

Archdiocese of Baltimore
Guidelines for Responding to the COVID-19 Virus
June 5, 2020

To limit the amount of information being shared and to make this document as easy to read and helpful as possible, it will be limited to mostly updated/new information. Limited “repeat” information is included in italics. A comprehensive set of guidelines can be found at www.archbalt.org/coronavirus.

General

- A. As of today (Friday, June 5) at 5:00 pm, the only jurisdiction that has not moved to the State’s Stage 2 is Baltimore City. Parishes in all other jurisdictions are now allowed to hold indoor public masses in accordance with archdiocesan Phase II guidelines limiting attendance to 1/3 seating capacity.
- B. To assist in assessing the newly released guidance for Phase II and III reopening of administrative and ministerial activities, we are preparing a short summary of the key points included in the documents, which we hope to forward on Monday.
- C. We have reformatted the Phase II and III checklists included with yesterday’s guidance to make them easier to read – please see **attached**.
- D. Due to shipping delays, the Envirocleanse did not arrive in Baltimore today as expected. Therefore, we are pushing back the **pickup date for parishes and schools to JUNE 16** at Seton Keough. Please keep your original sign up time but shift the date to June 16. The link is still active for people to register and anyone with questions can contact Christin Kinman directly at christin.kinman@archbalt.org. See the **attached** updated notice.
- E. Catholic institutions other than schools and parishes may purchase the disinfectant at the 25% discount through the vendor website at www.envirocleanseus.com/shop. Use code skyranch25 to get the 25% discount.
- F. Priests are reminded to please continue to follow the current archdiocesan guidelines restricting personal visits to parishioners while we begin the reopening phase and assess the impact on our communities in order to ensure the continued health and safety of all.
- G. Scouting activities should be considered as falling under the category of youth camps and are therefore allowed to be conducted outdoors as long as all state and archdiocesan guidelines are observed regarding limitations on attendance (no more than 10 in a group).

Communication

- A. *Repeat information:* A page on the archdiocesan website has been established where all pastoral resources will be kept: <https://www.archbalt.org/pastoralresources/>
- B. *Repeat information:* There is one central contact for the Archdiocese for all questions, concerns and reports involving the COVID-19 virus: riskmanagement@archbalt.org. As

more information becomes available and as we learn of other questions or concerns more updates will be forthcoming. Updates will also be posted to <https://www.archbalt.org/coronavirus/>, where you can refer parishioners and others for the latest information and news.