

GUIDELINES FOR PERSONS ATTENDING FUNERALS, WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS

ST STEPHEN'S PARISH

(WHILE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH REQUIREMENTS ARE IN EFFECT)

Before Coming to the Church

- No person is allowed in the Sacristy before, during or after the service except to use the washroom on an exceptional basis.
- The Choir loft is closed to all.
- **Parishioners aged 10 and over must wear a 3-ply mask (like the blue or white paper masks) inside the Church at all times except to receive communion. Exceptions will be according to the criteria published on the [Quebec.ca Coronavirus website](https://www.quebec.ca/coronavirus).**

Attending the Service

- The limits on the number of people who are permitted inside places of worship are set by the Government of Quebec and are subject to change as Covid-19 risk levels change. **Please check the St Stephen's website or contact the office to check on current attendance limits.**
- The maximum the church can accommodate is about 70-80 people with 1 meter distancing and no attendance limits.
- Everyone must park across the street in the church parking lot except those who have mobility/accessibility issues.
- Arrive no later than 15 minutes before the service so that entry can occur in an orderly fashion.
- Enter through the west side door.
- Everyone must disinfect their hands upon entry to the church and observe the rules of hygiene and physical distancing.
- Ushers will welcome and escort people to their seats as required.
- Everyone must respect distancing when moving in and around the church and follow instructions and signage. Touch as little as possible in the church. Children must remain in their family pew.
- If there is a mass, instructions for communion will be provided at the appropriate time.
- Singing in the assembly is allowed. People must wear a mask, sing softly and be 2 M away from those not in their household.
- Please take all papers, masks, and other personal belongings with you when you leave. **Masks, gloves and tissues should be disposed of at home.**