

Mass Procedures and Notes During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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We continue to limit the number of people who may attend Mass in order to practice social distancing. To aid in this pre-registration and check-in ARE required to attend.

Important things to note:

- We are following social distancing guidelines at the direction of our Bishop, meaning seating at any Mass must be limited.
- As instructed by Bishop Johnston and diocesan leadership, along with the city of KCMO, **masks are required at all times inside church by each person over the age of 2**, even while seated in the pews. For those with medical issues, a face guard is acceptable in place of a mask.
- All four Diocesan bishops in Missouri have dispensed the faithful from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday. This applies to everyone.
- Those who are symptomatic or who have been exposed to another with the virus within 14 days are not permitted to enter the church, in accordance with national, state, and local health directives. All attendees are asked to check their temperature at home before coming to church.
- Those who are at risk because of an underlying health issue or who are 60 or older are strongly encouraged, for their own health, to avoid the risk of attending public celebrations of the Mass.
- We are celebrating 7am Daily Mass on Tuesdays and Fridays. All Masses are held in church and you do NOT need to register to attend. You are obliged to wear a mask, as noted above.
- Our livestream Mass is at 4:30pm Saturday. Livestreamed Masses are recorded and will be available for viewing on our YouTube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/c/StElizabethCatholicChurchandSchool>

We will continue to livestream Mass for as long as needed so that those not attending in person may maintain a spiritual connection with St. Elizabeth. You are invited to make a Spiritual Communion during our livestream Mass: <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/act-of-spiritual-communion-339>

For the latest COVID-19 updates from the KCSJ Diocese: <https://kcsjatholic.org/coronavirus-updates/>

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing patience, grace, and flexibility as we continue to adapt and adjust to the fluid nature of gathering for Mass in the midst of the COVID-19 public health emergency. Fr. Greg and the parish staff are working hard to keep this experience healthy and holy for all who choose to attend.