

# Our Lady Consolata Parish

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Dear Parishioners of Our Lady Consolata Parish;

We are happy to be coming back together to worship as a family. We are beginning to have our Sunday masses starting the weekend of May 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. Below are the changes (from the previous letter you received) if questions please feel free to call the office 989-665-1027.

**Even when Sunday Mass is available, the Faithful will remain dispensed from any obligation to attend Mass on Sunday until August 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**Sunday Liturgies ONLY (at this time)** will be limited to the number of people in attendance. For our parish the following is what we will be doing to assure social distancing. Please call the office to reserve your space at either the Sunday Liturgy.

**Weekday Morning Liturgy:** Fr. Theo will continue to have a private daily mass for all parishioners. If you have or would like to request a prayer intention for a weekday private mass please call the office and we will let Fr. Theo know about your prayer intention.

## **Liturgy locations and times:**

Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm      St. Pancratius

Sunday Mass: 9:30 am      St. Agatha      (while Holy Family is under construction)

We are only having weekend Liturgies for health safety reasons. We must sanitize after each liturgy this takes time and personnel.

- **MASKS ARE MANDATED TO WEAR FROM 2 YRS. OF AGE AND OLDER AT EACH AND EVERY MASS.**  
**NO MASK NO ADMITTANCE.**

**If you do not have a mask there will be some available when you come into church to keep and take home.**

- Seating at mass is limited to 50 people.
- We will be doing this on a first call bases. Once you call you have that day and time, you do not have to call each week unless you want to change the mass time.
- **If you do not reserve a Sunday Liturgy you will not be admitted into the church.**
- With Saturday Mass being our largest attendance you may be limited to only one (1) Saturday liturgy a month at the being. (Example: the first group of 50 people would come on the first Saturday of each month, second group the second Saturday and so on). If we reach the limit of 50 people you will be notified if you must miss a Saturday Mass.
- When entering the church only the front doors will be open for entrance. **NO SIDE DOORS**
- You will check in with the usher.

## **Collection**

- There will be a locked box at the entrance of each church to drop your contribution in before or after mass

### Seating Communion

- Seating will be in sections family (who live in the same household), couples and singles. So we can accommodate everyone.
- We will have some pews taped off for no seating
- We will have an X in the pew in the area we are asking you to sit to keep social distancing

### Communion

- We will have X's on the floor to keep social distancing for the distribution of Communion
- Distribution of Communion will be at the end of the mass. Pews will be released one by one. (This will be like a wedding/funeral dismissal) and after receiving Communion you are asked to exit the church.
- Please exit directly from church do not stop to visit within the church walls.
- No homebound Hosts into a Pyx will be given out.

### Volunteers

- We are asking anyone who is an usher or lectors who would be willing to be an usher or lector at either mass please call the office.

#### Ushers Duties:

- check people in off the list
- release pews for communion

#### Lector Duties:

- Only one lector
- Will do both readings, responsorial psalm and the intercessions
- If any announcement will be made at the end of Mass

### Palms:

- Palms that Fr. Theo blessed on Palm Sunday will be available after each mass as you leave church after communion. We ask that you not touch the table but receive your Palm from the person handing them out. You can request more than one Palm just tell the person how many you would like.
- The weekends of May 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> and June 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>
- We are asking for 4 volunteers to hand out Palms at these weekend liturgies, 2 people at each site. If you are willing to help please call the office.

### Extra Information:

- No singing at this time during mass
- The Cry Rooms will not be available at any church
- No Bulletins – you may read bulletin online on our website
- All hymnals will be removed and not available.
- All literature and rosary will also be removed and not available at this time.

If you do not feel comfortable coming to mass at this time we totally understand. You must do what you feel is best for you. We thank all of you who have continued to send in their weekly/monthly stewardship to the parish.

God Bless each of you, Stay Safe and Healthy, and I hope to see you soon



Fr. Theodore Nnabugo