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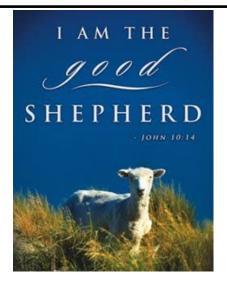
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SAINT ANNE PARISH

20 Boston Road Southborough, MA 01772

ST. ANNE PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of St. Anne Parish, Southborough, in the Diocese of Worcester are called through Baptism to become one faith family. We commit ourselves to embody the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament; by using our ministries to welcome all who are seeking Jesus and to share in the life and work of our Catholic faith. In the spirit and truth of the Holy Trinity, we will use our time, talents and treasure to answer God's command to love one another as He has loved us, in holy worship, prayer, Catechetical formation for all, evangelization and service to others.



Fourth Sunday of Easter April 25, 2021

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice."

(John 10:14-16)

When you pray, do you only ask
Jesus for the things that you want?
Do you ever ask Him what He
wants from you?
How do you listen for His
response?

Many times Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

We welcome all visitors to St. Anne Parish. If you would like to join our faith community, please call the Parish Office to register: 508-485-0141

Would you like to receive a copy of the bulletin via email every week?
Please send an email to: stanne403@stannesouthborough.org with "St. Anne Bulletin List" in the subject line.

Lord's Day Mass Schedule:

Saturday ~ 5:00 pm Sunday ~ 8:30 am, 10:30 am, and 5:30 p.m.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume in the fall.

Daily Mass Schedule: Week Day Mass

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am
First Fridays and Fridays in Lent:
9:00 am

Healing Mass:

First Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Please see Reopening Guidelines in bulletin for protocols for Sacraments.

Confessions:

Saturday ~ 4:15 pm, First Wednesday of each month ~ 6:30 - 7:00 p.m., or anytime on request

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Wednesdays: 9:30 am to 6:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Call the Parish Office to schedule a
Baptism. For the time being,
baptisms are will be celebrated
outside of Masses, rather than
during a scheduled Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage
Arrangements with a priest required
at least one year prior to the
wedding date.

Visitation of the Sick Fr. Albert is pleased to bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are unable to join us for weekly worship. Call the Parish Office to arrange a time.

PARISH MASS INFORMATION AND MINISTRIES

St. Anne Parish Livestreamed Daily and Weekend Masses

Livestreamed St. Anne Masses:

ALL St. Anne Mass offerings will now be livestreamed: 5:00 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Sunday, 5:30 p.m. Sunday, and 9:00 a.m. daily Masses through our parish website!

- Go to parish webpage: www.stannesouthborough.org.
- Scroll down to "ECatholic Live: St. Anne Southborough". See logo on right. Or click on Quick Link in box on the right of web homepage.
- Click on the arrow in the middle of the logo at 5:00 p.m. for Saturday evening Mass, 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., or 5:30 p.m. for Sunday Mass, and 9:00 a.m. for daily Masses Monday through Thursday.





An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

To be trained for a Liturgical Minister role, please call the Parish Office at 508-485-0141.

April 24 & 25 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year B

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5:00 pm	Lector	Laura Schroeder
	Communion Ministers	Debbie Simon
8:30 am	Lector	Elaine Yetman
	Communion Ministers	Doris Campero
10:30 am	Lector	Jim Garden
	Communion Ministers	Joe Cruciani
5:30 pm	Lector	Mary Beth Philbin-Hannigan

May 1 & 2 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year B

5:00 pm	Lector	Debbie Simon
	Communion Ministers	Debbie Simon
8:30 am	Lector	Nancy Denardo
	Communion Ministers	Julia Denardo Roney
10:30 am	Lector	Joe Cruciani
	Communion Ministers	Steve Buttiglieri
5:30 pm	Lector	Mary Beth Philbin-Hannigan

Baby Crib Quilts

Parishioner Sandy Callinan has sewn beautiful baby quilts blessed by Father Albert which are available in the Parish Office for sick infants and children in need of healing prayers.



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE with MASS INTENTIONS (April 24 to May 2)

Mass intention can be scheduled for those who have died, and on the occasion of a birthday, wedding anniversary, for healing, for the grace to face the challenges in life, for success in a new job, for those serving in the church and country in different levels, for world peace, in thanksgiving for blessings, etc.

