

Dear Parishioners,

June 13, 2020

Many thanks to those of you who responded to our weekend [Mass Survey](#). It has helped us to better anticipate the number of you who will be attending each of our four Sunday Masses. Please remember this was/is a *survey* and **not** a *reservation*. If attending, you are *strongly* advised to **arrive early** as we are obliged to close our doors after reaching our 25% seating capacity. **From the limited survey results alone, we expect to be at 25% capacity at each of our four Sunday Masses.**

Our weekend schedule will be as follows:

Saturday Daily Mass at 12 Noon (This week only!)

Saturday Confessions from 4 – 4:30 PM in the Parish Meeting Room. If the door is open – come right in. (If the door is closed, please *remain in your vehicle* until the person before you exits the room.)

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:30 PM

Sunday Masses at 8 AM – 10 AM – 12 PM (NO 7 PM Mass throughout the summer).

We are pleased to announce that our Sunday Masses will include music and singing.

Week of June 15th onward: return to **regular** DAILY MASS SCHEDULE with original announced intentions,

Monday through Friday - 9:00 AM & 12:10 PM and Saturday – 9:00 AM.

New Offertory Boxes: Ushers will no longer be visiting pews in order to take up collections. *Upon entering the Church*, please place your weekly offering, as well as designated second collections, in the large wooden boxes on the left and right.

For the benefit of those NOT signed up for the parish envelope system, our upcoming calendar of **SECOND COLLECTIONS** are: **June 14th** Home Missions & Latin America; **June 21st** St. Vincent De Paul; **June 28th** Parish Finance Assessment; **July 5th** St. Vincent De Paul; **July 12th** Black & Indian Home Missions; **July 19th** Energy (AC); **July 26th** Parish Finance Assessment; **August 2nd** St. Vincent De Paul; **August 9th** Pastoral Solidarity Fund for Africa and **August 23rd** Parish Finance Assessment. No *parish* envelopes? Please place your second collection offerings in a plain envelope. Wish to receive parish envelopes? Contact the office (845-735-7405).

Church Attendance Guidelines:

*Enter via the **front center** doors only. All other doors will be closed.

*If you, or a family member, has a fever or is feeling ill, please **do not** enter the Church.

*The elderly, especially those with pre-existent health conditions, should remain at home.

*Facial coverings (masks) must be worn in order to be admitted to the Church. Gloves are optional.

*Observe social distancing at all times.

*There will be no offertory procession, or exchange of peace.

*Communion will be distributed in the *hand only*. When the person ahead of you steps up to the celebrant or minister, make a simple bow. Step up with your hands overlapped and accept the host. Step off to the side, lower your mask and consume the host. Lift your mask back into place as you return to your seat.

*Lavatory – please *limit* the use of this facility if possible.

*Hand sanitizing dispensers are available upon leaving the Church. However, please **WASH** your hands upon arrival home.

+Extraordinary Reconciliation Friday, June 19th: Opportunities for Confession will be available from **10 AM – 12 PM** and **4 PM – 6 PM** at all Churches in the Archdiocese of New York. Here at Saint Aedan we will be using the Parish Meeting Room. Same procedure as above.

+Memorial Masses: Memorial Masses are now being scheduled for parishioners who passed away during the past three months and were unable to have a *Funeral* Mass. Here at St. Aedan, a *Memorial* Mass is conducted just like a *Funeral* Mass with music and singing. If there is an urn, containing cremains, it is set on a small table where a casket would traditionally be placed. If the deceased has already been interred, a photo or two may be placed on the table with a small floral piece. Prayer cards may also be provided at the Mass.

+Announced Daily Masses: Masses which were unable to be celebrated due to the coronavirus restrictions may be now rescheduled by contacting the Parish Office (735-7405). Callers will be provided with a choice of open dates/times for the remainder of the 2020 Church year.

+Baptism appointments: May be scheduled/re-scheduled by contacting the Parish Office during the week. *First time* parents will need to schedule an appointment for the traditional class with [Deacon Maher](#).

+Funeral Masses: Will resume at the usual time of 10 AM.

Pastoral E-Mailings: If you have not yet done so, please join [FlockNote](#) our parish database of over 1400 email addresses which allows us to enjoy ongoing communication with many of our households. We wish more of our parishioners would “*join the flock.*” Also, please use your own outreach via email, Facebook or Twitter and, yes, the telephone, to spread the word to your neighbors and fellow parishioners who may not be hooked up to a computer. If they wish to join and receive firsthand information from the parish, ask them to send their email address (with name & cell phone number) to us at staedansit@optonline.net.

Financial support: Many thanks to those of you whose personal finances have allowed you to continue your generous support of weekly offertories, the Renew & Rebuild Capital Campaign and the Cardinal’s Annual Stewardship Campaign. As I open the envelopes every week, I am so very moved by the many personal notes I have received along with your offering envelopes/checks. Thank you for your continuing love of and loyalty to our beautiful parish and your clergy. May God bless us and keep us safe and healthy.

Prayerfully in Christ,
Monsignor Emmet Nevin
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