

DISABILITY CONCERNS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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I have difficulty hearing at Mass or services when I'm at St. Thomas a'Becket. What can I do?

When attending a service where ushers are in attendance, please see an usher and an amplifier will be provided. If no ushers are available, please stop in the office and the office staff will assist in providing an amplifier. Please remember to return the amplifier.

I am in a wheelchair and have difficulties finding a location to attend Mass. What should I do?

Please see an usher upon entering the Church. They will assist you to a reserved area in the front or rear of the church. If you would like to locate somewhere else, the usher will assist in making space available for you and your caregiver.

I have a rolling walker. Where do I sit so that I won't be in the way of others?

Contact an usher and they will assist you in being seated.

I am in a wheelchair. Who do I see to receive communion? Will someone come to me?

Contact an usher and they will arrange for the Eucharistic Minister to bring Communion to you.

I am disabled and cannot find a parking spot. What should I do?

If you have a caregiver, have them drop you off in the gathering area and park in a regular spot. Please use one of the designated Handicapped spots. If no handicapped spots are available, please park in the best available spot and contact the office so that we are aware of the additional need.

I have problems reading small print. Can I get a large print copy of the bulletin?

Did you know that there is an easy way to view almost any website (including the Chancellor posted at www.abecket.org) in large print? Open your favorite browser and use your keyboard to hold down the Ctrl key while you push the + key. Each time you hit Ctrl and + together, it will increase the font size on your browser. You can increase the font size to your preference. When you want to return a page to its normal size, hit Ctrl and - (minus) together. If you have a Mac, you can use the Apple command key and the + sign to increase the font size and the Apple command key and the - sign to decrease the font size.

I am deaf. Do you have someone to sign the Mass?

No. We do not have that capability at this time. The Archdiocese of Detroit does have information that may assist you. You can find out more about Archdiocese of Detroit's Resources for the Hearing Challenged.

My child has a cognitive impairment; however, I would like to have him/her participate in the regular Faith Formation Program. What do I do?

Please contact Betsy Crapps, Religious Education Director. Betsy will assist in evaluating how we can accommodate your child in our Faith Formation Program.

My child with special needs would like to get involved with the Youth Group or Choir. What should I do?

There are many programs for young people in our parish. We try to make all possible accommodations so that all children may be involved. Please speak directly to the director of the activity to determine how your child's needs can be accommodated.

I have a family member/friend who is cognitively impaired and would like to have a more spiritual involvement with the Parish. What can I do?

Currently we do not have any group type activities addressing the cognitively impaired. Please contact Fr. Chris, Deacon Jim, or Debbie Miller to discuss your situation. We also invite you to check out the information provided by the Archdiocese of Detroit.

When I see someone with a medical problem, what should I do?

If you are at a service with ushers, contact an usher for assistance. If you are at an activity without an usher, contact the office or an available staff person.

I find it hard to walk from the parking lot to the church without somewhere to rest. Do you have a place for me to sit?

There are benches and chairs at the entrance to each of the main doors as well as chairs in the Gathering area.

I sometimes have problems breathing. Is there a nurse on the premises?

We do not have a nurse available; however, if you are having difficulties have someone contact an usher or the office for assistance.