To request a Mass Intention, stop in the Parish Office or call 508-485-0141.

SATURDAY 24	5:00 pm	For Father Valan (Birthday)	
SUNDAY 25	8:30 am	For Julie Deciero (33 rd Anniversary) by Pat and Nick Paganella	
	10:30 am	For the May birthday celebrants of St. Anne	
	5:30 pm	For Jane Wood (Month's Mind)	
MONDAY 26	9:00 am	For Elaine Durfee & Philomena Barboza (Healing) by Ann, Don, and Alexandra Rider	
TUESDAY 27	9:00 am	For Margaret Ann Hostage	
WEDNESDAY 28	9:00 am	For Kedar Deshpande (Healing) by Lyda and Tom Livingstone	
THURSDAY 29	9:00 am	For Jane Brossard (Healing) by Monica Shay	
SATURDAY 1	1:30 pm	For First Holy Communion children and families	
	5:00 pm	For John Callinan by Sandy Callinan and family	
SUNDAY 2	8:30 am	For the Healing Intentions for St. Anne parishioners	
	10:30 am	For Mark S. Tootalian (2 nd Anniversary) by his sister Deborah Tootalian Sanford	
	1:30 pm	For First Holy Communion children and families	
	5:30 pm	For students and teachers of St. Anne	

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

Prayer shawl members are once again meeting every Monday from 10:00 to noon in the Parish Hall knitting and crocheting for anyone who is ill or suffering who might welcome a blessed and comforting prayer shawl.

Interested in joining this ministry? Stop in the Parish Hall any Monday or call the Parish Office for more information. Do you or someone you know need a prayer shawl? Please call the Parish Office to arrange a shawl pickup or delivery. Donations collected for shawls are sent to our sister parish in Haiti to aid their rebuilding.

The Rosary portion of the Prayer Shawl Monday meetings will be live streamed via the parish website, stannesouthborough.org starting at approximately 10:30 a.m.

Password: shawls



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION



From the Desk of the Director of Religious Education



Dan Doyle



If you have not registered, please go to stannesouthborough.org or pick up a paper copy of registration forms available at the entrance to the church and in the Parish Offices.

<u>Grades 1-2 (Non-sacramental):</u> April and May RE home packets will be emailed to Grades 1-2 RE families. Parents are asked to continue reviewing all materials with their child.

Grade 2+ (2020-21 FC preparation):

April 25 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

FC Rehearsals:

Wednesday, **April 28** at 7:00 p.m. for Saturday FC Mass Thursday, **April 29** at 7:00 p.m. for Sunday FC Mass

FC Masses:

Saturday, May 1 at 1:30 p.m. for 7 FC families Sunday, May 2 at 1:30 p.m. for 7 FC families

Grades 3-5:

April 25, May 2, and May 16 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

<u>Grades 6-8:</u> April 25, May 2, and May 16 from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. (includes the 5:30 p.m. Mass)

Confirmation rehearsal for those receiving May 2021: April 25 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Confirmation Mass:

Sunday, May 16 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Cathedral

2020-21 Catechists:

- Grades 1-2 (Non-Sacramental): Pat Battles
- Grade 2+: Pat Draper & Joanne Flathers
- Grades 3&4: Laura Schroeder & Christy Williams
- ♦ Grade 5: Julia Denardo Roney
- Grades 6-8: Beth McGonagle & Rich Flathers
- ♦ Grades 9&10 (Confirmation): Dan Doyle, Steven Jacek, & Jenna Jacek

We have implemented all the necessary safety protocols:

- Children will enter the Parish Hall through the main glass doors and exit through the white door nearest the stage end of the Hall;
- Children must wear a mask from entrance to exit;
- All chairs are set 6 ft. apart;
- All classrooms will have hand sanitizer and wipes;
- Doors and windows will remain open for proper circulation of air.



Follow St. Anne Parish on Instagram and Snapchat! We will be using these apps to post photos, videos, and other **St. Anne Youth Ministry** content.

