

Welcome Back to St. Gerard Majella Parish

We are excited to be able to open our doors to our Parish Community.

The dispensation of the faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place until decreed otherwise by the Bishop.

All those attending Mass do so at their own risk. It is important for individuals and families to take responsibility for protecting themselves and others.

Please read the following self-assessment questionnaire before returning to the church. If you answer 'yes' to any of these questions, you must stay home for the sake of the wider community.

Do you have any of the following symptoms?

- Fever; Cough; Chills; Painful swallowing; Stuffy nose; Headache; Muscle or joint ache
- Feeling unwell, fatigue or severe exhaustion; Nausea, vomiting,
- diarrhea or unexplained loss of appetite;
- Loss of sense of smell or taste; Conjunctivitis (pink eye)

Are you or any member of your household experiencing any of the following?

- Severe difficulty breathing (e.g., struggling for each breath, speaking in single words)
- Severe chest pain; Feeling confused
- Shortness of breath at rest; Inability to lie down because of difficulty breathing
- Chronic health conditions

Have you travelled outside of Canada in the last fourteen days?

Upon entering the church, you will be asked:

- To register your names with one of the designated volunteers;
- To wear a mask or face covering always;
- If you have completed the self-assessment (see above);
- To sanitize your hands and to sit in designated areas in the church (family members from the same household may sit together);
- To maintain physical distancing (2 meters) at all times and to follow the instructions provided by your priest regarding the method to receive the Eucharist;
- Not to congregate in the foyer or in the parking lot outside.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with these guidelines which will allow us to celebrate safely.