
Welcoming all to encounter Jesus, grow as disciples, reach out in faith and service.

Reopening Mass at Saint Anne's

Instructions for Attending Mass

We are very excited to be able to celebrate Mass together again! In order to keep our Masses as safe, joyful, and prayerful as possible, please follow these guidelines. They are based on the instructions of Bishop Mark on reopening Masses in the Diocese of Saskatoon.

When you arrive

1. You will see hand sanitizer by both entrances. Please sanitize your hands or wash your hands in a bathroom. All doors will be blocked open to minimize touching of shared surfaces.
2. The collection basket will be waiting in front of the altar. If you wish to make a contribution, please place your donation in the basket before Mass begins.
3. If you need to receive a low gluten host or from the chalice, talk to Fr. Matthew.
4. For weekend Masses, please sit in the section you have signed up for.
5. For daily Masses, you can sit wherever you want, respecting social distancing rules.
6. Throughout this time, as you are entering the church and choosing where to sit, everyone must respect social distancing rules. Always remain six feet apart from anyone not in your household.
7. Masks are now required for all Masses and other indoor activities at St. Anne's.
8. We will all be happy to see each other and eager to have time to pray in the church. Please greet people warmly (at a safe distance) and take time to pray. Pews will be sanitized before and after each Mass.

During Mass

1. The government's reopening plan asks us to restrict singing. When wearing masks, singing is allowed but not recommended. At this point, we may include some congregational singing and chanting.
2. During the sign of peace, please maintain distancing from anyone not in your household. A kind bow or wave is a great way to offer the sign of peace at a distance.
3. Communion will be distributed after Mass has ended. This will feel strange at first, but please remember that the most important thing is that we safely and prayerfully receive Jesus together. The reception of communion will go like this:
 - a. All communion ministers will sanitize their hands and wear masks.
 - b. Using markings on the floor, maintain distancing while coming forward.
 - c. When you are in line with the front pews, the minister will say "The body of Christ." Still at a distance, you will respond "Amen," and then step forward to receive communion.
 - d. Ministers may resanitize their hands between communicants.
 - e. Anyone wishing to receive communion on the tongue must only do so after everyone else has received.
 - f. After you receive, please return to your pew for a time of prayer.