



St Michael Catholic Church
 458 Maple Street, Livermore, CA 94550
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St Michael Catholic Church Reopens for Public Mass

Beginning June 19, 2020, Solemnity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your prayers and patience. God is good! We are now moving to Phase 3 under the guidance of Bishop Michael Barber and Alameda County Health Department, to reopen public Mass beginning on June 19, the Solemnity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Because we are limited to 80 people in the church, we will require that everyone make a Mass reservation at least 24 hours in advance. This will ensure that people are not gathering in large crowds and will ensure our compliance with the number of people we can allow at Mass. Additionally, every Mass throughout the week will include the Sunday Mass readings, to offer the largest possible access to the Sunday celebration, so it is not required that you attend Mass on a Sunday. I ask you, in your kindness, to please only reserve one Mass per week, so that as many members of our community can attend in person.

Please remember that Bishop Michael Barber has offered a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. We will also continue to livestream Mass on Facebook and YouTube. If you are sick or have been sick over the past couple of weeks or at a higher risk for COVID 19, you are encouraged to pray the Mass from the safety of your home.

I ask you to please be patient, flexible and compassionate with our clergy, staff and volunteers as we all get used to these new procedures. Our aim is to offer as many people the joy of worshipping together in person, while also keeping our community safe and in compliance with the Alameda County Health Department.

Our worship schedule will be as follows:

Monday – Saturday		
6:15 am – 6:30 am	Rosary and Chaplet	
6:45 am – 7:30 am	Mass in English	With Livestream
8:30 am – 9:15 am	Mass in English	
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Adoration	June 19-30
6:00 pm – 6:45 pm*	Mass in English	*Except Fridays
7:30 pm – 8:15 pm	Mass in Spanish	With Livestream

Sunday		
6:45 am – 7:30 am	Mass in English	
8:00 am -8:45 am	Traditional Latin Mass	With Livestream
9:30 am – 10:15 am	Mass in English	With Livestream
11:00 am – 11:45 pm	Mass in English	
12:30 pm – 1:15 pm	Mass in Spanish	With Livestream
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Adoration	June 19-30



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6:00 pm – 6:45 pm	Mass in English	
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Please read the Procedure for Celebrating Mass below for your safety and to avoid the spread of COVID-19 virus.

To make a Mass reservation online at
StMichaelLivermore.com/MassReservations (English)
StMichaelLivermore.com/Reservaciones (Spanish)

If you have friends who do not have internet access, please reach out to them! You may register for them at the above links. They can also call 925-667-4055 on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm to register by phone.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you very soon!

Fr Carl
Pastor



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MASS ATTENDANCE PROCEDURE

Before Mass

Make a Reservation

To ensure that we do not exceed the limited capacity in the church, and that no one is turned away at the door, each person attending Mass will need to have a reservation at least 24 hours in advance.

Please only reserve one Mass per week, to allow as many people as possible the opportunity to attend Mass in person.

There are three ways you can make your Mass reservation:

- Use the sign-up form delivered to you via Flocknote or
- Visit StMichaelLivermore.com/MassReservations (English) StMichaelLivermore.com/Reservaciones (Spanish)
- If you do not have internet access, call 925-667-4055 on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Temperature Check at Home

Before coming to church, please do a self-temperature check. Those with a fever above 100.4 degrees should stay home.

Gather Worship Aids

If you like to follow along with the prayers at Mass, bring your own worship aids such as Magnificat. There will not be missalettes or hymnals available in the church.

Wear a Face Covering

Guided by Alameda County Health Department, those over age 12 are required to wear a face covering that covers the nose and mouth. Alameda County gives an exception for those who have conditions that cause breathing difficulty. Children under age 2 should not wear a face covering.

About the Liturgy

Limit to One Mass

In your kindness, please limit yourself to attending Mass once per week to allow everyone an opportunity to celebrate in person. It's important to know that our normal weekend Mass attendance is 2,500 people.

Like Sunday Every Day



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To allow as many people as possible to pray and reflect upon the Sunday Mass readings in person, every Mass celebrated throughout the week will include the Sunday Mass readings.

