Guidelines for Sunday Celebration of the Mass ST. HENRY CHURCH

St. Henry is now open for Sunday Masses at 5:30 PM Saturday and 8AM, 10AM and 12 Noon Sunday. All Masses, except for the 8 AM, will also be livestreamed.

Until we fully reopen, Confessions will continue to be heard on Saturdays, 10:30 – 11:00 AM. Both Fr. Raul and Fr. Alfie will be there. Daily Mass, Monday through Saturday, will be at 12 Noon ONLY and will also be livestreamed.

We are asking those who will attend to please:

1. Check your temperatures at home first to insure you do not have a fever. If you are feeling ill, please stay at home.

2. We understand that you have your favorite places in Church, but please occupy the front rows first. This will help avoid people walking all over to find available seats.

3. If you see that the Church is already full, you can stay in your cars or in the area and follow the Mass through our livestream on our Facebook page, *St. Henry RC Church.* Come Communion time, you can go inside to receive, or one of the priests or ministers will go out by the main door to give out Communion. Note, however, that no Communion will be given once Mass is over.

4. Wear a mask while in the Church.

5. Practice social distancing. Seats are marked by a blue tape. Only families who stay in the same house can be seated together.

6. Do not shake hands during the Sign of Peace.

7. For Communion, remain in your seats. The Priest or Minister will come to you to give you Communion. Communion will be received in hand only. The chalice with the Blood of Christ will not be ministered. Anyone who does not wish to receive Communion should place their arms across their chest to signify this.

8. We will need 4 Eucharistic Ministers to help with Communion. If you are comfortable coming up, please do so. Use the hand sanitizer, then distribute Communion with a mask on.

Important Note: The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, issued by Cardinal Tobin, still continues.

We are grateful that many of you consistently send in your weekly offerings. It greatly helps with our ongoing expenses. If you have not done so, please consider doing what you can to help. You may mail your contributions to or drop off at the parish office. You may also sign up for Parish Giving. Information on this is located on our parish website, <u>www.sthenryrc.org</u>, home page, top right.

For whatever inconveniences these guidelines may cause, we apologize in advance and ask for your patience and understanding. We are trying our best to accommodate everyone while keeping them safe.

Let us continue to pray for the Lord's guidance as we patiently and safely begin the process of returning to our beloved Church. May God continue to bless you all and keep you safe.