



Annunciation Parish

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Dear Brothers and Sisters of Annunciation Parish,

This is to announce that we will be **resuming public Mass at Annunciation Parish this Sunday, August 2nd, at 10:00 a.m.** I will review below matters of safety for your attendance at Mass, beginning this coming Sunday and for the foreseeable future. Please note that the Bishops' Dispensation from the Obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still in effect, until further notice.

The number of positive COVID-19 cases in Ohio continues to rise and the number of cases in Hamilton County is still at an elevated level. However, the rate of transmission of the coronavirus has dropped considerably here in Hamilton County over the last two weeks. This suggests two considerations:

1. There is still an active pandemic; this is serious. We are not "out of the woods" with this, but the reduction on the rate of transmission here in Hamilton County suggests that finally a critical number of people are taking seriously their individual responsibility to help control the spread. We must recognize this responsibility, and continue to promote it by our own safe worship practices.
2. Our Safe Worship practices established for Annunciation Parish in no way eliminate all risks of contact and transmission; they reduce the risk, assuming we all follow some very basic guidelines. The reduced risk allows for us to resume public Mass, and for you to make the right decision for you and your families.

Matters of safety include:

1. Following the Parish Safe Worship Protocol (refer to the attached)
2. **Following of directions provided by the Priest and Ushers** arriving, during, and exiting Mass
3. **Wearing Masks that cover both nose and mouth at all time**, except for the actual taking of Holy Communion
4. Maintaining Social Distance of at least 6 Feet from all non-family/household individuals
5. Hand Sanitizing before leaving home, and upon entering Church
6. Entering Church at the Front/Clifton Avenue Doors
7. Arriving, as reasonably as possible, between 9:45 and 9:55 a.m., to assure smooth entrance and seating

Please note that Mass will be recorded, and subsequently posted online for those unable to attend. Please also note that this is the **First Sunday of the Month**: Members of our Parish Conference of the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** will be taking donations for their monthly collection as you exit Church. This might also be a good opportunity to **catch up on Sunday Contributions, if so needed.**

Thank you for your patience, your understanding, and your cooperation. Together, we have been exemplary servants of the common good, living our Eucharistic identity. May we continue our same good works, and may we know God's blessings through them, as we return to public celebration of Mass.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Grogan

SAFE WORSHIP AT ANNUNCIATION

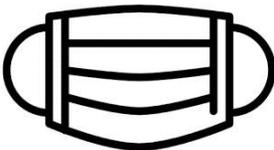
Tips to reduce the risk of exposure and transmission of COVID-19



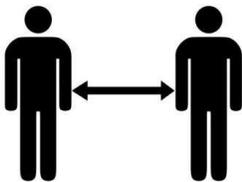
- **All Catholics are dispensed from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass until further notice**
- Stay home if you are sick, or care for, or live with, someone who is ill
- Stay home if you are at higher risk of infection: over 65, diabetes, heart disease, weak immune system/receiving immunotherapy (please check with your doctor), etc.
- Watch Mass from Annunciation, www.annunciationbvmparish.org



- Wash hands with soap and water at least 20 seconds, and wash often throughout the day
- Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available; apply sanitizer all over hands until dry, 20 seconds
- **Use hand sanitizer upon entering Church & before Communion**



- **A cloth face covering that covers both nose and mouth is required to attend Mass**
- Clean hands immediately before putting on your mask, after touching or adjusting it, and after removing it
- Reusable coverings should be washed after every use
- Cloth face coverings are encouraged for children over the age of 2
- Cloth face coverings should not be used by anyone with trouble breathing



- Stay at least 6 feet from people not in your immediate family or not living in your household
- No physical contact during the Lord's Prayer or the Sign of Peace
- Communion will only be ministered in the hand
- **Please follow all instructions from Parish Ushers**

For Additional Helpful Resources:

www.cincinnatichildrens.org/patients/coronavirus-information/videos-for-kids-parents
www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html