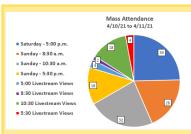


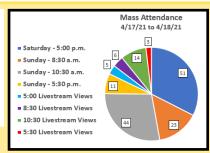
Instagram: @stanne.ym Snapchat: @stanneym

Prayers for our RCIA Candidates



God bless **Melissa Forstell** and **Roberta Hanna** who received the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. We welcome them into our faith family.

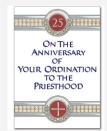




<u>4/11/2021</u>		4/18/2021	
Saturday - 5:00 p.m.	34	Saturday - 5:00 p.m.	51
Sunday - 8:30 a.m.	26	Sunday - 8:30 a.m.	23
Sunday - 10:30 a.m.	32	Sunday - 10:30 a.m.	44
Sunday - 5:30 p.m.	18	Sunday - 5:30 p.m.	11
5:00 Livestream Views	4	5:00 Livestream Views	5
8:30 Livestream Views	2	8:30 Livestream Views	6
10:30 Livestream Views	18	10:30 Livestream Views	14
5:30 Livestream Views	4	5:30 Livestream Views	3
	138		157

Father Albert's 25th Silver Jubilee

Father Albert will be celebrating the Silver Jubilee of his ordination to priesthood on **Monday, May 3, 2021**.



He will be thanking God for the gift of vocation to the Priesthood as well as for the gift of you all for your unwavering support

and prayers for these past five years.

He will celebrate an evening Mass on **Monday**, **May 3 at** 6:30 p.m. with cake and snacks in the parking lot to follow.

To sign up to register for the Mass, please click <u>here</u> or call the Parish Office at 508-485-0141.



Seminarian Summer Assignment

We will have a seminarian in our parish during this summer. His name is Christopher Kopacko and he will be arriving at St. Anne Parish by the middle of May.



Knights of Columbus Scholarship Raffle

The Knights of Columbus, "Phil Sheridan" Council #119, will be selling \$20.00 raffle tickets after Masses this weekend (**April 24/25**).

Three chances to win cash prizes!

First Prize: \$1,000.00 Second Prize: \$750.00 Third Prize: \$250.00

The drawing will take place once all tickets are sold.

After award of above drawing prizes, the remaining proceeds from the raffle go toward three (3) \$500 scholarship awards to selected local HS seniors attending college in the fall and toward one (1) \$500 scholarship award to a selected local seminarian.

Scholarship recipients are selected based on a submitted application and essay due **Friday**, **April 30**.



PARISH MINISTRIES AND STEWARDSHIP



Knights of Columbus College Scholarships

Three (3) \$500 College Scholarships will be awarded by the Knights of Columbus, "Phil Sheridan" Council #119 Scholarship Committee based upon essay submission and completed application.



See application on separate page/in church foyer for details.

Application Deadline: Friday, April 30

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Sr. Yvette, Dianne Higgins, Millie Garden, Seminarian Alex Quach, Pat Moran, Fr. Thirburse F. Millot, Katie Kulik, Elaine Arrison, Jackie Di Buono, Rachel Attaway, Matthew, Susan Cioppa, Lillian Franco, Mary Hunt, Hans, Elisabel



Borreani, Peg Nicosia, Dr. Malgorzata McMasters, Tom Livingstone, Bob Seariac, Pat Fitzgerald, Anne Meek, Paul LeDuc, Marie Martin, Sheila, Annie Lonzoria, Marilou Alvarado-Custodio, Janet Mattioli, Jane & Miles Gray, Zara Daniel (Healing), Julie Flanders, Karen, Fr. Ed, Bruce (Healing), Mike Allain, Mrs. Wallace (Holly Spicer's Mom), Reverend Deogratis Rwegassima

Want to add your name or the name(s) of others to the Prayers for the Sick listing? Please email the names to the Parish Office at stanne403@stannesouthborough.org.

(Names appearing on the list for more than a year are unposted unless a continued need is known. To have a name restored to or removed from the list, please email the Parish Office.

Partners in Charity Appeal 2021-2022



As you may know, the Partners in Charity Appeal is a lifeline for more than two dozen agencies and ministries which provide charitable, pastoral and educational services that complement what we can provide at the

parish. We help those in need, regardless of race, creed or circumstance, to find hope.

