



DIOCESE *of* LACROSSE

On 14 May 2020 the Diocese of La Crosse issued Guidelines for the Public Celebration of Masses, effective 1 August 2020 this additional directive should be followed within the Diocese of La Crosse.

Face masks/ coverings must be worn by all individuals, 5 years or older, present within our Churches, businesses and office spaces, or attending any function associated with the ministry of the Diocese of La Crosse.

- Face coverings are required when indoors or in enclosed space, other than private residence (*Enclosed space is defined as a confined space, open to the public, where individuals congregate*)
- Face coverings are required when another person(s) who are not members of individual's household or living unit are present in the same room or enclosed space
- Face coverings are required even if you are able to maintain proper social distancing
- Face coverings must be worn to cover the nose and mouth completely
- Face coverings should not include face shields, mesh masks or masks with holes, openings or vents
- Exceptions are made for certain individuals who are exempt as outlined in the CDC guidance

Individuals may remove the face covering in the following situations:

While a single individual is giving a religious presentation, the single speaker may remove the face covering while actively speaking. While the face covering is removed, the speaker must remain at least 6 feet away from all other individuals at all times. (exception vi.-emergency order #1)

This directive is given in consideration of Executive Order #82, issued by Governor Evers on 30 July 2020, proclaiming a public health emergency and Emergency Order #1 and remains in place until 28 September 2020.

All other previous issued directives and considerations of 14 May 2020 remain in place.