

August 11, 2021 corona@rcab.org

Good morning,

In order to assist you in communicating more fully with your parishioners, we are providing the Spanish, Portuguese, and French translations for the August 5 and August 8 COVID updates you should have received recently.

We are grateful to the Evangelization and Discipleship team for preparing these translations.

The translations also include the original English communications.

Thank you.

AUGUST 8, 2021 COVID: GUIDANCE UPDATE:

In light of concerns regarding the spread of the Delta variant and increasing numbers of infections, pastors are encouraged to provide space in the church, and information as to its location, that will accommodate their parishioners who need or wish to mask and maintain safe distance from others at Mass.

The Pandemic Response team will continue to closely monitor state and federal guidance and will issue updates when necessary. Please be cognizant of local conditions in your community.

If you have any questions, contact us at **corona@rcab.org**.

Thank you.

Spanish click **here**.

Portuguese click here.

French click **here**.

AUGUST 5, 2021 PARISH ACTIVITY COVID GUIDANCE UPDATE:

We have received numerous inquiries regarding archdiocesan restrictions on parish activities given the changing course of the pandemic.

There are no restrictions from the archdiocese on parish activities at this time. Parish life and formation activities may continue, and pastors are encouraged to introduce or recommend precautionary measures when they deem it appropriate to do so, as conditions vary from town to town across the archdiocese.

Those who wish to wear masks should be made to feel welcome and comfortable participating in parish activities. Masks are a recommended means of reducing the spread of the virus, especially for those who are at greater risk, unvaccinated, and those regularly in the presence of people in either group.

Please keep in mind that parishioners may see different protocols between nearby parishes.

The archdiocese continues to monitor changing guidance from the state and federal government and information related to the course of the pandemic. Parishes should continue to follow any federal, state, or local mandates or guidelines that apply to them and their locations.

Please direct questions to corona@rcab.org and covidfaithformation@rcab.org.

Thank you.

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