

Normal Masses, New Concerts, Exciting Improvements

Invitations to Return to Normal Mass, More about Sunday Obligations, and New Things to Celebrate!

Mass As Normal As You Want It To Be *(updated from prior email)*

You can plan which Mass you want to attend, or decide on the spur of the moment... **Do you want to attend Mass without the hassle? Welcome back!** Just come as you are, and find plenty of room in the open seating areas of the church. If you are vaccinated you can skip the face covering, and most of the ropes and tape on the carpet is gone! **Do you need to maintain precautions** or just feel more comfortable keeping masks on a little longer? **You too can come as you are**, and you will find a seating section in our churches where face coverings and social distancing are practiced. **All are welcome to attend your way, and to respect how others choose to attend.**

For more info, see the [New Relaxed Protocols for St. Martha Parish and St. Mary Parish.](#)

Pandemic Dispensation Expiring: Understanding Our Sunday Mass Obligations

You probably have heard that our archbishop, Cardinal Seán, has joined with many other bishops in our area in deciding the reason for excusing the us from Sunday Mass has subsided, so they are ending the “dispensation”. It is Jesus himself who commands us, “*Do This In Memory of me,*” and Christ’s commands are meant to bring us life to the fullest!

We encourage you to read the beautiful [Sunday Mass Letter from Cardinal Seán](#) in which he provides reasons that the in-person Mass obligation *does (and sometimes does not) apply.** Although the dispensation is still in effect for one more weekend, **why not let the positive reasons take precedence and come now to receive the grace and strength of Christ in the Eucharist?**

*Please [contact your parish office](#) if you would like to have a Communion Outreach minister bring the Eucharist to your home. We have restored this ministry and are happy to extend it to anyone who is still not able to come to Mass. Of course, priests can also visit for Confession or Anointing of the Sick in these situations.

Ways to Celebrate our Parish Communities:

CAR WASH THIS SATURDAY by St. Mary Knights of Columbus - \$10.00 per car, Hand Wash and Towel Dry Car Wash, with all proceeds to benefit donations to the council's community efforts including our planned 5k race in the fall. **This Saturday, June 12th, 9:00am-Noon in the St. Mary parking lot.** *“It s a great cause, and your car will never look better! Thank you and God Bless.”*

PWC OPEN AIR CONCERT SERIES: Starts This Sunday with Julian Carelli & Chris Carson - The first concert will take place **this Sunday, June 13th at 2:00pm at Plainville’s Telford Park** (by the old town hall) where we have held church picnics before. (The next concert won’t be until July.) For more details and future updates on this series, see the [PWC Open Air Concert Series](#) page.

YOUR SUPPORT Is Bringing EXCITING IMPROVEMENTS to Our Churches - This week’s Pastoral Column by Fr. Joe presents several of the [many repairs and capital improvements](#) taking place at both parishes’ properties.