- ❖ Monday through Saturday: 7:30 AM
- ❖ Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
- ❖ Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM (Starting first weekend of July)

BEFORE COMING TO MASS:

- ❖ Before entering the Church, please put on a Face Mask or Cloth Covering. Exceptions to this are “children younger than 2 years old, anyone who has trouble breathing or is unconscious, and anyone who is incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cloth face covering without assistance” (CDC Guidelines).
- ❖ Please do not come to Mass if you are sick or are at higher risk for severe illness with COVID19.
- ❖ Missalettes will still not be in the pews during this time. You are welcome to bring your own missal/readings with you. Or download iBreviary app on your mobile device.

ENTERING THE CHURCH:

- ❖ Hand sanitizers will be available at the Church entrances. Please use the hand sanitizer upon entering and exiting the Church.



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SEATING:

- ❖ When taking your seat, please honor all posted signs about where you may sit. Every other pew will be open to ensure proper social distancing.
- ❖ Members of the same household may sit together as normal. Please place 6 feet between your household and members of a different household.
- ❖ **Cry Room:** Because it is a confined space, the cry room is closed until further notice.

DURING MASS:

- ❖ There will be singing at Mass.
- ❖ There will be no collection taken up during the Offertory. Instead, there will be a basket in the back of church for your contribution.
- ❖ The Sign of Peace and the distribution of the Precious Blood continue to be suspended.
- ❖ There should be no holding of hands during the Our Father.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION:

- ❖ Please form one single line in the center isle and each of the side isles.
- ❖ Please maintain social distancing in the Communion line. Please keep several pews between yourself and the person in front of you while in line and when returning to your pew.
- ❖ During the Green phase the strong recommendation remains in force that the faithful receive the Body of Christ in the hand.
- ❖ Please remove your mask before receiving Holy Communion.

EXITING THE CHURCH:

- ❖ At the conclusion of Mass, please exit the Church and proceed directly to the parking lot. Please do not congregate in the church or in the gathering space.
- ❖ Please take a parish bulletin home with you
- ❖ Please wear your mask until you exit the Church.