Please consider make a pledge or gift to this year's Appeal. Visit <u>partners-charity.net</u> and you can make your donation securely online and note your parish so that it is counted towards our target. You can even make your gift from a Smartphone by texting DONATE to 84576!

2021-22 Parish Goal: \$76,000.00

Amount Raised As of 4/9/21: \$94,549.00 (125% of amount goal - 97 donors)



Can we reach 100+ donors?

Preventing Child Abuse is Everyone's Responsibility

It is every adult's moral responsibility to protect possible victims (any age) by reporting suspected abuse or neglect to the responsible authorities. For help you may call: The Office for Healing and Prevention, Diocese of Worcester, at 508-929-4363. The Diocese of Worcester requires Safe Environment training for all staff and volunteers.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORTS FOR through April 18, 2021

Regular Weekly Offering:	\$3	3,631.00
Capital:		
Good Friday:		
Easter:	\$	50.00
Memorial Donation:	\$	75.00
Haiti Sister Parish:	\$	565.00

2019-2020 Financial Report available on the parish website.

Online Giving: St. Anne Parish partners with WeShare for online giving. WeShare allows both onetime gifts, as well as regular, scheduled donations. Please visit our Parish website www.stannesouthborough.org for the link to WeShare.com or call 1-800-950-9952 and use option 1 to answer any questions.

St. Anne's Website: With our website we have an additional resource for online giving and online CE registration. St. Anne Parish partners with eCatholic and BluePay for easy on-line giving. Our one-step on-line form allows both one-time gifts, as well as regular, scheduled donations. Please visit our Parish website www.stannesouthborough.org and select the Quick Link to the BluePay On-Line Giving page.

Thank you for your continued, generous support!

United Parishes of Southborough Food Pantry

On behalf of the Southborough Food Pantry a HUGE thank you to everyone who continues to support the Southborough Food Pantry. You truly put into action Christ's message to "feed the hungry" and to "give comfort to my people".

Health and Household:

- Tin Foil
- Plastic Wrap
- Dish Detergent
- ZipLock Bags
- Zest Soap

Sides/Condiments/Meats:

- Catsup
- Mayonnaise (not Miracle Whip)
- Jars of Pasta Sauce
- Cans of Tomato Sauce (plain)

- Angel Hair Pasta
- Linguini
- Chunky Peanut Butter
- Chili with no beans
- Beef Soups
- White Tuna
- Cookies

Drinks:

- Cranberry Juice (64 oz.)
- CapriSun drink pouches
- V8 (red cap)

Donations may be left in the foyer of St, Anne Parish Hall. As most food items are date sensitive, <u>please be sure that your</u> donation is not out of date.

If you know of anyone who could benefit from the Food Pantry, please encourage them to contact the Food Pantry. Safety precautions are outlined in letter on separate page.

Pantry hours (located at Pilgrim Church) for CLIENTS are Thursdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and Fridays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

PLEASE NOTE: Donations also can be left in bins outside the pantry door at Pilgrim Church anytime other than client hours listed above.

Pat Draper, St. Anne Parish Coordinator



DIOCESE INFORMATION AND EVENTS



YARD SALE at St. Andrew Bobola

When your spring cleaning is done and just when you are wondering what to do with all that useable, but unwanted 'stuff', St. Andrew's has the solution for you!

On **Saturday, April 24** St. Andrew Bobola Church, 54 West Main St., Dudley, will be renewing its annual Yard Sale.

Please call the rectory at 508-943-5633 for more information.

Virtual May Basket Raffle

Good Shepherd Parish (Linwood/Uxbridge) will be holding a virtual basket raffle throughout the month of May as an annual fundraiser to support the parish.

The raffle will include over 27 themed baskets and additional gift certificates to local merchants and establishments. Details for each basket can be found on the parish website at goodshepherdlinwood.org/mayraffle-baskets, along with a Ticket Distribution Sheet.

Tickets will be available for \$1 a piece or 6 for \$5. To comply with State and Diocesan guidelines there are two options for purchase: Tickets can be purchased by printing the Ticket Distribution sheet from the link above. The distribution sheet and check can then be mailed to Good Shepherd Parish, PO Box 517, Linwood, MA 01525. Please make checks payable to Good Shepherd Parish and include "Attention May Raffle Baskets" on the front of the envelope.

