

Good morning!

There is not much to report today as we all sit back and wait for what the Archdiocese is going to tell us this coming Monday about the reopening of our churches. It is going to be more like a 'soft-opening' as many businesses do before they open their doors to the larger community. Whatever those decisions are, we need to be ready to comply. It will be a bit confusing for a while, but if we follow their plan, we will gradually get back to a point whereby we can be together again as a worshipping community. We are going to have to take 'baby-steps' for a while, just like a baby preparing to take its first step, so we must crawl before we walk!

Now this is a very important message for all parishioners. This Friday, we are having a professional company come in and sanitize the entire facility. They will be here all day and will be using chemicals to achieve this process. Thus, NO ONE MAY COME INTO THE BUILDING THIS FRIDAY, meaning no Adoration or any entrance into the building for the entire day. They told us the chemicals are strong and could cause someone to get sick if they came into the building during the cleaning.

I want to thank those who have provided food for me since my hospitalization. The meals have been like going to a gourmet restaurant and ordering off the menu! I would like to extend this for a while, as I am getting back to where I need to be with my 'tummy'. Your food has been the 'best' medicine ever. So, if you wish to do so and continue your 'meals on wheels', please let Kathy Hunt know as she has the calendar and can coordinate this for you. Most of you know that I 'love' dark chocolate, as I have had some of the 'best' brownies and other desserts that 'tickle' my fancy!

Again, I want to wish all our Moms out there a very blessed Mother's Day! What an impact our Moms have on us with their gentle touch and encouraging words. They are the ones we can go to about anything, and if we listen to their counsel, we will be amazed as to what they share with us, and how it can keep us grounded. I will offer my Mass this Sunday at 10:00 am for our Moms living and deceased, thanking them for who they are and have been to us.

Reminders: We do not have dates for First Communion or Confirmation, as we will have to wait and see when we can have larger numbers attending these sacraments. I feel we will NOT do them during the summer months, as some will be on vacation. More than likely, they will be in late September or October, depending on the numbers allowed to be at Mass. So, please be patient as we want this to happen as much as you do. But, limitations are now in place, and we have to follow those recommendations. I have been delegated by the Archbishop to confer the sacrament of Confirmation.

I encourage you to read these updates, as this is one way I can keep you informed as to what we are doing as parish during this pandemic.

You can hear this on Facebook, and now we have the text on our website.

Enjoy the rest of your day! Don't forget this is the month of Mary. Take some time to recite the rosary to honor the woman who was chosen among all women to be the Mother of God, and who shared her Son with us.