

ST. BENEDICT/ST. ELIZABETH PARISH INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

DAILY & WEEKEND MASSES

Fr. Coffey plans to celebrate all Masses at their set times and locations regardless of weather conditions. If there is inclement weather of any sort, please use your best judgement and exercise appropriate caution if you choose to come to Mass. Please do not take unnecessary risks or put yourself in danger. Keep in mind that there is no obligation to attend Mass if there is inclement weather (and, there is no obligation at present due to the Bishop's Mass dispensation in light of COVID-19).

On the rare occasion that it may become necessary to cancel a Mass due to inclement weather, we will communicate such via Flocknote and our parish website. Parish Offices may be closed in the event of inclement weather, so please call before coming to the Parish Office on such days.

WEEKEND MASSES / RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

If you have any question about whether weekend liturgies (*religious education classes are currently being held virtually*) will be held in light of inclement weather, call the Parish Office at 410-634-2253 and listen to the voice mail message or log onto the parish website (www.beparish.com) for information. If possible, we will send a global e-mail/FLOCKNOTE text to all parishioners with pertinent information regarding the cancellation of liturgies (*or religious education classes*).

PARISH MEETINGS & EVENTS

Decisions about parish meetings and events will be made on a case-by-case basis dependent on weather and road conditions. Again, if possible, we will send a global e-mail/FLOCKNOTE to all parishioners with pertinent information regarding the cancellation of any parish meetings and events.

IF YOU ARE UNSURE ABOUT WHETHER A SCHEDULED PARISH LITURGY OR EVENT WILL BE HELD

visit the Parish Website (www.beparish.com) or call the Parish Office (410-634-2253).

We will do our best to post cancellation information in at least one of these places.

Or, SIGN-UP FOR FLOCKNOTE and get alerts sent directly to your cell phone.

Simply text the word BEPARISH to the phone number 84576 or go online to

www.flocknote.com/beparish.

IF I MISS MASS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, DO I NEED TO GO TO CONFESSION?

No. Missing Mass (not meeting your Sunday obligation) due to inclement weather is not a sin as the circumstances related to your missing Mass are beyond your control. You are not deliberately choosing not to go to Mass because you are too lazy or simply don't feel like it.

NOTE: According to diocesan rules, the Pastor/Parish Administrator has the authority to cancel weekend Masses due to inclement weather if he feels that conditions would make travel dangerous for parishioners.