

COMMON DIRECTIVES TO BE OBSERVED BY ALL SJV PARISHIONERS

Due to on-going pandemic we are going to observe the following directives set by the state and the diocese until further notice. Please be patient as we work our way to re-opening our church in phases. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and understanding.

- The dispensation from Sunday/Holy Day Mass obligation **still remains in effect** until further notice.
- Beginning June 14th, Sunday Masses will be celebrated on Sunday mornings at **8:00am and 11:00am** to give enough time in between for sanitization. Saturday evening Mass will be added in near future. Doors of the church will be opened at 7:30am and 10:30am respectively on Sunday.
- **Each Sunday Mass has limited capacity of 125 people.** Please understand that once we reach the maximum number of people, you will be directed to cafeteria where the Mass will be projected on a screen. And if that fills you may eventually have to be turned away. Communion will be distributed by two Eucharistic Ministers in cafeteria.
- Once you enter the church one of our ushers will assign your seat beginning from the front. Please do not switch seats once you are seated.
- Masks must be worn at ALL TIMES except when receiving Communion.
- Hymnals will not be available.
- **PLEASE FOLLOW DIRECTIONS OF THE USHERS.** We truly need your cooperation to do this safely.
- Crying room and the choir loft **will not be** used until further notice and will be locked.
- The bathrooms will not be accessible.
- Everyone needs to be 6 feet apart from each other whether you are seated in pew or standing in line to receive communion **UNLESS** you live together in same household. Families will be seated together in an assigned pew.
- Please do not use the kneelers. Please stay standing or seated instead.
- Communion will be given at the **END of Mass** so that parishioners can exit the church immediately after receiving. The two far side aisles will be used with 2 Communion stations in front and 2 Communion stations at the back. After receiving Communion please use the center aisle to exit the church. **PLEASE DO NOT GO BACK TO YOUR PEW after receiving Communion.** The church will be closed immediately for sanitization.
- Each pew will be directed by ushers to receive Communion, with 6 feet apart markings on the carpet. Please do not get up to receive Communion until you are directed to do so.
- **Communion will not be received on the tongue, only in the hands. (No gloves)** The Precious Blood will not be offered.
- Votive candles **will not be** available before or after Mass.
- Collection baskets will be placed in the gathering area for you to drop envelopes.
- One weekday Mass will be celebrated from Monday to Saturday morning at **8:00am** beginning June 15th.
- Parish social gatherings and group devotional observances are **suspended** until further notice.
- Absolutely **NO** public gatherings or greetings before or after Masses, at church entrance/exits or on parish property are permitted.