

COMING BACK TO MASS

The bishop is continuing to dispense all Catholics from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. If you are part of a vulnerable population, please stay home. If you are sick, please stay home.

CAPACITY AND MASS SIGN-UP PROCEDURE

Through the end of May, Masses will be limited to 25 people total, including the priest and all ministers. Our bishop has asked us to take this approach, even though it's more conservative than the approved variances for Weston and Crook counties.

In June, the size of Mass will depend on the size of our worship space. More info on that later.

Corpus Christi: Mass will be held in the church with up to 25 people in attendance.

St. Anthony's and St. Paul's: due to the small size of the churches, mass will be held outdoors adjacent to the church. In May, we are still limited to 25 people, even though we're outdoors. **Bring your own seating**

All three parishes: due to the limited capacity, you MUST sign up ahead of time for Sunday mass.

You can sign up online by going to newcastlecorpuschristi.org, or by calling Fr. Brian at the office at 307-746-4219.

Online sign-up availability will be removed from the online registration system about a day before the Mass. Corpus Christi sign-up sheets will be printed and placed in the vestibule. Stop by the vestibule to check on availability. Call the office to check for availability for the missions if the sign up is removed.

Please reserve as many tickets as there are people attending (ie: 2 parents and 2 children, regardless of age, requires 4 reservations).

Those who show up to a full Mass without having signed up will be provided with information on how they can sign-up and asked to return home. If you show up and there's room, you'll be welcome to join.

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

Please wash your hands.

For those 10 years and older, **face coverings will be required** to be used during Mass. Please have on a mask or face covering before entering the church building, and wear it the entire time you are in the building. Even at the outdoor masses, please wear a mask while on church grounds because we will be gathering in a group.

If you have them available, we highly encourage you to bring your own hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes to Corpus Christi that can be used during your prayer time in the parish. This will help minimize the quick depletion of parish resources.

Maintain six feet of distancing while arriving and being seated.

MASS PROCEDURES

Masses will be conducted similar to what you've seen on the live stream with reduced liturgical ministers. There will be no altar servers, no readers, no extraordinary ministers, and no presentation of the gifts. The deacon or priest will proclaim the readings. These are temporary measures.

Some pews will be roped off to facilitate social distancing.

Households **must sit separately** and **must maintain six feet of distance from other households.**

There is to be no physical contact between households at the Sign of Peace or hand-holding during the Lord's Prayer.

Baskets will not be passed during the offertory. You will be able to place your weekly gift in a basket as you enter/exit the church.

Mass will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook at 8 am on Sundays, and broadcast on AM 1240 KASL at 7 am.

COMMUNION PROCEDURES

The Precious Blood will not be offered to the congregation.

The use of personal hand sanitizer before communion is strongly encouraged.

The priest will distribute communion by himself, so there will be only one communion line.

Social distancing must be maintained in the communion line. The floor at Corpus Christi will be marked to help maintain distancing.

Diocesan policy very strongly encourages reception of communion in the hand: Receive the host in your non-dominant hand, step to the side, take the host in your dominant hand, pull down your mask with your non-dominant hand, place the host in your mouth, and replace your mask.

MASS DEPARTURE PROCEDURES

Social distancing must be maintained as you leave.

You can drop your weekly offertory in the basket as you depart.

Clergy will not shake hands following Mass but will greet from a distance.

Please keep your masks on until you leave the church or the group gathered for mass.

Effective as of May 16, 2020. Subject to change.