



2020 St. Joe Farmers Market: COVID-19 Changes

St. Joseph Today is asking that all St. Joe Farmers Market vendors adhere to the following changes/guidelines (as applicable) provided by MIFMA/SJT this season:

- Suspend all product sampling.
- Please do not attend the market if you have a compromised immune system and/or are not feeling well.
- Sanitize all market equipment and containers. Look to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) [Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection Recommendations](#) for guidance.
- Have a handwashing station (preferred) or hand sanitizer at your booth and use it often.
- Pre-package all items before coming to the market as applicable.
- Clearly and legibly post product lists with prices so that customers can distance themselves from you and your booth and still see what you have to offer.
- Set up your booth in a way that minimizes/eliminates a customer's ability to touch products. *For example, set up a table in front of you with a product list and a table behind you with the product. Customers can tell you what product(s) they want and you can get it for them.*
- Vendors must set up booth 6ft back from the sidewalk so that lines may form and shoppers can maintain 6ft distance.
- This year will feature a new layout - All booths will be on the West side of the sidewalk (no booths will be on the tree lawn), extending both on the North and South end of the bluff stairs if necessary.
- Vendors must wear face masks during the market hours 9am-2pm. Additionally, the use of gloves is strongly suggested.
- Put less product out for display and restock more often.
- Only use market table covers that can be sanitized throughout the market day, such as plastic or vinyl.
- Minimize cash transactions and round prices to the nearest dollar to reduce the need to exchange coins.
- During the market, routinely clean and disinfect "high touch" items such as tables, cash boxes, and touch screens on point-of-sale devices.