All drawings will take place on **Monday**, **May 31** and winners will be contacted by phone. All contributions are greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact May Basket Committee chairs Linda Roberts by phone (774) 280-6602 or Ann Wagstaff by email at wagstaffa473@gmail.com.

101 Ways to Evangelize: Reaching Catholics Emerging from the Pandemic

As the pandemic ends, it may be difficult for Catholics to return as active, engaged, and church-going parishioners.

Help them reconnect with the heart of the Christian message -- that God has a plan for each of us centered in Jesus Christ and the Church. Discover the many options to do this. Prayer, reflection, talk, and small group sharing.

Thursday, April 29 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Speaker: Dr. Susan Windley-Daoust, Ph.D., Author of 101 Ways to Evangelize, and Director of Missionary Discipleship, Diocese of Winona-Rochester, Minnesota.



FREE REGISTRATION (limited spaces)
Email your name and phone number to Esperanza
Oliveras, prae77group@gmail.com, by Monday, April 26
to receive the Zoom invite. Sponsored by Parish Renewal
and Evangelization Committee, Diocese of Worcester.

First Saturday Mass and Adoration in Spencer

Mary Queen of the Rosary Parish, 60 Maple Street, Spencer, will resume First Saturday Devotions.

Saturday, May 1 will be the celebration of the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker with the litany of St. Joseph following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

Exposition will follow with Benediction at noon.

All are welcome.

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Virtual Walk for the Homeless

In a blink of an eye, anything and everything can change. Please participate in the 36th

Annual *Virtual* Walk for the Homeless, **Sunday, May 16** - **Sunday, May 23**. The WALK will benefit Catholic Charities Family Shelter, Homeless Prevention programs of Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance, the Interfaith Hospitality Network, a program of Friendly House, and St. John's Food for the Poor.

For more information go to www.walkforthehomeless.org or call Ann Gibbons Smith at 774-243-3809.

Ordination 2021 Schedule

The Diocese has been delaying setting dates for the ordinations, waiting to see how the pandemic continues to develop. While we certainly pray that conditions



continue to improve, it has been decided that the best course of action is to have multiple ceremonies in the hopes that sufficient space is available for guests. The dates are:

May 15 at 10:00 a.m. - priestly ordination of Deacons Ardila and Carvajal

May 29 at 10:00 a.m. - diaconate ordination of three of our transitional deacons

May 29 at 2:00 p.m. - diaconate ordination of three of our transitional deacons

June 19 at 10:00 a.m. - priestly ordination of Deacons Larochelle and LaRoche

Information regarding seating and tickets will be available at a later date when there is a better sense of what guidelines and restrictions are in place at that time.

Diocesan Summer Volleyball League Coordinator

The Diocesan Youth Ministry Office is looking for an individual to coordinate the Diocesan summer youth ministry volleyball league. The league runs from mid-June to early August. The coordinator would be responsible for managing the league, scheduling games, communicating with teams and referees, and serving as an on-site coordinator for games one night a week.

The full job description can be found at www.neworcester.org. If interested, please contact Tim Messenger at 508-929-4360 or at tmessenger@worcesterdiocese.org by April 30.





FORMING CONSCIENCES ON COVID VACCINES What Catholics Should Know

With the increasing availability of COVID-19 vaccines, and a plethora of information from varied sources, we have a particular responsibility as Catholics to seek the truth and form our consciences. While vaccines hold promising relief from the coronavirus pandemic, not all vaccines are created equal. There are serious medical-moral questions that must be considered in order to form one's conscience so as to make the best vaccination decisions possible amidst the competing voices surrounding us.

The following are some important points about Catholic moral teaching in light of coronavirus vaccines to assist in our prayerful decision-making.

IF I DECIDE TO GET VACCINATED, DOES IT MATTER WHICH VACCINE I GET?

Not all COVID vaccines are morally equivalent. Some vaccines have a connection with fetal cells obtained from abortion. Currently, three vaccines have been approved for use in the United States. The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines do not use the aborted fetal cell line in the production of the vaccine. The Janssen/Johnson & Johnson vaccine however, does use the aborted fetal cell line in the production of their vaccine. As additional vaccines come into the market, these too will have to be evaluated with the same moral criteria.

