

### Suspension of Public Masses

The government's Subcommittee on Novel Coronavirus Disease Control announced on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August that intensive strengthening of measures for a limited period would be requested due to the explosive spread of Covid-19 infections. According to the [Archdiocese of Tokyo's circular dated August 14, 2021](#), the Archdiocese has decided to shift to **Stage 4 precautionary measures and suspend public masses in the parishes for 4 weeks from August 16 (Mon) to September 12 (Sun)**. In connection with this, our Church will take the following measures:

Church Activities		Measures	Period
<b>Holy Mass</b> (See the Note below)	Saturday and Sunday Masses	<b>Temporary suspension</b> (Praying at home would be appreciated.)	8/21(Sat) to 9/12(Sun)
	Friday Mass	<b>Temporary suspension</b>	Aug (no Fri masses) 9/3, 9/10
<b>Meditation</b>	Taizé Gathering	<b>Temporary suspension</b>	9/11
	Eucharistic Adoration	Church opening for private prayer (On Sundays from 09:00 to 12:00, the consecrated Eucharistic Host will be displayed for adoration.)	<u>Opening hours:</u> (Tue to Sun) 09:00 – 17:00 (Mon) Closed
<b>Study Program</b>	Introduction to Christianity (2nd & 4th Sun)	<b>Temporary suspension</b>	8/22(Sun), 9/12(Sun)
	Bible Study (Fri)	<b>Temporary suspension</b>	Aug (no classes) 9/3, 9/10

**Note:**

During the suspension of public masses, the Priest's Message of our Church will continue to be delivered via email and posted on the website every Saturday evening. Besides praying at home, you may also join the Archbishop's Sunday masses at 10:00 a.m. live streamed on internet using the YouTube account of Sekiguchi Church.