St. John Brebeuf Instructions for Reconciliation Participants Updated 5.29.20

While in our church, we ask that you follow the following guidelines:

All participants must be on the reservation list, one person per reservation. No walk-ins allowed.

Before you arrive: Check your temperature; if you have a temperature please do not come to church. Stay home if you are ill. Make sure you have a face covering to bring and wear (we do not have extra masks). Remember to bring your registration.

When you arrive: Arrive at the South entrance to the church at your selected time. A greeter will welcome you, and you will be required to check in.

The greeter will verify that all attendees are symptom-free. The greeter will ask: Is anyone feeling ill today? Does anyone have a temperature today? Has anyone been directly exposed to COVID-19 in the last 14 days? Anyone who responds "yes" to any of these questions will be reminded that they should not enter.

You will be required to wear a mask and required to use hand sanitizer. Please follow our volunteers' directions at all times, and please be on time. If you are early, you will not be allowed inside the church.

Social distancing guidelines must be followed. The floor of the church will have tape marks showing where to stand. All penitents must wear a mask or facial covering through the entire sacrament.

At this time reconciliations will not be done in the "confessional"; they will be done face-to-face. Participants will wait in line using social distancing, and will sit six feet from the priest during the reconciliation. Both the priest and penitent will wear masks.

Once you are finished speaking with the priest, an usher will direct you to exit the church. Please use only the designated "Exit" doors on the east side of the church.

Your penance will be fulfilled outside the church. You will not be allowed to remain in the church after speaking with the priest. Please take any worship aids with you.

Participants will not be allowed to sit in the pews, and the bathrooms will be closed.

We encourage visitors to use the restroom in advance, for your safety and the safety of others. Do not congregate outside the church. Continue to wear your face covering or mask until you leave where worshipers are.