

# REOPENING – GUIDELINES TO PARISHIONERS

*We are coming back – a bit at a time! Our hope – and intent – is to accommodate all of you in getting to the mass of your choice. However, due to social distancing guidelines, we may not be able to host all those who wish to come to a particular mass. Please try to be flexible in the mass you wish to attend; if Saturday 5PM mass is not available, perhaps you could come on Friday morning at 9AM. Look on the bright side – we will be able to gather together again as a faith community! That is a great thing. 😊*

PLEASE BE PATIENT AND UNDERSTANDING WITH US. THIS IS NEW TO ALL OF US,  
AND WE HAVE TO ROLL IT OUT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WORKS BEST

- Masses will begin again on Saturday, May 16
- Our regular mass schedule will be maintained. Fr. Jon will be our celebrant nearly 100% of the time.
  - Saturday, 5PM
  - Sunday, 9AM and 11:30AM
  - Tuesday, 12:30PM
  - Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 9:00AM
- There will be no no holy wanner nor hymnals in the church. Re the readings, there are two alternatives for you:
  - The Flocknote has a link each week to the upcoming week's daily scripture readings under the heading "Daily Scripture Readings". You can follow that link and print out the readings for the Sunday mass and bring it to church with you. The same link is available on the parish website.
  - You could have a subscription to "Give Us This Day", a monthly missal containing all the readings, a daily meditation and other prayers. Talk to Katherine in the parish office at 541-344-1191.
- Mass attendance is limited to 20 parishioner attendees, plus the celebrant and liturgical ministers, keeping us consistent with the "no gatherings larger than 25 persons" directive
- Parishioners must register to attend any given mass
  - Registration for masses will be offered on a "cycle" basis
    - Per the Archdiocese, the "cycle" should be determined in a way that allows all parishioners wanting to come to mass to do so once each "cycle"
    - We are initially hoping to set a cycle of "mass once per week"
      - We have a capacity of 140 attendees per week (7 weekly masses X 20 attendees)
        - If demand exceeds that capacity of 140, the "cycle" may become once every two weeks, or three weeks, etc.
  - Registration will be on a "first come, first serve basis"
  - Parishioners may only sign up for one mass per "cycle"
- Mass registration will be done through an online tool called SignUpGenius
  - A separate weekly Flocknote will go out each Monday with a link to the sign ups for the next cycle of Saturday-evening-through-Friday-morning masses. This invitation "link" will also be accessible on the website.
    - Each mass will be listed individually
    - You may only sign up for ONE mass for each invitation cycle
    - You may register multiple family members for a given mass
    - Please see the "Mass Sign Up Procedure" document for details on how to sign up
  - If you do not get or read the Flocknote communications or use the website, you may call the parish at 541-344-1191 and ask to be signed up. Do not call before Monday afternoon for the next cycle.

*Note: the parish office is not staffed full-time during this shutdown.*  
*You would be better served to use the electronic sign up procedure.*
  - You may not sign up for multiple weeks at a time – each week requires its own registration. Registration for the next cycle (beginning with Saturday 5PM Mass and ending with Friday morning's 9AM Mass) is available on the preceding Monday.

- There will be a “door monitor” parishioner at the door for each mass
  - You are asked to arrive 15 minutes before the scheduled mass time
  - You must check-in and be checked off the registration list
  - To facilitate contact tracing (in case of the need for such), you must provide your phone number (this will happen automatically when you register online)
  - If you are not on the pre-registration list, you will not be allowed entry
  - The door will be locked when mass begins. If you arrive late, you will not be allowed entry.
  - At the end of mass, please wait your turn and depart as directed by the Door Monitor, which may be either by the side or main door.
- You must sit only in designated available seating
  - Please leave at least 3 seats open between you and the next person to comply with 6’ social distancing guidelines
    - Household members may sit together
  - Please leave an index card behind on your seat as you exit to help us to target between-the-masses cleaning/sanitizing
- If you sing along with the songs during mass, you must wear a mask
- Distribution of Holy Eucharist
  - Note: the priest and the Eucharistic Minister will wear masks during distribution
  - Please form a single line in the middle aisle
  - Please leave 6’ between you and the person in front of you
    - Household members may maintain their normal distance
  - If you wish to receive the host on your tongue, you must wait till the end of the line
- At dismissal, please do not leave your seat until you are given the OK by the usher (door monitor). Make sure to leave 6’ between you and the person in front as you depart.

#### **NOTES OF INTEREST**

- The Archbishop has suspended the Sunday Obligation (the requirement to go to Mass on Sunday) through the end of this year. If you do not feel comfortable going out, you are absolutely entitled to stay at home.
- The requirement for receiving Holy Eucharist is to receive at least once a year.
- We encourage our senior citizens (60+ years of age) to exercise extra caution in maintaining social distancing. Do not push yourself to attend if you feel it is not in your best interest.
- Masses will be kept intentionally shorter than usual, in an effort to reduce risk.
- Do NOT come to Mass if you are sick.
- Please do not try to church-hop to attend masses at other parishes. All the parishes in the area are dealing with the same restrictions there that we have here at St. Jude’s.

*Welcome back to St. Jude’s! This has been a difficult period for all of us.  
God willing, things will improve from here on out, even as we all adjust to the “new normal”.*