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Reopening of Church, Phase 3

Our Lady of Lourdes Church
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Section 1. MASS SCHEDULE. ALL MASSES IN MAIN CHURCH.

[1.1] Saturday Evening Mass (5:30 pm) / Sunday Morning (7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am)

Daily Mass (8:30 am) Monday - Friday.

There is 8:30 am Mass, Saturday “during October, November, December.”



PARKING LOT “NEWS”

Sat. October 17, parking lot re-paving starts, a major improvement for Lourdes! We ask your patience. If you are parking for Saturday 5:30 pm Mass or Sunday Morning Mass, consider parking at the Board of Education at "Eagle Rock School" on Valley Way or Quigley Municipal Lot. Some parking spaces are available as the lot is being done in phases, during Oct. 17 → Nov. 6. Call 973.325.0110 to Father Jim Ferry with any questions.

Please see bring your "registration" - explained below.

[1.2] ENTRANCE DOORS: Use main doors or handicap ramp near Eagle Rock Avenue.

[1.3] Confessions (4:15 - 5 pm) will be in cry room as new location. Or call anytime by appointment.

Section 2. MAXIMUM ATTENDANCE & REGISTERING

[2.1] For Saturday / Sunday Mass, you must "register" so that we can comply with 100-person limit. "First come, first served".

Please use this LINK / app to register by the "Thursday" before the upcoming weekend.

<https://reopen.church/r/OhHv8XcV>

If the maximum registration has been reached, we ask that you consider coming to another Mass or coming to Daily Mass at 8:30 am Monday - Thursday. There is no 8:30 am Mass on Friday or Saturday.

After registering, keep your email confirmation either printed (paper) or electronic (phone) to show an usher.

[2.2] "Registration" not required at 8:30 am Daily Mass

[2.3] To register by PHONE, please call rectory only at 973-325-0110 __Monday or __Tuesday or __Thursday, from 10 am to 1pm.

To leave a message, press ZERO for voice mail; leave your name and phone number with your request. *Please do not email your request.*

A list of those with reservations will be given to the ushers, whether the reservation was made "online" (as above) or over the phone.

[2.4] Please forward this message to others so that they will learn about the link to "register".

SECTION 3. GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDANCE

[3.1] If you are in a vulnerable situation due to age or infirmity, please participate in prayer from home.

[3.2] Mass "online" available weekly: LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG, posted on Saturday 5:00 pm and available to watch anytime. All Masses are archived in Lourdes YouTube page, available on website.

[3.3] All parishioners will be required to wear a mask, practice social distancing (6 feet) and bring their own hand sanitizer.

[3.4] You are encouraged to check your temperature at home before coming to church. If you have a temperature or are not feeling well, please stay home.

[3.5] Holy Communion will be distributed only by the priest, not by extraordinary eucharistic ministers, for the foreseeable future. The Precious Blood from the chalice will not be distributed. The gifts of bread and wine will not be carried forward in procession during Mass.

[3.6] Distribution of Communion will only be in your hand for the foreseeable future. Please wear your mask in the Communion line. The videos below are very helpful.

[3.7] There will be separate entrances and exits. Seating and movement in the church will be regulated.

[3.8] ENTRANCE - Use main doors and handicap ramp near Eagle Rock Avenue. Entering here allows for better social distancing.

Once you are inside the church, all doors will be available for exit.

[3.9] EXIT - At the end of Mass, you will be asked to remain in your seat and leave "row by row" in the same manner as going to Communion.

[3.10] There will be no gathering for conversation inside church. Conversation is permitted outside with use of masks and with proper distancing (6 feet)

[3.11] REST ROOMS WILL BE LOCKED AND UNAVAILABLE.

[3.12] While it is open for the time of confession, the FAMILY CRY ROOM WILL BE LOCKED AND UNAVAILABLE during Mass.

[3.13] ZERO HYMNAL ACCESS - there will be no hymnals in the pews. Songs/readings are available for you to print from the bulletin at home, before you come to church via LOURDESWESTORANGE.ORG. You may also view on your phone

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>

[3.14] The Gift Shop of the Peace and Good Corner will be closed and open only by appointment Please call the rectory 973.325.0110.

Further guidance will be provided at church.

CARDINAL TOBIN MESSAGE ABOUT RE-OPENING (English language)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XECwJoHPuuk>

CARDINAL TOBIN MESSAGE ABOUT RE-OPENING (Spanish language)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sPVmrJgj-SM>

Thank you for your patience and prayers at this time.

Please contact me with any questions.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for Us!

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