

COVID-19 PANDEMIC - NOTICE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK FORM

NOTICE:

Our goal is to provide a safe environment for our youth, parents, and staff, and to advance the safety of our local community. This document provides information that we ask you to acknowledge and understand regarding the COVID-19 virus and how it will impact Confirmation prep. gatherings.

The COVID-19 virus is a serious and highly contagious disease. The World Health Organization has classified it as a pandemic. You could contract COVID-19 from a variety of sources. We want to ensure that you are aware of the potential risk of contracting COVID-19 associated with youth gatherings of any kind.

The COVID-19 virus has a long incubation period. You, your child, and parish volunteers may have the virus and not show symptoms and yet still be contagious. Determining who is infected by COVID-19 is challenging and complicated due to limited availability for virus testing.

We will be following the CDC guidelines for events and gatherings. We truly care for the health and safety of all children and want what is best for your child. We have implemented increased health and safety practices to prevent the spread of the respiratory virus. These practices include:

- The use of masks by parish staff and volunteers
- Maintaining small groups of youth not exceeding 10
- Practicing social distancing throughout the Confirmation Prep program
- Increase health and sanitation practices including handwashing, cleaning, and sanitizing

A complete copy of our best practices and COVID-19 Health Safety Policies are available on the Diocesan Website – dmdiocese.org

ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

I confirm that I have read the above notice and understand and accept that there is a risk of contracting the COVID-19 virus during youth programs for myself and my child. I understand and accept the potential risk of contracting COVID-19 from contact at St. Mary Catholic Church. I also acknowledge that my child and/or I could contract the COVID-19 virus from outside of this facility and unrelated to my child's participation here.

PARTICIPANTS:

Print child/children's name above that will attend youth events through St. Mary of Nazareth

I have read and understand the information stated above:

Parent Signature

Date