

It is with great joy that we announce the Re-Opening of St. Francis of Assisi Parish for Mass beginning on Saturday, July 4th at 5:00 PM.

Masses will be at our regularly scheduled times:

Saturday at 5:00 PM, Sunday at 8:00 and 10:00 AM, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 9:00 AM.

Before you come to Mass

Before you come to Mass ask yourself these Screening Questions

In the last 14 days, have you:

1. Traveled internationally?
2. Been exposed to a person with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 without the correct PPE?
3. Had a temperature at least 100.0°F?
4. Had new or increased shortness of breath or difficulty breathing?
5. Had a new cough?
6. Had at least two of the following symptoms together:
 - a. Chills
 - b. Muscle pain
 - c. Headache
 - d. Sore throat
 - e. New loss of taste or smell
7. Take your temperature before you leave for Mass!
8. Use the restroom before you leave your home to avoid unnecessary trips to the restroom during Mass. If you must use the restroom, Children will need to be accompanied by an adult to the restroom to ensure the 6' social distancing is enforced.

Requirements to attend Mass:

1. **Be symptom free.** Take your temperature before you leave for Mass. If it is 100.0°F you must stay home.
2. **Wear Mask** (universal face covering).
3. **You must make a reservation.** There will be a limited to 100 people per Mass. You will only be able to sign up to attend a weekend Mass every other week. You will need to enter contact information in case we need to contact you because someone tests positive for the Coronavirus that attended the same Mass as you.
To make a reservation: Go to the Parish Website, stfoa.org, click on the link to make a reservation and follow the instructions. If you do not have computer access call Elizabeth Hanks 206-658-3607 and she will make a reservation for you.
4. **Check in with a Hospitality Minister** that your name is on the list of Mass attendees as you enter the church. These check in sheets will be destroyed 2 weeks following the Mass.
5. **Remain 6 feet apart at all times.** Physical distancing must be observed from the time people drive onto our campus to the time they get into their cars when Mass is over. You will be directed by Hospitality Ministers as you enter the church to a pew which keeps you a safe distance from others. **You will not be able to sit in your "Usual Spot."** There are dots on the floor throughout the church marking every 6 feet, as well as, markings on the pews.
6. **Use hand sanitizer** as you enter and exit the church.

7. You will be allowed to enter the church beginning 20 minutes before Mass begins. Allow time for assisted seating by our Hospitality Ministers.

Mass will be different in these ways:

1. Fr. Dick will enter from the Sacristy and must remain 12 feet from the ministers while he is not wearing a mask.
2. Mass will be shorter in duration
3. No singing. Denise will play the piano but we will not have congregational singing.
4. Prayers that are normally sung will be said.
5. The invitation to exchange the Sign of Peace will be omitted.
6. No distribution of the Precious Blood. Communion will be received by the community following Mass and only in the hand.
7. No collection during the Mass. Collection container will be placed at the entrance of the church for you to place your offering.
8. No presentation of the gifts by the faithful.
9. Worship aids will be provided that must be used only once and thrown away following the Mass.
10. Mass will be livestreamed for those that cannot attend.

Receiving Communion:

1. Following Mass, the Body of Christ will be distributed by Fr. Dick and a Eucharistic Minister. Fr. Dick will remove his chasuble, wash his hands and put on a mask.
2. Remove your mask and gloves before receiving Eucharist.
3. You need to receive the Body of Christ in your hands. Both hands extended toward the priest or EM and your hands must be kept motionless and flat so that the Host can be placed in your hand without touching.
4. If you are touched by the minister, both of you will need to sanitize your hands before moving on to the next communicant.
5. You will be directed by a Hospitality Minister when to come forward. Everyone (except immediate family) must stay 6' apart at all times. You will come up the side aisles, receive Communion, and then leave the church down the center aisle.
6. You may leave after receiving Eucharist or return to your pew for a short time of prayer.

Following Communion

1. Stay 6' apart as you leave the pews all the way to your cars.
2. Throw your worship aid into the recycling bin or take it home with you.
3. Place your donation into the collection container by the entrance of the church.
4. The church will be sanitized by volunteers following Mass.
5. You will not be able to pray before the statues of Mary and St. Francis in the alcoves. It is not possible to keep the 6' distance with someone stopped there for prayer.

After you have attended Mass

If you test positive to the Coronavirus please contact John Eisen, the COVID-19 Supervisor, in the Parish Office right away. Call the Parish Office (206) 242-4575, ext. 10

and leave a voice message, including your name and a contact phone number, if no one answers. Or email John Eisen at jeisen@stfoa-parish.org. We will need to contact all parishioners that attended that Mass. This is why contact information is very important.