



St. Joseph Catholic Church  
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## Guidelines for the Resumption of Mass

Daily Mass resumes 5/11/20

Weekend Mass resumes 5/16/20 & 5/17/20

- Worshipers who are sick or high risk should NOT enter the building.
  - This includes but is not limited to:
    - o Do you have a fever?
    - o Have you been exposed to someone with COVID-19?
    - o Do you have respiratory issues?
    - o Are you immunocompromised?
    - o Are you over 65?
- Worshipers are to use the restroom only **if absolutely necessary.**
- Worshipers are strongly encouraged to receive Communion in the hand.
- Please enter through the two front doors to allow for counting.
- Please do not congregate at the doors or in the front of the church before or after Mass.
- Each Mass will be limited to the **first 120 worshipers** – an usher will count you upon arrival.
- Please allow the Ushers to seat you as we will NOT be using all the pews to maintain social distancing.  
**DO NOT** sit in the pews marked with the blue tape and an “X”.
- The Cry Room will be locked.
- Please remain in your seat for Communion – the Priest, Deacon or Eucharistic Minister will come to the pew in front of you to give Communion.
- There will be no Sign of Peace.
- There will be no passing of offertory baskets – these will be located at the back of church and you may drop your offering going to your seat or exiting the church.
- There will be no procession of the offertory gifts of bread and wine.
- There will be no holy water in the fonts.
- You may wear masks and gloves, but you are **NOT** required to do so.
- There will be no more than (2) two Altar servers and they will not sit together.
- Ushers will direct you to exit the church – we will exit from the rear to the front one row at a time to maintain social distancing. Please do not congregate around the doors after Mass.
- We have added an additional Mass to aid with Social Distancing on **Sundays at 6:00pm.** Please consider attending this Mass so that our elderly parishioners may attend an earlier Mass during the morning hours.
- The church will remain open during normal office hours; please continue to maintain social distancing.
- Facebook Live Mass will continue for now at the 8:00 am Mass.
- Please remember that these are just guidelines outlined by the Diocese of Charleston and Catholic Mutual in conjunction with DHEC and the CDC. Only **YOU** can determine when it is safe for you and your family to return Mass. We only ask that you are conscientious of your safety and the safety of your fellow parishioners.