



## **WELCOME BACK TO MASS AT ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH**

Great news! Archbishop Pérez has announced that parishes of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia will be able to resume public Masses the weekend of June 6 and 7. Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus as we make our way back to the in person celebration of the Mass.

All of us need to do our part to make sure that our return to Mass is a peaceful and safe experience for everyone. Please take the time to read the instructions below. We ask each of you to follow these guidelines when attending Mass during this period:

### **GENERAL POINTS**

- The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation continues to be lifted during the Yellow Phase. You are not required to attend Mass at this time.
- Please stay home if you are sick.
- Please stay home if your health is compromised, putting you at higher risk of severe illness with COVID19.
- The Saturday Vigil Mass will continue to be available via live-stream. View it on our website home page ([stjohnfisherchurch.com](http://stjohnfisherchurch.com)), or on the parish facebook page (Saint John Fisher).

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.

Weekdays beginning June 8: 7:30 a.m. in the Church

### **BEFORE COMING TO MASS (FACE MASK REQUIRED)**

- Please wash your hands for 20 seconds using soap and water.
- Before entering the Church, every person age 3 and older must wear a face mask or cloth covering.
- Please do not come to Mass if you are sick or are at higher risk for severe illness with COVID19.
- Missalettes will not be in the pews during this period. You are welcome to bring your own missal/readings with you.

### **ENTERING THE CHURCH**

- Please use entrance from parking lot or main entrance towards parish center.
- Greeters will be at these two entrances to welcome you, thank you for wearing a mask, direct you to the non-touch hand sanitizer, and offer a non-touch temperature reading for your and other people's health.

## **SEATING**

- When taking your seat, you will notice every other pew is taped off for social distancing. Those of the same household do not need to social distance from each other and should sit together.
- Maintain social distance space of 6 feet apart in pews between families.
- Church hall is available for seating with social distancing.

## **DURING MASS**

- Ushers will use baskets to take up ONE collection each week. Place all envelopes and cash in the basket (Sunday, Maintenance, Special 2nd Collections).
- There will not be an offertory procession with gifts at this time.
- Music will be available by organ/piano for hymns. Mass parts will be recited. Due to the extraordinary capacity to spread the coronavirus by singing, there will not be a cantor or choir at this time.
- There will be no Sign of Peace during Mass.

## **RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- Clergy and lay ministers for Holy Eucharist will use hand sanitizer before they distribute Holy Communion.
- There will be four Communion stations in the sanctuary and one for the church hall. In center aisle, form one line for Holy Communion. Please observe social distancing of 6 feet of spacing in the Communion line.
- Parishioners are requested to receive the Eucharist in the hand.
- Wear your mask, receive the Sacred Host in your hands, step to the side, lift/lower your mask, receive Holy Communion, refit your mask and proceed back to the pew.
- Anyone who prefers to receive the Eucharist on their tongue is asked to join the end of the line for the priest.

## **EXITING THE CHURCH**

- Bulletins will be available on tables after Mass in the church foyers.
- Cleaning of Church - Parishioners will be asked to assist with disinfecting the surfaces of pews and chairs after each Mass. Disposable gloves and cleaning supplies will be available after each Mass to apply disinfectant.
- Church and bathrooms will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected during weekdays in preparation for Sunday Masses.
- At the conclusion of Mass, please exit the Church and proceed directly to your car. Please do not congregate for any reason.
- Please leave your mask on until you exit the Church.

## **OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU**

St. John Fisher Parish has your safety in mind. The guidelines above are designed to minimize the risk of spreading illness. We will follow the recommended guidelines for sanitation of the building as we resume public Masses. Thank you for your commitment, patience, cooperation, and understanding!