

Dear St. Anselm Family,

You have probably seen in the press that the Archdiocese issued new safety guidelines concerning Covid-19 to take effect on May 29th, 2021, at the same time as the State of Massachusetts also revises its guidelines. Church leaders have been requested to adapt the pace and degree to which they implement what the diocese is permitting according to local circumstances and comfort level of the community. Our revised protocols are different for inside and outside masses, outlined below:

For INDOOR MASS:

As you enter the front of the church...

- **if you are fully vaccinated and comfortable not wearing a mask and with no social distancing please sit in the left main section.**
- **If you are not fully vaccinated or prefer to continue to wear a mask and socially distance, please sit in EITHER the right main section (the choir side of the church), or the small side section near parking lot side door.**
- Note that greeters, lectors (except when reading), eucharistic ministers, and musicians (except while singing) will continue to wear masks during mass for everyone's safety.

For OUTDOOR MASS:

- **If sitting outside, masks are no longer required. However, we will continue to require social distancing out of respect for those who are medically vulnerable.**
- Note that greeters and Eucharistic ministers will continue to wear masks for everyone's safety. Also volunteers helping with set-up and take-down will wear masks because of the close proximity to one another carrying things in and out of the church, etc.

The OFFICE:

The diocese has made no change to church office restrictions for the moment, but has promised new guidance will be issued soon. Until then, the office will remain closed to visitors. As always, do not hesitate to phone or email for any reason.

We will see how this all goes and will adapt as experience and the changing level of public health suggests is prudent. Our utmost concern is that everyone may participate in worship in a way that is safe for them.

Christ's Peace,

Fr. Brent - Chaplain
Don Charsky - Business Manager
Caroline Llewelyn - Office Administrator
Gail Trainor - Pastoral Council Chairperson