



ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Dear St. Mark Parishioners,

A quick update on Mass and public gatherings at the parish. We are now required to **wear face masks** of some kind **all throughout Mass**, even when seated in the pews. The only time it may be removed is when receiving communion, and when reading at the ambo. All other previous guidelines still apply.

Meetings and gatherings at the parish are still not allowed, unless they are necessary. In that case, the “normal” protocol is required: social distancing, face masks, and disinfecting your area after use.

Keep updated on the details of the ongoing pandemic. Cases may have increased, perhaps as a result of returning to work, or attendance at protests and rallies, or because more testing has been done. But the death rate has actually gone down. Healthcare workers are doing an amazing job of treating any patients with the virus. Rather than fear and panic, we continue to proceed with caution and prudence, always trusting in our Lord!

Masses will be at the usual times: Monday-Friday at 6:30am and 8am; Saturday at 8am and 5pm (this Mass will be live-streamed and recorded); Sunday at 7am, 9am, and 11am. During the summer, church will be open Mon-Sat 6am-12noon for individual prayer.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is on Tuesday, 9am-9pm. **Confessions** are on Tuesday 8pm-9pm, Saturday 3:30pm-4:30pm, or by appointment. Call me for **Anointing of the Sick** for anyone seriously ill or dying.

God bless you. St. Mark, pray for us.

Fr. Hecktor