

Diocese of Scranton

COVID-19 Guidance for Yellow Phase

- Parishes in Susquehanna, Wayne and Wyoming counties may gradually **resume public daily Masses no earlier than Monday, June 1, 2020.**
- Parishes will still be open for private, individual prayer.
- Guidelines are fluid and are subject to change with little notice depending on health/safety conditions or state recommendations.
- This is preliminary information and more details will be communicated as it is figured out and decided.

Public Masses can Gradually Resume in the Yellow Phase

- The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended.
- Livestreaming opportunities should continue.
- **Masses will be limited to 25 people, including the priest and any other liturgical staff.**
- Parishes will determine a fair, equitable system for attendance at masses that works best for each church. No parishioner should expect to attend Mass on a daily or regular basis.
- Masks will be required.
- Social distancing will be practiced.
- Holy Communion to be distributed at the end of Mass.

Sacraments can Resume in the Yellow Phase

- Funeral Masses with a limit of 25 people can be held.
- Confessions allowed with proper social distancing in place.
- Weddings with a maximum of 25 people attending.
- First Holy communions and Confirmations can take place as determined by parish.

For additional information on all directives, in addition to proper safety and sanitation protocols that will need to be followed, visit our parish website:

www.apskdp.org

or the Diocese of Scranton at www.dioceseofscranton.org.