



Updated Guidelines at St. Martha Church August 27, 2020

- The dispensation given to all the Faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been extended to **November 1, 2020**.
- All persons, as defined by the Health Department, as more vulnerable, such as 65+ years of age, those with underlying health conditions, fever or flu-like symptoms are encouraged to stay at home, **however attendance is at their discretion**.
- Our Vigil and/or Sunday Mass is available on our website (stmartha.org).
- The 6' social distancing rule must be observed. Capacity of (34) total seating stations in the Church and (72) total seating stations in the Parish Hall.
- A facemask **must** be worn by all during Mass, except by Lectors and Clerics when performing their duties.
- There are no missals, songbooks, missalettes, bulletins, or prayer cards in the pews.
- Holy Water at the doors is not used.
- No physical contact at the "Our Father" or at the optional 'Sign of Peace' (a simple bow with eye contact is sufficient).
- Holy Communion will be dropped in the cup of your hand only.
- If the Hall is fully occupied or you are unable to attend Holy Mass, Communion is distributed at the Reconciliation window in the courtyard on Saturdays 4-4:30 p.m. and 5:30-6 p.m.; and Sundays 7:30-8am, 9-9:30 a.m., 10:30-11 a.m., 12-12:30 p.m., and 5:30-6 p.m.
- Daily Masses, Monday - Friday (7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12 p.m., and 5:30 p.m.) and Saturday Masses (7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.) are celebrated in the Church.
- The Saturday Vigil Masses (4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.) and Sunday Masses (7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 p.m. [*in Vietnamese*], and 5:30 p.m.) are **only** celebrated in the Parish Hall, because of its greater capacity.
- Individual Confessions are at the Reconciliation window in the courtyard Sunday - Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.; and Saturday 9 - 10 a.m. and 3 - 4 p.m.
- Only baskets with long handles will be used for collections, but the Mass will continue because there is no procession with gifts.
- Marriages, Baptisms, and Funerals have resumed observing the above guidelines.
- The Adoration Chapel is open Tuesday – Thursday from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Must call the Parish office to reserve a time slot.
- All organized Parish activities are suspended except for the Sacred Liturgies.

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