

Welcome Back!

Public Mass Guidelines for St. Leo the Great Church

We are planning to begin public Masses the weekend of May 30/31. Daily Masses will resume June 1st. All Mass times will remain the same. Please remember that at this time, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still dispensed by our Archbishop. If you do not feel comfortable attending a larger gathering, or if you are not feeling well, please stay home. We will continue to record our Mass and it will be available on facebook and our website. These public Masses are allowed with the understanding that we will be maintaining social distancing.

To maintain the safety of everyone who comes to Mass at our parish, we're implementing the following measures:

1. Due to Douglas County still having cases of the virus, we are asking everyone to wear a mask when you come to Mass. Please bring your own or if you do not have one, we will have disposables here for you. We will have hand sanitizer available. You can use it before Mass and after. You can bring your own, too.
2. Every other pew will be roped off so we can maintain the 6 feet social distance.
3. Families are welcome to sit together but must leave 6 feet between them and the closest family.
4. Please try and come to Church a little early so we can make sure all are seated with enough space between people.
5. We will not be using gift bearers or altar servers.
6. There will be no passing of the collection baskets. We will have large baskets on the tables in the social hall and commons for you to drop off your gift. There will be no children's collection during Mass.
7. There will be no sign of peace and no distribution of the Precious Blood.
8. All will be asked to receive communion on the hand. When I give communion on the tongue, I can feel the person breathe on my hand. This will cause droplets and could spread the virus to others.
9. We have removed all songbooks and missalettes. We will have no congregational singing. Not all Masses will have music.
10. Our Eucharistic Ministers, Priests and Deacons will wear a mask during communion.
11. During communion please leave 6 feet from the person in front of you. The center aisle will only have one line. We will begin with the left side first.
12. People attending Mass are asked not to stay and socialize in the Church building. No gathering in the social hall or commons. You are welcome to visit outside.
13. Church will be sanitized after every Mass.
14. Confessions will resume on Saturdays from 3:30-4:30, beginning May 30th. We will move confession to classroom E5 on the east end of the church. We will have signs directing you.