

Holy Communion distribution process at St Francis

- There will only be two persons distributing Holy Communion, the Priest and a Deacon or Acolyte.
- The minister will rotate sections and neither will be stationed to distribute at the main aisle.
- Parishioners who do not want to receive communion must exit the pew if someone from another family would otherwise need to crawl over their legs to get in or out of the pew. The non-recipient can come up for a blessing or step aside while others pass-by.
- All persons need to remember to keep a 6-foot distance between families while coming up the aisle. The green diamond tiles on the floor are 6 feet apart and should be used as a guide.
- The Priest will step down off the Altar to distribute Communion to the green, blue and purple sections.
 - The priest will first stand near the green section at the diagonal aisle between green and blue. Parishioners will come out of the **GREEN SECTION** using the aisle on their right, **NOT** the main aisle. They will receive communion in the hand, step to the left, lower their mask and consume the host. They will continue left and up the main aisle back to their pew.
 - The priest will move left to the edge of the aisle between blue and purple sections to distribute to the blue section. Parishioners will come out of the **BLUE SECTION** using the aisle to their right. They will receive communion in the hand, step to the left, lower their mask and consume the host. They will continue left and circle back to their pew.
 - The priest will move slightly left to distribute to the purple section. Parishioners will come out of the **PURPLE SECTION** using the aisle to their left. They will receive communion in the hand, step to the right, lower their mask and consume the host. They will continue right and circle back to their pew.
- The Deacon or Acolyte will step down off the Altar to distribute Communion to the pink, gold and yellow sections.
 - The deacon/acolyte will first stand near the pink section. Parishioners will come out of the **PINK SECTION** using the aisle to their right. They will receive communion in the hand, step to the left, lower their mask and consume the host. They will continue left and circle back to their pew.
 - The deacon/acolyte will move slightly left to distribute to the gold section. Parishioners will come out of the **GOLD SECTION** using the aisle to their left. They will receive communion in the hand, step to the right, lower their mask and consume the host. They will continue right and circle back to their pew.
 - The deacon/acolyte will move left to the diagonal aisle between the gold and yellow sections. Parishioners will come out of the **YELLOW SECTION** using the aisle on their left, **NOT** the main aisle. They will receive communion in the hand, step to the right, lower their mask and consume the host. They will continue right and up the main aisle back to their pew.
 - As the hospitality minister in the Narthex sees the last of the yellow section heading up to communion, he will direct the parishioners in the Narthex, starting with those closest to the fireplace, to proceed through the door near the donation kiosk and up the same path as the yellow section. Parishioners come back up the center aisle, past the baptistry and return to the Narthex via the large wooden doors, which will be propped open, minimizing touch contact.