

OUR NEW PARISH LIFE NORMAL

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UPDATE



The SJN clergy & staff worked very hard to plan, prepare, clean and sanitize the church building. The team anticipated as much as possible the number of parishioners that would be returning and their expectations.

The team adapted the church space for social distancing plus added extra sanitizing and hygiene procedures.

The church building was also adapted for Mass attendance overflow.

SOCIAL DISTANCING FOR MASS PROCESS

(What we learned since we resumed public Mass and what you can expect when you attend)

1. Maintaining the 180 attendance limit in the Main Church:

Arrive to Mass at least 15-20 minutes early.

We can socially-distance seat 180 people in the Main Church sanctuary, chapel and some Gathering Space seating. When you arrive you will be welcomed and greeted by staff and volunteers. There will be a person counting Mass-goers as they enter.

2. Exceeding the First 180 Limit:

Once the main Church, Chapel and Gathering Space are at the 180 limit capacity, then our overflow parishioners will go to Baldwin Hall. SJN has made a big investment in upgrading the video & audio system. The Mass from the Main Church will be shown in Baldwin Hall via audio and video projection. There will be Eucharistic Ministers to administer the Body of Christ. The goal is to respect and follow the Social Distancing requirements while also accommodating all as much as possible.

3. Communion:

The priest is now assisted by a Eucharistic Minister at Communion.

The priest and the EM will offer the Body of Christ by hand. The priest and EM will thoroughly sanitize their hands before giving Communion.

There is no skin-to-skin contact between the priest/EM and the faithful.

The ushers will guide you on how to line up correctly. There are touchless hand sanitizers for you to use as you queue up for your turn. You must wear your mask as you queue for Communion.

Your patience and cooperation are greatly appreciated!

4. Cleaning & Sanitizing:

Aside from SJN making multiple hand-sanitizers available for your use through out the worship spaces; after every Mass, all of the public spaces used are sanitized and wiped down by the SJN staff team. After Mass, the restrooms are also checked, sanitized and put to order.

