



# Most Holy Trinity Church is “gently” re-open for public Mass!

*The archdiocese provided us with nine pages of directives to guide our re-opening during the COVID-19 pandemic. After much consideration and thoughtful planning, we are now well-prepared to welcome you back!*

## Here's what you **NEED** to know:

- COVID-19 positive persons, those symptomatic, and those living with them, must stay home.
- Persons over the age of 65 and those with pre-existing health conditions should stay home. **The obligation to attend Mass continues to be suspended as long as the pandemic continues.**
- **Weekend Masses** are Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 9 a.m.
- There is no need to “sign up” to attend Mass.
- Enter through the **main entrance only**. Other entrances will be locked.
- **Wear a mask** while in church (ages 2 and up), and **use hand sanitizer** when you enter and before receiving communion. Hand sanitizer is provided, however you may bring your own.
- **An usher will show you where to sit. Keep a distance of six feet between households.**
- **Effective 9/12/20, Holy Communion will be distributed DURING Mass in the NORMAL location.** *On the back of this sheet are instructions for receiving communion.*
- **Please do not light a vigil candle.** Instead, call the office at 507-744-2823 to request one to be lit.
- Keep your kneeler down when you leave your pew at the end of Mass. This way our cleaners will know which pews were used.

## Here's what we **WANT** you to know:

- Your health (and Father John's) is **primary**.
- The church will be disinfected after each Mass. Disinfecting wipes are available if you need one.
- The **restrooms will not be available**, so consider using the restroom before you come to church.
- The **collection “basket”** is now a wooden box, and is located in the back pew on the right.
- **Holy water fonts will be empty.** There will also be no missalettes, hymnals, children's books, etc.
- There will be **no singing**, since singing expels more particles. However there will be instrumental music ... and humming is okay!
- **Saturday Mass will continue to be recorded** and posted on our website by Sunday at 9 a.m.
- As much as you want to greet those that you have not seen for weeks, **please keep the six-foot social distance requirement inside AND outside.** Wave, give a two-fingered “peace” sign, or wiggle your eyebrows above your mask!
- This may all sound really tough and nit-picky, but they are necessary protocols that we must to follow in order to safely welcome our parish family back into church. Archbishop Hebda clarified that **it is out of charity and love for others that we follow these guidelines, even though we may not be fearful ourselves.**

*Thank you for your patience and understanding. We welcome you back to worship at Most Holy Trinity Church!*