

## **Wearing Masks to Church**

When Bishop Walkowiak announced that churches in the diocese could resume public celebrations of the Mass, one of the requirements was that attendees over the age of two wear face masks.

While we do not turn people away for not wearing masks, it has been very disappointing to see the number of parishioners who have come to Mass without any sort of face covering.

Wearing a mask that covers the nose and mouth can be somewhat uncomfortable, but it is the single best way to reduce the risk of spreading the Covid-19 virus. We do it not for our-selves, but for all those around us and for their family members as well.

Churches, because they are enclosed spaces where people gather, are identified as high risk for transmission. This is especially true when people sing, which increases the risk of spread. Wearing a mask cuts down the risk very significantly.

We are counting on you to do your part!

Please wear your mask!

Extra masks are available on the table in the back of church for those who need one.