Offertory

Parishioners and guests can place their offering in the boxes located at both the exits to the breezeway and Fourth Street, before or after Mass.

Presentation of the Gifts

To reduce contact, the presentation of the gifts has been removed.

Our Father

Holding hands during the Our Father originally is not part of the Catholic Liturgy or in the Holy Mass. Avoid holding hands with people next to you.

Sign of Peace

During the Sign of Peace, we will offer peace in the silence of our hearts, without physical contact.

Communion

Communion will take place **AFTER** Mass to allow those who are watching live from home to drive to the courtyard and to receive inside the Church.

Communion may be received either by kneeling or standing in front of the ordinary minister.

The Precious Blood (Cup) will not be available.

The faithful are strongly encouraged to receive Communion in the hand without wearing gloves.

Reverently approach the sanctuary wearing a face covering. Make a head bow. Place one hand under the other while keeping fingers together and receive the host. After receiving the host, step aside, lower/lift face covering and consume.

Exit immediately after Communion.

Arriving at Church

Arrive Early

Please arrive 15 minutes early to allow time to park and check in.

Park in the Church Parking Lot or Side Streets

Our Parking Lot volunteers will direct you.

Keep Moving

Please move promptly to and from the church, as we must not gather outside.

Entrance and Check in



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Arrive at the main (Maple Street) entrance of the church with your party, maintaining 6 feet social distancing and face coverings are required. Those with mobility limitations may enter at the breezeway door. A volunteer will check your reservation and offer hand sanitizer (if you have not brought your own). An usher will escort you and your group to an available pew. Members of one household may sit together in one pew, no more than 6 people in a large pew and no more than 4 people in a small pew.

Exit

Side doors are only for exiting. Maintain 6 feet social distancing upon entering and exiting.

Inside the Church

Holy Water

Our holy water fonts will be empty for safety. The faithful may bring their own vessel to fill from the container located at the breezeway door.

6-Foot Social Distance

While seated, standing and walking, people who are not in the same household must remain 6 feet apart from each other.

Collection and Offering

Please place your offerings in the collection boxes located at the entrance and exit doors. You may also mail your donation to 458 Maple Street, Livermore, CA 94550. Or you can text any dollar amount to 925-258-2969 or visit FaithDirect.net for online giving.

After Mass

“Gather” on Social Media

We cannot gather in the courtyard or parking lots for fellowship, but do comment on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter to share your experience.

Download a bulletin

Print bulletins will not be available, but digital copies are available at StMichaelLivermore.com/Bulletins



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Cleaning

The high touch areas of the church will be cleaned and disinfected after each Mass.

Restrooms

Please limit to two people at a time in the restrooms (unless from the same household). Wash hands thoroughly. Restrooms will be cleaned daily.

Those at Risk

Those who are sick or otherwise at high risk for COVID 19 should not attend Mass in person. Masses will continue to be livestreamed.

Until further notice, Bishop Barber continues to dispense the faithful from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days.

Livestream Mass

Mass will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube for those who are unable to attend Mass in person:

[Facebook.com/StMichaelParishLivermore](https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelParishLivermore)
[YouTube.com/StMichaelLivermore](https://www.youtube.com/StMichaelLivermore)

Walk-in Communion is available in the church immediately after each Mass



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CONFESSION, ADORATION & HOMEBOUND

Daily Confession in Adoration Chapel

Monday – Friday at 7:15 am and 3:00 pm (Bilingual)

Saturdays 9:15 am and 3:00 pm (Bilingual)

The line forms in the breezeway. Please wear a face covering and maintain proper social distancing.

(Beginning on July 1, Confession will move back to the church)

Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the church every day, from 3:00 – 5:00 pm, limited to 80 people from June 19-30. Please call Dennis Lundbom at 775-772-6369 for our new adoration hours starting July 1 and to schedule your regular holy hour and for questions.

Ministry to the Homebound

For Holy Communion for the sick and those at risk or for Anointing of the Sick, please call 925-667-4052 or email EricHom@StMichaelLivermore.com to schedule an appointment.