

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Community Of London & Vicinity

Ελληνική ορθοδόξος κοινότης αγίας τριάδος λονδίνου και περιχωρών



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Dear faithful parishioners,

We would like to thank all of you for following the guidelines set forth by the Government of Canada and Ontario, the Public Health Department and our Holy Archdiocese. You have kept us safe and healthy and are making it possible to re-open our beloved **Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church**. Our Church Community is obligated to continue to follow these guidelines inside the Church and on all Community property.

On Monday, June 8, 2020, the Ontario Government announced the re-opening of churches "limiting attendance to 30% capacity and practicing social distancing."

In order to attend Church services, you must be free of COVID-19 symptoms, and have not been in contact with any individual diagnosed with COVID-19, or exhibiting potential symptoms.

If you are sick, please stay home and seek medical advice.

On Sunday, June 21, 2020 our Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church will re-open at 8:15 a.m... Parishioners will enter on a first-come, first-served basis until a capacity of 30% attendance has been reached. NO additional parishioners will be allowed to enter into the Church. Please wait at the Church entrance for a council member to guide you into the Church and follow the guidelines. We highly recommend that a face covering be worn by all parishioners attending services.

ENTRANCE INTO THE CHURCH

- Please enter using the main entrance double doors facing Southdale Road.
- Line up following social distancing markers.
- Please use the sanitizing pumps located in the Narthex.
- Directional markers on the sidewalk and on the floor of the church will indicate flow and where one stands when waiting in line. Please be patient and wait your turn.
- NO kissing of icons is permitted at this time. Simply bow and make the sign of the cross.
- Please have exact donation amount for candles, as Council members will NOT be giving out change.
- Please wait to be escorted to a pew by an usher.

SEATING

- Preferred or usual spots for seating is not permitted at this time.
- Seating will be staggered from front to back.
- Every pew will have markers showing where people can sit.
- Families residing in the same household can sit together, each person will be counted separately.

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- Council members will guide parishioners row by row, using social distancing.
- When approaching to receive Holy Communion, do not touch the red Communion cloth.
- Cross your hands over your chest and open your mouth wide to receive Holy Communion.
- Antidoron will not be distributed at this time.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

- Please contact the Church office to schedule an upcoming Memorial.
- Please prepare a small tray of koliva.
- Do not distribute koliva in the Church.
- Please retrieve your koliva at the end of Divine Liturgy and return directly to your vehicle.
- 2 pews will be reserved at the front of the Church for each Memorial's immediate family members. These seats will not be held after 9:45 a.m... Therefore, please be prompt.

ARTOCLASIA

- Do not cut or distribute Artoclasia in the Church.
- Retrieve your Artoclasia at the end of Divine Liturgy and return directly to your vehicle.

DISMISSAL

- Please exit the Church from the west double doors in the Church Nave.
- Council members will direct parishioners row by row, using social distancing markers.
- Antidoron will be located at the front of the Solea, packaged in individual plastic bags.
- Donation baskets will be placed at the exit doors for your convenience.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- The Church will be thoroughly sanitized prior to each service.
- Please bring your own Divine Liturgy book.
- Donation baskets will not be passed during Divine Liturgy. Donations can be made by using the "DONATE" button on social media, or by contacting the Church office.
- The Church hall will remain closed. No coffee following the Divine Liturgy.
- Regular Church office hours are Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.. The Church office will remain closed on Sundays.
- The drinking fountain will not be available. Washrooms can be used.
- Live-streaming of Services will continue at this time.

Thank you for respecting these rules and protocols. By the Grace of the Holy Trinity, the prayers of the Theotokos and all the saints, stay safe and healthy, and we look forward to praying together in the Church.

With love in Christ,

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