

We are pleased to present below the Phase 1 Reopening Plan and guidelines for the Saints Constantine and Helen Church, Westland. If you have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact the church office at 734.525.6789 or stcons2@gmail.com, or speak with Father Teodor Petrutiu directly at 248.330.3177 or frteodor@mail.com

We look forward to seeing you in church!

SAINTS CONSTANTINE AND HELEN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH, WESTLAND
REOPENING PLAN, PHASE 1 – BEGINNING SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2020

Our church building will open for services beginning Sunday, June 21st with a 100 person capacity limit. Since we are required to limit the church capacity, please arrive to the service on time, and we will make every effort to accommodate you.

- Anyone who is currently experiencing any symptoms of illness must stay at home.
- Parishioners will not be prohibited to enter unless they demonstrate symptoms, or have been exposed to COVID 19 in the past 14 days.
- People in high risk groups, including those with pre-existing health conditions and those over the age of 65, are encouraged to consider their risk factors in making the decision to attend.

YOUR SAFETY IS IMPORTANT TO US.

FOR THAT REASON, PLEASE RESPECT THE FOLLOWING RULES:

- Before you enter, you will be asked a series of questions regarding your health and an usher will take your temperature with a no-touch thermometer. A copy of these questions is enclosed. These or similar questions are being asked by employers as employees come to work every day. You will not be allowed to enter if you or anyone in your group has an elevated temperature or answers any question affirmatively.
- Everyone will be required to wear a mask or face covering except small children. There will be cloth and disposable masks available for parishioners at the church entrance for those who do not have one.
- Except for members of the same household, everyone must maintain a social distance of 6' at all times when inside the church.
- Please do not venerate icons or kiss the priest's hand.
- You will enter the sanctuary from the center doors only and will be ushered to a seat. Please wait for an usher in the Narthex. Pews are marked indicating where people may sit to maintain proper social distancing. There is a high chance that you will not be able to sit in your usual spot.
- The center aisle should be used for moving towards the front of the church and the side aisles for moving towards the back of the church.
- The Men's and Women's bathrooms near the church office will be open. If you need to use the bathroom during the service.
- The Nursery/Cry Room will be open for parents with infants.
- Parishioners will not be allowed to congregate in any areas of the church building.

COMMUNION

The Holy Communion will be distributed to those wishing to partake.

- Parishioners are to keep their mask on until right before receiving communion, and then put it back immediately following communion.
- There will be a small table with disposable napkins and a trash can with a liner. Those wishing to take communion will take a napkin first, hold it under their chin, and after communion throw it away in the trash can, the contents of which will be burned after the service.
- The priest will not be wearing a mask during the service, but will have a face covering when distributing communion and antidoron.
- When receiving communion, please open your mouth and tilt your head back as the priest will drop the sacrament into your opened mouth, careful that the spoon will not come into contact. Please do not close your mouth around the spoon.

ANDIDORON/DISMISSAL

- Andidoron will be cut and prepared by one altar server wearing mask & gloves and placed in individual sealed bags. It will then be distributed by the priest in the regular manner.
- Parishioners will then exit the church from the left side door (weather permitting) to the outside.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- DONATIONS: No tray will be passed for donations. Donations can be made at the Pangari (Candle Stand) when you enter the church. There will also be a basket for donations near the exit of the church at the end of the service.
- CLEANING: The church will be fully cleaned/sanitized after every service.
- CHOIR: There will be no Choir until further notice. The choral duties will continue to be performed by chanters singing on opposite sides of the Church.
- COFFEE HOUR/KOLIVA: There will be no Coffee Hour following any of the services of the Church until further notice. Families may bring Koliva that they will take with them at the end of service. There will be no distribution of Koliva at the end of the service.
- PRINTED MATERIALS: There will be no bulletins distributed to parishioners, no flyers at the Pangari, no liturgical books in the pews of the church.
- MEETINGS, EVENTS: The church building remains closed. No meetings or events will be held until further notice.
- SACRAMENTS: Weddings Baptisms, and Funerals may be conducted according to the capacity limitations and rules for all services.
- HELLENIC CULTURAL CENTER: Our Hellenic Cultural Center is beginning to take bookings for late summer (and beyond) events with limited capacity. For more information, please contact Kathy McMullen at 313.303.6350 or kathysmcmullen@yahoo.com

PHASE 2 OF THE CHURCH REOPENING PLAN WILL BEGIN ON JULY 12, 2020. CHURCH CAPACITY WILL INCREASE TO 200, ALL OTHER GUIDELINES REMAIN THE SAME.



PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

- Have you had close contact with or cared for someone who is currently sick with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 within the last 14 days?
- Have you traveled out of the country within the past 14 days?
- Have you experienced any cold or flu-like symptoms in the last 14 days (fever, cough, shortness of breath or other respiratory problem)?
- Have you experienced new muscle aches within the last 14 days that you cannot attribute to another health condition or a specific activity such as physical exercise? A new loss of taste or smell?

For your safety, and for the safety of those attending today's service, if you answer **YES to any of the above questions, you will be prohibited from entering the church building.**