As the Bishops of the United States have reminded us, "If one can choose among equally safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines, the vaccine with the least connection to abortion-derived cell lines should be chosen. Therefore, if one has the ability to choose a vaccine, Pfizer or Moderna vaccines should be chosen over Johnson & Johnson's."

WHAT OTHER CONSIDERATIONS GO INTO CHOOSING A VACCINE?

Medical considerations include the efficacy of the vaccines³, and the state of one's health relative to the degree of risk of coronavirus infection. Certain questions remain open, such as the effects of the vaccine on pregnant women, unborn children, fertility, and other medical factors, and even whether particular vaccines might be more appropriate for particular populations. Many of these things will not be known without further medical research. Currently, all available vaccines have been approved for temporary emergency use and there is much that is not known about their long term effects.



Those who are younger and in good health, and statistically have a lower risk of becoming seriously ill, may reasonably decline, or choose to wait until more is known about the mechanism of the vaccine, or wait until better options are available in the future. Those in more vulnerable categories, such as age and comorbidities, will have to evaluate the various factors relative to their particular state of health.

Each person must make a careful determination about whether a COVID-19 vaccination is appropriate for his or her set of circumstances, weighing carefully the medical and moral facts, and the risks and benefits.⁴

¹ For details on the use of fetal cell lines, visit the Charlotte Lozier Institute at https://lozierinstitute.org/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-covid-19-vaccine/

Statement on the Use of the Johnson & Johnson Covid-19 Vaccine, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, March 2, 2021

Recent data shows that Moderna and Pfizer vaccines are about 94-95% effective. Johnson & Johnson vaccines are about 72% effective. The duration of immunity continues to be tracked.

Fr. Tad Pacholczyk, Should We Take Whatever Vaccine is Offered?, Making Sense of Bioethics, March 9, 2021

CAN I CHOOSE WHICH VACCINE TO GET?

Because of the limitations of vaccine availability, currently each provider distributes only the brand of vaccine they have been able to obtain at any given time.

WILL I BE INFORMED ABOUT WHICH VACCINE WILL BE AVAILABLE?

Yes, most providers will tell you which vaccine will be administered before you arrive for the scheduled appointment. If it is not on the registration page, it may be included in a confirmation email or text message. While vaccination providers may not have all vaccine options available simultaneously, it would be wise, if possible, to ask for either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, when making a vaccination appointment.

CAN I REFUSE TO GET A PARTICULAR VACCINE?

Yes. You can always refuse to take a particular vaccine, and if you do so, be sure to let your provider know why. It is always important to weigh your decision with an informed Catholic conscience relative to your own medical circumstances. Deciding about vaccines is a complex choice which must be discerned carefully in light of each individual's health situation.

HOW CAN WE ENCOURAGE HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES TO RESPECT CATHOLIC MORAL TEACHING?

Most healthcare providers do not even realize that the Johnson & Johnson vaccine is produced using aborted fetal cell lines. Patients should, therefore, thoughtfully and respectfully voice their concerns to their healthcare providers and to pharmaceutical companies. If more people speak up it will help to encourage the production and use of ethical alternatives.⁵

Contact information of vaccine manufacturers and sample letters advocating for the ethical production of vaccines are available at: www.usccb.org/resources/letters-pharmaceutical-companies.

CAN VACCINES BE MANDATED?

The Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith recently noted, "Practical reason makes evident that vaccination is not, as a rule, a moral obligation and that, therefore, it must be voluntary." Each individual has the right to accept or decline a vaccine.



WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

More detailed information from reliable sources, including the Holy See, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and The National Catholic Bioethics Center can be found on our vaccine resource page at www.worcesterdiocese.org/vaccines.

