



THE CHURCH OF  
ST. GERARD MAJELLA

## Quick Guide to returning to Masses (Updated 5/26/2020)

As your Pastor, I know that some are eager to celebrate our faith by opening the church and others are desirous to wait. We all want to safely worship God, practice our faith, serve in ministries, and see one another again! For those who choose not to attend Mass in person, know that you are still dispensed by the Archbishop from your Sunday Mass obligation. Please continue to be attentive to your spiritual and physical health by watching Mass online, making a spiritual communion, and/or email for personal communion by appointment. Let us keep one another in prayer and find creative ways to connect, minister, and grow in faith. Now is an ideal time for all of us to examine our lives anew: to let go of what impedes us in our relationships with one another, to repent of what inhibits a deeper life in God, and review what habits of life that build up a life of virtue and those that do not. No matter our age, God is still determined to make of us the men and women He intended when we were brought into being. May His grace have its way.

### Sunday Masses begin on May 31, 2020 (Pentecost):

- 8:30am Mass Vietnamese only (Social Hall)
- 10:30am Mass English only (Main Church & Social Hall – 2 separate Live Masses)

For sanitation: Please use bathrooms prior to coming to the church campus

**NOTE:** 65+ and those with underlying health issues/immune-compromised, plus small children (we have no cry room available), are asked to not come to Mass but to participate via our online Mass

**Communion for online Mass viewers by appointment only:** Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (9-11am or 2-4pm): please email Father Joseph ([frjoseph@st-gerard.org](mailto:frjoseph@st-gerard.org)) or Father John ([frjohn@st-gerard.org](mailto:frjohn@st-gerard.org)).

**Please follow Usher's instructions: Masks are required**, temperatures will be taken, social distancing strictly followed, seating will be assigned by ushers (family units, couples, or individuals will be socially distanced). **Please be charitable and patient.**

**Church campus** will not be open to the public during the week (exceptions made for baptisms, etc.).

**Communications:** sign-up on our main website for updates; watch weekly video Masses and updates on our website; bulletins (for the foreseeable future) will be offered only in an electronic version

**Daily Mass** will be reinstated following weeks of sanitation/cleaning protocol reviews

**Adoration:** for the foreseeable future adoration will be held adoring from the north parking lot as has been done during the pandemic thus far.