

Singing and Chanting During Divine Services

In order to reduce the elevated risk of transmission of COVID-19 that singing or chanting may pose, below are some recommended practices that parishes are strongly encouraged to implement.

Recommendations

- Ventilation Keep all doors and windows open during indoor services (even during the winter months)
- One Chanter is Preferred If two they should position themselves on opposite sides of the Solea. If this is not possible, Chanters should always respect social distancing.
- Ensure Separation of Chanter from parishioners. Chanters should face the Altar and not toward the congregation. The first rows of pews nearest the chanter should remain empty (~20 feet distance).
- It is recommended that chanters should use some form of containment (face shield, face mask or plastic partition) if they cannot ensure they are a minimum of 20 feet from parishioners.
- No Congregational or Group Singing