

30 August 2020

Dear St. Charles Parishioner:

Following our policy of gradual return to full parish life, this will be the last Sunday that we offer the 11:00am online Mass from the "rectory studio." Effective next Sunday, September 6, we will livestream the Mass directly from our church at 10:00am. If that new 10:00am time is too early for you to tune in, you can access that Mass later in the day. Thank you to Bob Radke, Paul Martin, and Ed Ibos for all their good work in installing the necessary wiring, equipment, and system controls in our church.

There will be some adjustments and additions to our parish schedule in the next few days. Here are the highlights:

We will offer an 8:30am daily Mass on all Fridays from September thru May. Grades one to three will attend one week, grades four to eight will attend the next week.

We will add a daily Mass at 7:00am on Monday thru Friday, beginning Tuesday, September 8. The plan is to broadcast and to record the 7:00am Mass daily to replace the current 11:00am Mass from the "rectory studio."

We will expand Parish Office hours, effective Tuesday, September 8. The new schedule will be: Sunday, 8:00am to 1:00pm; Saturday, 8:00am to 5:00pm, Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 8:00pm.

With our additional Parish Office hours, I am asking you to resume your purchase and use of our gift cards. As you can imagine, our gift card program suffered greatly when the stores were closed and folks stayed home. At minimum, please do your grocery shopping and gasoline purchasing with our gift cards. The few cents earned on each dollar add up quickly and all funds earned benefit the education of children. Stop by the Parish Office for a list of the many gift cards we carry. Many thanks!

Our day school students returned to class on Wednesday. All went well. Students and staff are following the health guidelines: masks in place and social distancing. We are all learning new lessons together. Thanks to our principal, Mrs Updegrave, and to those who work with her, for their leadership and cooperation!

Spread the word about 2020-21 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Our new parochial vicar, Father Josh, and Deacon Dan have all the arrangements in place. RCIA sessions will be held on Monday evenings, beginning in September. RCIA is for those interested in joining the Catholic Church. Call Deacon Dan, Father Josh, or the Parish Office for details (440-884-3030).

The Sunday Offertory for August 23 was \$16,095.21. Thank you for your continued generous support of St Charles Borromeo Parish.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Father Josh".