RE-OPENING OF ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS CHURCH, ON MONDAY, 19th OCTOBER, 2020

GUIDELINES DURING PANDEMIC FOR ATTENDING MASSES
( TO BE STRICTLY ADHERED FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL PARISHIONERS)

Precautions
➢ Parishioners below the age of 15 and above 65 years are refrained from attending masses during the pandemic.

➢ Expectant mothers and those with symptoms of cough, cold, fever and other health conditions are kindly advised to attend Holy Mass online.

➢ Wearing of proper face mask covering nose and mouth and temperature checks are mandatory while entering the church. Please keep the mask on during the entire duration of the Mass. Non-compliance of safety measures will be denied entry to the church. NO MASK – NO ENTRY.

➢ While sanitizers are provided in the entrance of the Church, the faithful are requested to bring their own sanitizers too.

➢ Social distancing to be practiced while entry, receiving communion and exits.

➢ The Sacristy is strictly “For the use of the Priests and Sacristan only”.

➢ Follow the markers on the benches and floors.

➢ Avoid touching and wiping the images/statues of the saints inside the church & courtyard.

➢ There will be no offertory processions.

➢ Collection bags with long handle will be used to gather love-offering.

➢ No handshake or touching hands for exchanging the “Sign of Peace”

➢ Do not linger around the Parish to chitchat. Please proceed to your homes immediately.

➢ As we need to fumigate and sanitize, please leave the Church after about 5 minutes.

➢ Please do not bring your cars close to the Church. Park them far or better still to walk to the Church if you can.

Live streaming of Masses and links will be posted on www.avona.org and www.salmiyachurch.com our Parish App.
**Entrance & Exit**

- Ushers will be at your assistance as you enter. Parishioners are requested to be courteous and co-operate at all times.
- Courtyard door will be used exclusively for entrance. Screening protocols and precautionary checks like temperature reading and general health conditions done in the courtyard.
- Follow the signs of entrance and exit doors. There will be sign and markers installed.
- Do not crowd at entrance door of the courtyard and exit door. Kindly queue and practice safe distancing.

**Restrictions**

- Prayer meetings, condolence meetings and other forms of gatherings are not allowed.
- House visits and blessing are not allowed.
- The Adoration Chapel will remain closed.
- Conferring of the Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage are allowed with limited number of attendees and strictly by appointment only. Please contact the Parish Office.

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**New Parish Office Timing**

9:30am-12:00noon and 04:30 pm to 07:30 pm *(daily except Fridays)*

**PARISH OFFICE by Appointment only**

You may send your requests and/or inquiries to the Parish Email ID: *stcjsalmiya@gmail.com* or call during office hours *(25649516)*