



Phase Five – Restore Illinois/Immaculate Conception Parish Reopening Plan:
Updated CDC/Archdiocesan Guidelines

As we continue in Phase Five of the Restore Illinois Reopening Plan, please review the following updated CDC/Archdiocesan Guidelines which went into effect as of Friday, June 11th @ IC:

- **All capacity restrictions have been lifted.** All are welcome to join us for our celebration of the Eucharist: Monday through Friday @ 8:30 A.M.; Saturdays @ 5:00 P.M.; Sundays @ 8:30 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. Opportunities for Confessions are offered every other Sunday between our two morning Masses (approximately from 9:30 A.M. until 10:15 A.M.)
- **Registration is no longer required for our Masses.** Our dedicated greeters will still be stationed at our main entrance to welcome you as you arrive for our Weekend Masses and to provide any assistance as needed (particularly for those rejoining us for in-person worship for the first time.) Ensuring that *everyone* who joins us for Mass feels cared for and comfortable worshipping with us remains our top priority (whether you are a parishioner @ IC or a guest joining us for the first time; whether you are vaccinated, or unvaccinated.)
- **Hand sanitizer will continue to be available at the entrance of our Church.**
- **Social distancing is not required for vaccinated persons.**
- **Social distancing is recommended by public health authorities, when possible, for unvaccinated persons** (if conditions allow up to 6 feet of separation.)
- To help facilitate the varying needs and comfort levels of those who worship with us, one section of our Church will be available for those who prefer to maintain social distancing. If this is your preference, please ask a member of our reopening/reintegration team to direct you to this designated area.
- **Masks are not required for vaccinated persons** (but if you feel more comfortable continuing to wear your mask, please feel free to do so.)
- **Masks are recommended by public health authorities for unvaccinated persons indoors, particularly in crowded venues.**
- **Congregational singing may resume.** (Our *Breaking Bread* hymnals returned to our pews a few weeks ago, so we encourage you to use them to actively participate in our Mass and “*make a joyful noise unto the Lord!*”)
- **Our Offertory collection will continue as it has for the past year.** If you are joining us for the first time, offertory envelopes & donations may be deposited into 2 secure wooden collection boxes (either as you enter our Church, or as you depart.) One is in the back of our Church (beneath our Choir Loft) as you approach our main center aisle, while the other is located towards the front of our Church, near our St. Joseph altar. Electronic giving via Give Central is also encouraged. Offertory envelopes may also be mailed in or dropped off at our Parish Office. With grateful hearts, we thank you for generously supporting the mission of our parish!
- For those who remain a bit apprehensive about attending our larger Weekend liturgies, we invite you to consider joining us for our Weekday morning Mass @ 8:30 A.M. instead.
- **Livestreaming of our Weekday and Weekend Masses will continue** (for those unable to join us for in-person worship.)

We thank you for your patience and continued cooperation!