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# St. Joseph County Department of Health

"Promoting physical and mental health and facilitating the prevention of disease, injury and disability for all St. Joseph County residents"

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## COVID-19 Cases Update

St. Joseph County- As of today, the county's total number of confirmed cases is at 643. Almost 55% of cases are female and 45% are male. Age breakdowns include: 19 and under (8%), 20-29 (14%), 30-39 (15%), 40-49 (19%), 50-59 (13%), 60-69 (14%), 70-79 (8%), and 80+ (9%). To date, 6,899 tests have been administered. We are also confirming three more deaths related to COVID-19 infection bringing the County's total deaths to 23.

Beacon Health System will host a mobile testing site Monday, May 4 from 12 -3 p.m. at Holy Cross Church (1050 Wilbur St., South Bend). Individuals must be experiencing symptoms (fever, cough, or shortness of breath). Testing is available on a first come, first served basis.

Today Governor Holcomb announced a phased "re-opening" of Indiana beginning on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. As restrictions begin to be lifted, it is critical that individuals at greatest risk for COVID-19 infection (those 65 and older and those with chronic conditions) stay home. Gatherings should be limited to 25 people or less and physical distancing should be maintained. Facemasks should be worn in public and individuals that can work remotely should still do so.

The St. Joseph County Department of Health strongly urges the continuation of the following actions:

- **Practice extreme physical distancing.**
  - Maintain at least 6ft between individuals.
  - Wearing a mask does NOT eliminate the need for physical distancing.
- **Practice frequent and proper hand hygiene & cough etiquette.**
  - Wash hands often, for at least 20 seconds, with soap & water; coughing and sneezing into your sleeve.
- **Stay home if ill.**

For more information on COVID-19, visit the Indiana State Department of Health at [www.in.gov/isdh](http://www.in.gov/isdh) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov). For general questions as it relates to COVID-19 infection, please call 2-1-1.

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