



## **Parish Post-Pandemic Plan**

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**Announcement of changes/plans**

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ —

We are rejoicing that we are now able to gather under one roof once more to worship the Lord together!

While the COVID virus numbers are declining and some restrictions have been lifted, there are still some steps we can take to keep each other safe and healthy. As we join our parish family at Mass, you'll notice some things that look a little different than they used to be.

- (Insert safe practice items) Example: When you enter the church, the holy water stoups will be empty in order to avoid contagion. Although there is no water, please take a moment to prayerfully make the sign of the cross and remember the baptismal promises that made you part of the family of Christ.
- (Insert safe practice items) Example: There are markers on the pews to designate safe spacing between groups of unrelated people. If you are not members of the same household, please observe the social distancing markers.
- (Insert safe practice items) Example: We are encouraging you to continue the practice of wearing masks while gathered indoors. Please wear your mask unless you are receiving Communion.
- (Insert safe practice items) Example: There will be no physical greeting of peace.

You'll also notice that we have reinstated many of the things that make our parish a special community.

- (Insert reinstated items) Example: Coffee and donuts are back! Please join us after Mass this Sunday
- (Insert reinstated items) Example: K of C pancake breakfasts will resume soon.
- (Insert reinstated items) Example: In-person meetings will resume for committees and organizations within the parish.

We eagerly anticipate seeing you at Mass and lifting our voices as one to praise and thank God, and we look forward to welcoming you back to full participation in our parish!

***“I would go with the throng and lead them in procession to the house of God with glad shouts and songs of praise” Ps 42:5***