



# St. Joseph Catholic Church

## Tips and Guidelines when attending Mass.

Catholics in the Diocese are still dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on the weekend. If you are elderly, high risk, OR ANYONE who has an underlying condition that makes them susceptible to COVID-19 you should NOT attend Mass in person but should continue to watch recorded or livestreamed Mass.

*Fr. Jim has decided to leave the same weekend Mass schedule, and also to have the masses be **FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE.***

*Please note that the masses will only be allowed to have 40 people in attendance. We are not yet at the point where we are permitted to fill our churches.*

*AT EVERY MASS, there will be strict social distancing guidelines. There will be NO SOCIAL GATHERINGS before or after Mass.*

*When you arrive at Mass, it will be a little different.*

- Please use hand sanitizer when you arrive at Mass
- CHOIR LOFT will be opened for only for 6 to 8 people.
- NO HOLY WATER
- NO Greeting or holding of hands
- Please bring your Mask.
- NO MISSALS will be available during this time.
- Please sit at PEWS that are marked OPEN. We ask that parishioners WILL use their safe social distancing, and see that you are seated from other parishioners at least 6 feet apart.

*Every Other Pew is Open. Please notice the SIGNS on the sides of the Pews if open or closed.*

- MEMBERS of one household DO NOT need to practice social distancing with each other.
- THERE will NOT be READERS, ALTAR SERVERS, GIFT BEARERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, & CANTORS scheduled during this time. (our Acolytes will do the readings.)
- COLLECTION -- parishioners are asked to leave their donation in the BOX provided by the DEVOTION area (votive candle stand) THERE will not be GIFTS brought up to the Altar.

*You may leave your donation when you leave the church. Thank you!!*

- COMMUNION will be under one FORM ONLY. *Parishioners are asked to receive in the HAND.* When coming up for COMMUNION please practice your social distancing, stay 6 ft apart from one another. If you receive on the tongue, you will be asked to come up after everyone has received on the hand.

**WHEN leaving the CHURCH, please see that you do not leave all at once.**

**Please practice social distancing when you exit the Church.**

- No social gatherings after Mass.

**We ask for your patience as we go through this challenging time.**

**We will make adjustments as needed as we go through this process.**

**We will still have MASSES ON LINE on our Facebook page:**

**St. Joseph Salida Parish Family**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday**  
Daily Mass - 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday**  
8:00 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.

Tuesday thru Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Masses will still be on line at our Facebook page Daily schedule and Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

