



## Updated Guidelines for Masses at St. Martha Church November 20, 2020

- The dispensation given to all the Faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been **extended into the New Year, conclusion to be determined at a future date.**
- All persons, as defined by the Health Department, as more vulnerable, such as 65+ years of age or those with underlying health conditions are encouraged to stay home, **however attendance is at their discretion.**
- Those with fever or flu-like symptoms must stay at home,
- Our Vigil and/or Sunday Mass is available on our website ([www.stmartha.org](http://www.stmartha.org)).
- The social distancing rule of 6' 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, or prayer cards in the pews.
- Bulletins are distributed by an usher at the exit door.
- 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 is 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 Confessional window in the courtyard on Saturdays, from 4 - 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 - 6 p.m.; on Sundays, from 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. (Vietnamese) and 5:30 p.m. are celebrated in the Parish Hall
- Overflow Masses for Saturday 4 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m. (Family Mass), 10:30 a.m., and 12 p.m. (English) are celebrated in the Church.
- Individual Confessions are at the Confessional window in the courtyard, Sunday - Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.; Saturday 9 - 10 a.m. and 3 - 4 p.m.
- Only baskets with long handles is 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. A reservation must be made by calling the Parish Office.
- All organized Parish activities are suspended except for the Sacred Liturgies.

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