

Guidelines for Mass: May 2020

1. Only 25% of the Church's capacity can attend mass at a time: Holy Family, 85 people.
2. Everyone must wear a mask to attend mass at any church.
3. Everyone should sanitize upon entering and exiting the church.
4. Clergy will not be allowed to touch anyone prior to or after masses.
5. Safe-Distancing must be observed: 6 feet apart, except for a family in the pew.
6. There will be no choirs but cantors can lead the music.
7. There will be no song/prayer books allowed in the pews.
8. No Holy Water fonts are allowed at the doors of the church.
9. No communion from the cups or chalices.
10. Those who arrive late will not be able to enter. Please be on time.
11. The entrance near the choir (southwest corner) will not be accessible prior to mass.
12. All exits will be available for departure after mass.
13. Baskets will be at the doors of the church for the Offertory Collection. There will be No Offertory passed or Procession, so please use baskets provided.
14. Communion is expected to be in the hands, so please sanitize and no gloves allowed.
15. Do not try to take or grab the host from the minister.
16. During communion everyone is to stand 6 feet apart, as the floor is marked.
17. The church will be sanitized before and after each mass, so please don't leave anything in the pews upon departure.
18. Only clergy (priest and deacons) will take part in the entrance and exit processions.
19. There will be no altar servers assisting for the present time.
20. Communion cannot be brought to shut-ins at this time.
21. Those over 65 or with exiting health issues **should not** attend mass. Use TV or media.
22. The obligation to attend mass continues to be **dispensed by Bishop Duca & the USCCB**.
23. Continued mailing or use of the Drop Box at the church office for offering is great.
24. The ban on Wedding & Funeral masses continues until further notice.
25. To fill the 134 capacity at Holy Family Church it will be 1st come, 1st served. So sorry!
26. There will be no touch, holding hands or hugging at the Sign of Peace, Our Father or other times, except for immediate families who chose to do so.

These guidelines are going to be **VERY DIFFICULT** for us but they are necessary until we get a safe environment for all to live in until post Covid-19. Some may disagree with them and want to do what they like as their personal right. This can be selfish and even dangerous amid this invisible killer. Sacrifice your desires and follow these guidelines for the common good. Let's be a Holy Family, A Safe Family and a Respectful Family for all.

Masses at Holy Family will begin in the church on Tuesday, May 19th at 5PM. This weekend will be the **last weekend mass via Facebook, Sunday, May 17 at 9:30 AM.**