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CHANCERY NOTICE

EASING OF COVID-19 SAFETY MEASURES FOR ATTENDING MASS IN CHURCHES WITHIN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF KUALA LUMPUR

On 27 April 2022, the Ministry of Health announced its latest advisory on easing safety measures related to COVID-19.

With effect from 1 May 2022, in compliance with the latest COVID-19 SOP relaxations, the following are updated measures for attending Masses in churches within the Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur:

1. My-Sejahtera Check-In

MySejahtera check-ins are **no longer mandatory** when entering the church premises for Mass.

2. Admission Regardless of Vaccination Status

Everyone (vaccinated and unvaccinated) will be **allowed entry** into church for Mass.

3. High Risk Status and Home Surveillance Order

Notwithstanding #1, those entering the church for Mass must display their **updated risk status** on MySejahtera. Those with '**High Risk**' status on MySejahtera and those under '**Home Surveillance Order**' (HSO) **must refrain** from attending Mass in church.

4. Face Masks

The wearing of face masks **remains mandatory** while indoors and strongly encouraged for outdoor gatherings when there is a crowd. High-risk and vulnerable individuals are strongly advised to be masked at all times.

5. Capacity Limits

The Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur has provisionally decided that Churches **no longer require a capacity limit** for attending Mass. While this restriction is removed, gathering of large crowds in confined spaces pose higher risks of transmission. Hence, it is important and necessary to ensure that there is proper ventilation and airflow to reduce the concentration of any potential airborne contaminants, including viruses.

Despite the easing of restrictions, the Archdiocese seeks your continued support and diligence in exercising personal responsibility and adhering to the appropriate health protocols as we gather for Mass. This is also to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the vulnerable groups in our faith community. Therefore, **persons with symptoms of a respiratory infection** (e.g. sore throat, cough, runny nose, fever, etc.) **must refrain from attending Mass in the church** until they have recovered.

We take this opportunity to thank all of you for your patience and kind cooperation in observing the health and safety restrictions in church for over two years now.

We remain united in prayer that the current situation continues to stabilise and further improve so as to allow us to progressively resume our other activities. For all other activities in the church, the Archdiocese will issue updated guidelines in due course.



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