ST. BONAVENTURE PUBLIC MASSES BEGIN JUNE 14, 2020



Preface

As you may know, on May 22 Bishop Vann announced that limited public (in-person) Masses will resume the weekend of June 13-14 in the Diocese of Orange. Also, the Governor of California has restricted attendance at Mass to a maximum of 100 people.

The plan below is directly based on the points raised above.

Precautions

Parishioners who are at higher risk to the COVID virus are encouraged to remain at home and join us via one of our livestream Masses. Please remember that Bishop Vann extended a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation until such time as it is deemed safe to have large gatherings at Mass. We love you all. Please stay safe.

Outdoor Masses Start June 14 at 9:00 a.m.

1. **U**ntil the 100-person restriction is lifted, all parishioners are invited to gather for Mass in the parking lot between the church and the school. This section of the parking lot will be reserved for ***listening*** to the Mass. Outdoor speakers will be set up for this purpose. Many more people can fit in this area than just 100 in the church.
2. Those who physically attend any Mass are:
   a. Encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on, and bring sun umbrellas, sun protection, etc., as appropriate for the weather.
   b. Required to social distance six feet between each family group, and
   c. Requested to wear face masks. We will have a limited supply of disposable masks in case you forget your mask. See an usher. If you are concerned that some parishioners may not be wearing a mask, you might want to attend Mass via livestream.
3. Parishioners will be able to receive Holy Communion at the end of Mass by entering the church through our front entrance. You are discouraged from showing up only to receive Holy Communion. More details will be given just prior to the start of Mass. Volunteers will be available to help coordinate. **(Volunteer sign up info on page 4.)**
4. Receiving Holy Communion in your hand is encouraged. Receiving on the tongue is still permitted. More details will be provided prior to Mass.
5. Baskets will be available to receive your financial donations—Sunday envelopes, cash donations, etc.
6. At the end of Mass, please ensure you have collected all your personal belongings.

Masses Dates and Times

1. Public (in-person) Masses will resume at St. Bonaventure Church on Sunday, June 14 at 9:00 a.m.
   Other outdoor Masses on June 14 include: 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon, 1:30 p.m. *(Spanish)*, 5:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m. *(Vietnamese)*
   There will not be any other Masses on the weekend of June 13-14.
2. On June 15, public Masses will resume Monday-Friday at 8:30 a.m. and Saturday at 8:00 a.m.
3. On June 20, we will resume our normal Sunday Mass schedule: Saturday Vigil at 5:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m. *(Vietnamese)*
   Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon, 1:30 p.m. *(Spanish)*, 5:00 p.m.
4. We will continue to livestream three Masses per weekend, one in English, one in Spanish, one in Vietnamese. See our website for more information.

Summary

The plan above will allow a large number of parishioners to receive Holy Communion. It should also allow everyone to take a peek inside our beautiful new church. It also provides livestreaming for those who cannot physically attend Mass. Finally, it will allow parishioners to reconnect with each other—from six feet away.

We know this is not a perfect plan, but we will adjust it as needed. We all yearn for the day when all restrictions are removed and it is safe for all of us, as one congregation, to celebrate Mass together in our renovated church. You have all endured so much. God bless you all.

Please visit *www.stbonaventure.org* for the latest updates.
—Fr. Joe Knerr, Pastor

Bishop Vann Blesses Our Newly Renovated Church June 14, 9:00 a.m. Mass



This public Mass will also be livestreamed. He will start the Mass by blessing the entrance doors to the church and he will bless the baptismal font. He will then process into the nave of the church. The Bishop won't be distributing communion himself since he is over 65 years of age. Father Joe and the Eucharistic Ministers will distribute communion. The Bishop will return to the Cathedral immediately after Mass.