

Dear Friends,

I am sending this email to you to address the concerns some expressed surrounding Covid and the announcements made by the Ford Government yesterday.

First, please rest assured the Confirmation Celebrations are still a go tonight and tomorrow.

Second, as we have been doing and will continue to do so, all the protocols laid down by the government and by our Diocese will be followed.

Face masks must be worn throughout the entire celebration unless there are medical reasons not to do so.

Social distancing is required at all times therefore we, as usual, have restricted the number of attendees at each celebration.

You must remain in your bubble and refrain from mingling with others.

For the Confirmation, an individual cotton swab will be used to place the Holy Oil on the forehead of each Candidate so as to avoid any direct contact.

Assuming the sponsor is in the bubble of the Candidate, the sponsor will be the only one to come forward with the Candidate and place her/his hand on the shoulder of the Candidate and say, "Father, I present to you _____(name) for the Sacrament of Confirmation"

If the sponsor is not in the bubble you may use a proxy for the sponsor.

Rest assured I am doing everything possible to keep everyone safe, however, if you feel uncomfortable and uncertain about all of this and would rather wait for a later date, please rest assured that I am happy to set another date for you in the future. Please call the office and leave a message with Anna if you chose to wait for later date.

Please arrive at the church 20-30 before the Confirmation Mass time so volunteers can properly seat everyone.

If you have any more concerns or questions please contact me directly at. tblondin@dol.ca

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