The U.S. Bishops wrote to the Commissioner of the FDA in April 2020 in the early days of the pandemic asking the FDA to help ensure "that Americans will have access to vaccines that are free from any connection to abortion" and pointed out that there is no need to use morally compromised cell lines to produce a COVID-19 vaccine, or any vaccine. Other cell lines or processes that do not involve cells from abortions are available and are regularly being used to produce other vaccines. (USCCB, Maral Considerations Regarding the New COVID-19 Vaccines, December 2020)

Note on the Morality of Using Some Anti-Covid-19 Vaccines, Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, December 2020

Vaccines and Conscience Protection – Joint Statement of the Catholic Medical Association, American College of Pediatricians, Christian Medical and Dental Association, and National Association of Catholic Nurses https://www.cathmed.org/vaccines-and-conscience-protection/

READINGS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B

READING I Acts 4:8-12

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said:
"Leaders of the people and elders:
If we are being examined today
about a good deed done to a cripple,
namely, by what means he was saved,
then all of you and all the people of Israel should
know

that it was in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead; in his name this man stands before you healed.

He is the stone rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone.

There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever.

It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.

It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in princes.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

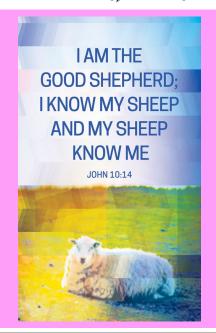
R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD; we bless you from the house of the LORD.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have been my savior.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his kindness endures forever.

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.



READING II 1 John 3:1-2

A reading from the First Letter of St. John

Beloved:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are.

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him.

for we shall see him as he is.

The Word of the Lord.



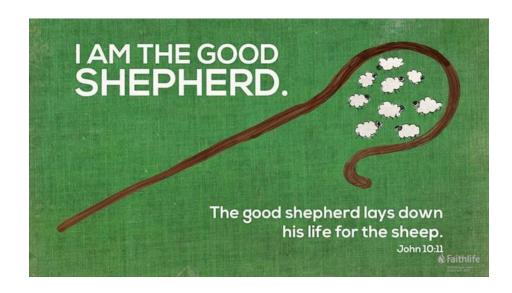
John 10:14

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B



GOSPEL John 10:11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said:

"I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

A hired man, who is not a shepherd

and whose sheep are not his own,

sees a wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away,

and the wolf catches and scatters them.

This is because he works for pay and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd,

and I know mine and mine know me,

just as the Father knows me and I know the Father;

and I will lay down my life for the sheep.

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold.

These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice,

and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

This is why the Father loves me,

because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own.

I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again.

This command I have received from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.



No One Forces Him

Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year B April 25, 2021 Ann Naffziger

Reading I: Acts 4:8-12

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29

Reading II: 1 John 3:1-2 Gospel: John 10:11-18

In Jesus' time and culture, raising sheep was such a common vocation that it was easy for Jesus' listeners to identify with metaphors about sheep, flocks, and shepherds. Many stories, parables, psalms, and commandments in the Old Testament

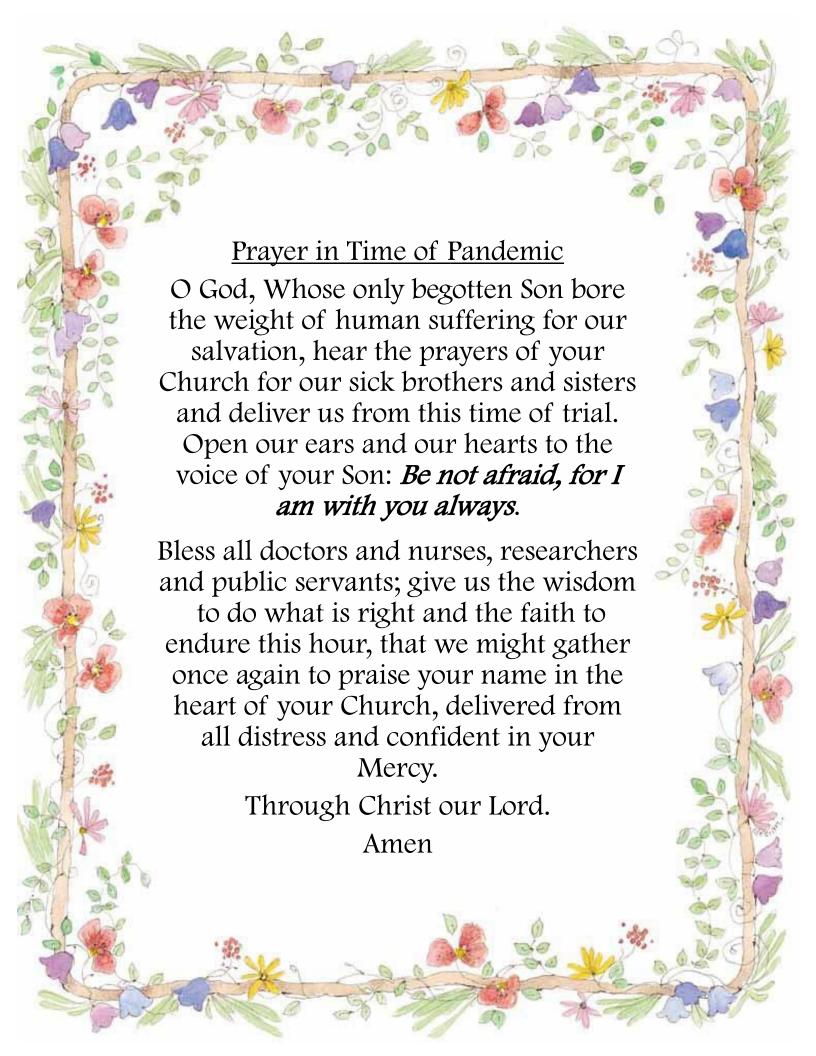
revolved around sheep and shepherds. You might think here of Psalm 23: "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want..."

