Reopening Team Volunteer Registration

In order to reopen the parish, we need volunteers to assist at every gathering to manage and maintain the guidelines and processes required by the Archdiocese of Chicago for ongoing operations during the pandemic. Volunteers will assist with three (3) areas of support: Set-up Team, Greeting Team and Disinfecting Team. **It is recommended that volunteers are not older than 65 and are without underlying medical conditions such as diabetes, lung disease or cancer. You may still choose to volunteer understanding the inherent risks of doing so.**

Set-up team (age 14+)

Volunteers will ensure that all supplies needed for each sacramental celebration/gathering are ready for use, entrances and exits are marked and propped physically open prior to attendees' arrival/departure, windows are opened, restrooms are stocked and managed, etc. They will ensure hand sanitizer is available and that pews are marked off according to social distancing guidelines.

Greeting team (age 18+)

Greeters will assist in managing the flow of congregants as they enter the church, participate in the liturgy/sacrament, and exit the church. Team members will combine some of the functions of an usher, such as directing participants to appropriate seating/waiting areas, but will include additional responsibilities, including, but not limited to, making sure attendees use hand sanitizer upon entering, are wearing a mask, and are reminded not to enter if ill. Given the circumstances, greeters will need to be tactful and firm paying careful attention to all people on-site. To support parish greeter teams, rudimentary training tips on handling difficult situations will be provided.

Disinfecting team (age 14+)

These volunteers will help maintain and sanitize essential and trafficked areas of the church before and after the church has been used. Masks and gloves will be provided, if necessary, in addition to approved cleaning/disinfecting supplies. To support the cleaning team, guidance on proper cleaning procedures will be provided.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Age Group: _____14-18 _____18-65 _____65+

Team Preference: _____Set-up _____Greeting _____Disinfecting

I understand the parish is attempting to take appropriate precautions consistent with the advice of the public health authorities and the policies of the Archdiocese of Chicago. I am assuming the risk of contracting COVID-19 anytime I enter a public space since such precautions do not eliminate the risk of infection.

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Signature

I, _____, give permission for my child _____
(Parent Name) (Student Name)
to volunteer at St. Mary of Vernon as a Reopening Volunteer subject to the above.