

## RETURNING TO MASS INSTRUCTIONS

We are asking that all participants make reservations for a **SPECIFIC MASS TIME**. We have seen a steady increase in attendance each week. **As Masses fill up, Walk-Ins without Reservations will need to wait to be seated and may even need to be turned away.** If you are not yet comfortable with attending a Mass, you may sign up for a Car-side Communion Service after Mass.

Although public Masses are resuming, the Bishop's dispensation from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation remains in effect for an indefinite period of time until there is greater clarity and confidence that the overall risk associated with the virus is diminished. We wish to remind all of our faithful to stay home if you are not well, have a temperature, believe you may have come into contact with the virus, or believe you are at risk due to the factors identified by the Centers for Disease Control and the Illinois Department of Public Health.

### Procedures that must be followed when attending Masses:

- **Arrival at the Church**
  - Arrive early.
  - Face coverings are highly encouraged at times when 6 ft. of separation may not be maintained (entering and exiting the church); coverings may be removed once seated in your pew if desired.
  - Use hand sanitizer available in the vestibule prior to entering the church.
  - Gloves should not be worn.
  - Each pew must be seated separately by an usher. (Similar to a wedding)
  - Families may sit together in the same pew while maintaining 6 ft. social distancing from those in other pews.
  - Maintain at least 6 ft. social distancing while waiting for an usher to seat you.
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- **Liturgical Accommodations/Modifications**
  - There will be no congregational singing.
  - There will be no missalettes in the pews. You may bring your own worship aid (a Missal, *The Magnificat*, *Word Among Us*, a printed paper with prayers). You can even find some great apps to use on your phone with the Mass readings and prayers (Laudate, iMissal, iBreviary, the Magnificat, etc.). Missalletes will also be available in the lobby of the Activity Center, during office hours, if you would like to pick one up. You can keep it at home, bringing it back and forth to Mass each weekend, until things return to normal.
  - Weekly bulletins will not be available. You can access a bulletin on the church website.
  - The Sign of Peace is to be exchanged without physical contact.
  - You are encouraged to receive Communion in the hand; the Precious Blood will not be distributed.
  - Be mindful that you may not wear gloves when receiving Holy Communion.
  - The collection will be gathered in a designated, well-marked space at the back of the church.

- **Dismissal from the Church**

- Each pew will be dismissed by an usher to maintain social distancing.
- Refrain from congregating and visiting in the parking lot.

Please feel free to contact any member of the COVID 19 Response Team if you have questions, concerns.

Peace and Blessings,

St. John Vianney COVID 19 Response Team

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