



Dear Friends in Christ,

*Good News:* All systems are “Go” as-planned for our Christmas Masses – in church, drive in, or online wherever you are. Our parishes are already complying with the new, more stringent guidelines the state will start this Saturday (even our most full Christmas Masses will be under 23% capacity in each church). So we hope that all who planned to attend will still feel comfortable doing so. **If you plan to come but haven’t made reservations**, be sure to visit [www.pwc.church/christmas-mass-schedule-2020](http://www.pwc.church/christmas-mass-schedule-2020) to learn which options are still open to you and how to prepare.

*Even better news:* **Christmas is finally here...** a source of joy, hope, and love in our lives! So much of what we have been missing this year – family, community, the arts – can be found in our shared worship in the Mass, which (if we let it) can sing eloquently to our hearts and **breath healing, new life, and yes lasting joy back into our lives.**

We hope and pray that you will participate in some way in our worship at Christmas Mass, whether in church, by “drive-in” (with a smartphone) to receive Communion outside, or through our online platforms (simultaneous streams from each church Christmas Eve, available online throughout Christmas). Find out how, using the above link to our website, which will include the latest video links and updates.

Fr. Lambert and I were talking recently about how much *we all* feel the need for Our Savior to be born anew in our lives *this year especially*. On behalf of our priests, deacons, and the whole Pastoral Team serving St. Martha and St. Mary Parishes, we pray you have a truly blessed Christmas filled with the peace and love of Jesus Christ! May He carry us into a new year filled with hope and promise of what He has in store for our future...

In Christ the Newborn King,  
Fr. Joe