

While we gradually return to public worship, we will all be searching for the right mix of progress and caution. As we thankfully begin our phased re-opening, it is important to acknowledge the concern for the health and safety of our congregants and neighbors. Every attempt will be made to make faithful and responsible decisions about the church's worship in the wake of the Covid-19 global pandemic.

Archbishop Vigneron has dispensed all of the faithful from their Sunday obligation through September 6, 2020.

- ◊ People 65 years and older **are encouraged to stay home during this phase.**
- ◊ Those caring for the sick **are encouraged to remain home.**
- ◊ Those who show any signs of illness **absolutely should remain home.**

Following archdiocesan guidelines, St. Sebastian will put into practice the following:

PRIOR TO THE LITURGY:

- ◊ ONLY ONE DOOR WILL BE USED during this time. The north-west (breezeway) door will be open. All other doors will remain closed.
- ◊ There will be a strict limit as to the number of attendees (NO MORE THAN 65) at each Mass. The cooperation and understanding of all will be of the utmost importance.
- ◊ All persons must wear a face mask/covering - no one will be admitted without one. You must provide your own mask or face covering. **The church does not supply these.**
- ◊ When in the church, the social distancing rule of 6 feet apart must be observed keeping in mind that family members who live together can sit together.
- ◊ All are encouraged to bring hand sanitizer and use it prior to entering the church building.

DURING THE LITURGY:

- ◊ The Greeting of Peace and the Precious Blood will not be offered.
- ◊ Those standing & waiting for the reception of Holy Communion, must observe the 6 feet social distancing rule.
- ◊ Eucharistic Ministers will not be active during this first phase
- ◊ Altar Servers will not be active during this first phase.
- ◊ Lectors will have strict guidelines to follow and will be notified by e-mail of these guidelines.
- ◊ Collection baskets will not be passed from person to person. They will be available at the door of church for the collection of your offering.
- ◊ Congregational singing will be suspended until further notice.

TEMPORARY MASS SCHEDULE

We will be observing all of the above parameters during daily & weekend liturgies

ONLY THE MASSES LISTED BELOW WILL BE CELEBRATED AT THIS TIME
No First Friday or First Saturday Mass. This is a GRADUAL re-opening plan. Watch for updates next week



Wednesday, May 20th: 8:00am Mass at St. Sebastian

Wednesday, May 27th: 8:00am Mass at St. Sebastian

Wednesday, June 3rd: 8:00am Mass at St. Sebastian

Sunday, May 31st: 8:00am Mass at St. John the Baptist

10:00am Mass at St. Sebastian

5:00pm Mass at St. Albert the Great

Please check the parish bulletin, website and Facebook page for updated information.

The parish staff will be meeting regularly to assess these strategies.

Please be patient as we navigate through these challenging times.