



## Youth Formation COVID Protocols

### General Expectations for Group Gatherings

We'll be following the following guidelines for any gatherings we host on the church property.

This will mean that any events we hold on site will:

- All attendees will need to register prior to any event via the methodology outlined in the communication sent by the Director of Youth Formation or other staff (such as SignUp Genius, email or text message replies). Anyone who does not register and sign-up for an event will be asked to leave unless there is specific permission granted by the Director of Youth Formation.
- Attendance for all events will be capped to reflect the guidelines as outlined by the city of Nashville. We will do our best to offer as many options and opportunities as possible but all events will be limited.
  - **As of January 26, 2021**, we are following the "Rule of 8" where groups of 8 may gather and be seated 12-15 feet apart from other groups. Within these groups, participants will be socially distanced, masked for the entirety of their programming.
  - We will be meeting in either the gym, outside, or off-campus. Attendance will mirror room capacity guidelines of 200 sq. ft. per household as recommended by the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee.
- Require all participants to wear masks for the entirety of our time together.
- Seat all participants socially distanced using tiny cones and tape measures to continue in our spacing efforts. This will be maintained even if we break into "small groups" as well as any large group times.



### **General Expectations for Youth Formation Pastoral Visits**

These visits could include walks around the St. B's path, meetings with 3 or less youth and adult leaders, pastoral counseling, or more.

- All participants are required to wear masks for the entirety of their meeting together.
- If seated, all participants will be socially distanced for the entirety of their meeting together.
- Meetings will be outside unless weather dictates otherwise, including meetings offsite. If meetings have to be inside, participants will be in a well ventilated space and socially distanced.
- For contact tracing purposes as well as Safeguarding, all interactions are recorded at the church office in the event of a family needing to be contacted for possible contact tracing.
- The Youth Director's interaction with students is limited during this time. Scheduled pastoral visits are spaced out to every three days and sporadic interactions will have to be determined based on the Youth Director's schedule to help keep our teens and families safe.