

PHASE – 2 RE-OPENING

GUIDELINES AND LIMITATIONS – in accordance with the Diocese of Las Vegas and those issued by the Governor of Nevada.

Bishop George Leo Thomas has continued the dispensation from the Obligation to attend Sunday Mass to remain in effect until further notice.

We continue to encourage those with vulnerable health conditions, the elderly or those who are uncomfortable to continue to participate via live streaming. We will continue our live streaming of the 10am mass.

Re-opening for St. James the Apostle will begin, on Sunday, June 7, 2020. We are limited to 50 participants per mass, which includes Priest, staff, and volunteers.

To accomplish this, we are adding a third mass. The mass schedule is 8am, 10am and 12pm. Parishioners must contact the office, via phone or email to reserve a seat for the mass by providing your name, contact information, which mass you would like to attend, and how many people will be attending with them. Parishioners must make a reservation each week. There will be NO standing reservations. If a parishioner's mass choice is full, they will be given the option to attend one of the other masses if there is space available. Once a mass reaches full capacity, it is closed for that Sunday. A sign will be posted outside the main door indicating: *The Church has reached full capacity in accordance with Government guidelines and Mass has commenced*

Upon Entering:

Everyone will need to sanitize their hands prior to entering the sanctuary. Temperature screening may be done at that time.

We will use only the main entrance. The north door (facing Mario's) will remain locked. Parishioners may not enter through that door, exit only. Parishioners will be checked at our main entrance to ensure that those who did reserve a seat, have their seat. **YOU MUST ARRIVE ON TIME** The doors to the sanctuary will remain open during mass but the entrance door will be closed when mass commences. **Once Mass begins, there will not be any late entries and a sign will be placed on the door advising the late comers. We asked you to remain seated during the duration of the Mass.**

Seating: Seating will be available based on social distancing

The entry door will open 15 minutes prior to the start of mass. If you arrive earlier than the 15 minutes, you are encouraged to wait in your vehicles until the doors open.

All attendees over the age of 10 are to wear a mask. Parents with children under the age of 10 are to use their discretion regarding the use of masks for their minor children under 10.

We encourage you to take care of your bathroom needs before coming to Mass. However, if it is an emergency please know that the restrooms will be limited to two people at a time, to continue social distancing

Mass:

There WILL NOT be a processional or recessional.

The priest and deacons will enter from and exit to the Sacristy

Parishioners will remain standing **and Communion will be brought to you. Your face covering must remain in place until after you say Amen.**

Parishioners are to receive Communion in the hands **only** during this health emergency

Offertory collection baskets will be placed near the entrance doors

There will be no exchange of the Sign of Peace

Exiting:

After the final blessing, parishioners will be asked to be seated and to follow the instructions of the Welcomers, who will dismiss parishioners by rows

Parishioners are encouraged to go directly to their vehicles, this will assist in allowing time to sanitize the church prior to the next mass

Additional Protocols

There will be a table in the gathering space with hand sanitizer

No bulletins will be handed out

If you are uncomfortable in following these guidelines, we encourage you to continue to participate via live stream of our mass on facebook.

We thank you for your patience and understanding during these challenging times