

Welcome Back to The Good Shepherd Church!

We are excited to be able to open our doors to our Parish Community.

Please read the following before registering for Mass and your return to the church.

SELF-ASSESSMENT

All those attending Mass do so at their own risk. It is important for individuals and families to take responsibility for protecting themselves and others. **Please note that Archbishop Prendergast has extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for those who are unable to attend at this time.

The following must stay home for the sake of the wider community:

- ❖ People with COVID-19 or who live with someone with COVID-19.
- ❖ People who have recently been exposed to someone with COVID-19.
- ❖ The sick, including those with even the slightest flu-like symptoms or anyone who feels sick with a cold and has difficulty breathing.
- ❖ Those who have recently travelled outside of Canada within the last 14 days.

The following are encouraged to stay home for the sake of the wider community:

- ❖ People who live with someone with upper respiratory or flu-like symptoms.
- ❖ People, especially the elderly, with underlying or compromised medical conditions.
- ❖ Family members who live with elderly people or those who are at risk.
- ❖ Those who regularly visit senior residences.

UPON ARRIVAL AT THE CHURCH:

- ❖ Per Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall Return to Church – WorshipSafe Guidelines, 10 June 2020, (link on our parish website, document #2), all those attending Mass should take their temperature at home prior to coming to church. If your temperature at home is at or above 37.8°C/100°F oral, or 37.5°C/99.5°F forehead, you should remain home. If you have not taken your temperature at home, you will be asked to allow a volunteer to take your temperature (non-contact, forehead or arm); if your temperature is at or above 37.5°C/99.5°F forehead, you will be asked to please seek medical attention before coming to church. If you decline to have your temperature taken, you will be asked to not attend Mass at this time.
- ❖ You must have preregistered for Mass via the online process or by telephoning or emailing the parish office; and
- ❖ You must have completed the self-assessment above.

UPON ENTERING THE CHURCH YOU ARE ASKED TO:

- ❖ follow The Good Shepherd Parish Policy of 07 July 2020 to wear a mask when inside the church;
- ❖ use hand sanitizer (volunteers will guide you to stations);
- ❖ not touch your face;
- ❖ sit in designated areas in the church (family members from the same household may sit together – follow the guidance of the ushers);
- ❖ maintain the 2m physical distancing, from others not from your household, at all times; and
- ❖ follow the instructions provided by your Priest regarding the method to receive the Eucharist.

OTHER NOTES:

- ❖ No gloves are to be worn when receiving the Holy Eucharist.
- ❖ Washrooms will be available for emergency use only.
- ❖ Please do not linger after Mass to allow for cleaning of the church spaces.
- ❖ Collection baskets are placed at the Baptismal Font, to receive your offering.

Your cooperation will allow us to celebrate safely.

Our sincere appreciation to everyone in advance.