

Dear Parishioners,

I hope that you are doing well and that the beginning of the school year has gone smoothly. I would just like to update you on a few matters. First, the priests of our Diocese received permission yesterday from our Diocesan Administrator, Father James Bissonette, to resume the pre-pandemic practice of distributing Holy Communion during the Mass itself at the normal time, which is right after the priest himself receives. Thus beginning immediately, Holy Communion will be distributed once again during Mass itself. I am grateful for this step toward normalcy and toward a return to the celebration of Mass as we knew it before the pandemic!

Second, just a reminder for our parents of children who are of faith formation age that it is critical that you register for faith formation if you have not already done so. Even if your plan is to participate in faith formation through Zoom at home, you still need to register. This is so that we know who is participating in our program and so that we can order the correct number of religious education materials. A special thank you to our parishioners who have graciously volunteered to teach faith formation classes to our children this year!

During this time of continued uncertainty, let's take comfort in the certitude of our Savior's love for us, for that is our true refuge, our safe harbor in the storm. May God bless you and keep you close to His Heart!

Fr. Steve Laflamme