

# Guidelines for safety of programs

- Encourage participants and volunteers to practice good hygiene. If possible have hand sanitizer available wherever faith formation/youth ministry sessions are being held, with younger children being assisted by catechists or other volunteers.
- All persons coming into Mother of God for any activity **must wear a mask**. This includes all teachers and students. If a student does not have a mask, then they will be sent home. If the student has a medical condition, then a doctor's note must be provided and at the very least we will still require them to wear a face shield
- Teachers and Leaders have a responsibility of ensuring the students wear their masks. If a teacher or leader has a medical reason for not wearing a mask we require they wear a face shield. However, when engaging in work that requires them to be in close proximity with students we ask that they wear a mask.
- The students will be required to social distance as much as possible. Please know that there are scenarios where this is impossible due to where they are learning and the activity that they are conducting.
- Remind both participants and volunteers to stay home if they are sick, or if they have underlying health issues that could place them at greater risk or have recently traveled to an affected area.
  - Any teacher or leader who takes a vacation to an area of high COVID infections we ask that they not attend the program for at least 7-10 days upon return. Please inform the Director of the program if you will be out of town.
  - Any teacher, leader, or student who does not feel well is asked to refrain from coming, even if one thinks it's merely allergies we ask that you stay home for the safety of all those around you.
- Ensure regular good cleaning and sanitizing of commonly used surfaces such as doorknobs, table/desk tops, handrails, etc.
  - We ask that after a program all teachers and leaders sanitize their classrooms or areas that were used.
- The serving/distribution of snacks/food will be suspended until further notice.
- For programs that have activities/games there will be no activity that requires passing of objects.
- All students will be required to answer screening questions before they enter. Their temperatures will also be taken.
- All parents must sign an Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Responsibility. The student cannot attend the program without this signature.
- Finally, we ask that all people pray for an end to this virus and healing for all those who have been infected by it.
- Please speak to the Priest for any concerns.