



# ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Guidelines to attend our Church for Mass

It is very important to note that the Cardinal has directed all the faithful that the Sunday obligation to attend Mass (including Vigil or any other Holy Days) continues to be suspended. **In other words, no one is required to attend Mass during this time of pandemic, though you are welcome to attend.** If you have any symptoms, are feeling sick at all, sneezing or coughing; have been exposed to COVID 19 or have recently traveled out of state – stay home as act of charity to others. It is still recommended that people, especially those who are 65 & older or are vulnerable, should remain at home & participate by livestream.

**Weekend Masses:** · Saturday Vigil: 5 pm\* · Sunday: 8 am, 10 am 12 Noon

\*5 pm Vigil Mass will continue to be recorded & posted on parish website: [www.stmaximilian.org](http://www.stmaximilian.org)

· Subscribe to - St. Maximilian Kolbe YouTube Channel

**8:30 am Daily Mass (Monday-Saturday):** in the church

**Confession in the church:** Saturday 3:30 pm-4:30 pm

**Exposition / Adoration** has resumed but in order to limit numbers, the code must be used to enter the chapel.

### IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS:

Our ability to stay open & serve the parish is dependent on our ability to follow guidelines so that we can all stay healthy and be confident about the safety of our clergy & parishioners.

**The following are St. Maximilian's specific guidelines to be observed by ALL who choose to attend Mass here.**

· Personal masks are MANDATORY to attend Mass.

· Masks are be worn over BOTH the nose & mouth.

· 50 percent occupancy is mandated by the Cardinal.

- Enter & exit through main/front doors only.
- All other doors will be marked for EXIT ONLY.
- Maintain social distancing of 6 feet between each other.  
Hand Sanitizer will be at the entrance. We recommend bringing your own as well.
- A same household family or a couple may sit together in one pew.
- Every other pew is to be left empty.
- Occupy ONLY open pews clearly identified with labels ensuring 6 feet distance from those not in your household.
- Chairs have been spaced so that some rows are not skipped.
- Hymnals are not be used. Follow the Mass on the projection screens.
- Ushers will be available to help. Please follow their direction when given.
- Collection baskets are placed in at the entrances/exits of the church. *You may also use the online giving option, Faith Direct.*
- Along with proper seating, please observe an orderly dismissal. We ask that you not linger to socialize.
- Ushers will not distribute bulletins – you may pick one up as you exit the Church building after Mass.

· **The church will be sanitized between Masses.**

### Reception of Holy Communion:

- Ushers will direct flow for Holy Communion.
- Be attentive to the 6 foot spacing.
- Out of continuing concern for the health of others, the faithful are to receive Holy Communion on the hand.
- The clergy or Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will place the Body of Christ [host] in the hand & the faithful should then step to the side 6 feet, lift their mask and consume Holy Communion. Only after consuming, replace the mask to the proper position & return to your seat, always maintaining the 6 foot distance from others.

**Thank you for your support in implementing these guidelines.**

We continue to pray for all of our parish family & for all of those affected by COVID-19.