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COVID-19 case reported at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

WHARTON -- Today, a parishioner of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Wharton, who attended 10 a.m. Mass on June 7, has reported testing positive for the COVID-19 virus.

The church building is currently closed to the public and will undergo thorough disinfecting before it is reopened for public Mass.

Anyone who has attended Masses at Our Lady of Mount Carmel the weekend of June 7 is encouraged to monitor their health for any symptoms of COVID-19 as a precautionary measure. According to the Centers for Disease Control, those symptoms include fever, chills, cough, fatigue, muscle or body aches, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea.

Anyone in any parish who does not feel well is asked to stay home and participate in a virtual or television Mass if possible.

Parishes and parishioners are asked to follow social distance and hygiene guidelines when in church. That means wearing facemasks, using hand sanitizer before and after Mass, and keeping 6 feet of distance from other parishioners who are not family member.

Please remember to keep all those impacted by the pandemic in your prayers.