Jesus also told stories of sheep. The parable of the shepherd who left 99 sheep in order to search out the one lost sheep is one of the most famous. In that story, Jesus equated God with the shepherd who did everything in his power to bring the lost sheep safely home. In today's gospel, Jesus is even more direct. He identifies himself as the ultimate good shepherd who is willing to die in order to protect the sheep. He is clearly equating himself (the Good Shepherd) with the Father who is also the best of shepherds.

Jesus' main point here is that he is willing to voluntarily sacrifice his own life for his sheep. No one forces him to be crucified. In fact, during the Passion reading in John's Gospel, John makes it clear that Jesus could get himself out of his predicament if he wanted to; in short, he does not have to die. If Jesus escaped, however, he would be like nothing more than a hired hand who runs away when he sees a wolf coming for the flock. Jesus tells us ahead of time that he is willing to stand fast, and that he will not abandon his sheep, even if it means he will die for them.

Questions of the Week

- 1. What occupations in today's world offer the chance for people to lay down their lives for others?
- 2. In whatever your life situation is (paid work, a stay-at-home parent, a retired person, etc.) how are you called to lay down your life for others?



Application Form for the

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SOUTHBOROUGH, MA

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Awarded to graduating high school seniors who are members of the Southborough Catholic Community (St. Matthew or St. Anne Parish) who plan to attend an institution of higher learning in the Fall of 2021.

Name:	Phone #:
Address:	
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2 or 4 year College or University you plan to attend:	:

Three scholarships awarded each worth: \$500

Choose and answer one of the following questions in a **double spaced, one page** response. Please note which question you chose at the top of your essay.

- 1. How has your involvement with the Catholic Church changed the lives of yourself and others?
- 2. Who in your life inspires you to put your Catholic faith into practice and what examples can you provide?
- 3. How do you plan to serve God and the Catholic Church both in college and beyond?

In addition to the application and essay, please also submit the following:

One letter of recommendation from an adult regarding the applicant's character.

To receive this award the student must:

- 1. Be an active member of St. Matthew or St. Anne Parish in Southborough, MA.
- Be accepted at and plan to attend an institution of higher learning in the Fall of 2021.
- Submit a completed application form with essay and letter of recommendation by the deadline below.

Completed application must be received by Friday, April 30th 2021.

Please mail to: Knights of Columbus Scholarship Committee

1 Main Street Southborough, MA 01772

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United Parishes of Southborough, Inc. Food Pantry

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southboroughfoodpantry@gmail.com 508-485-4847

Dear Food Pantry Clients,

In this changing environment, due to the increased impact of the Corona Virus, we are once again implementing a new procedure effective immediately for your safety as well as the safety of all our volunteers. We will continue this procedure as long as we are able.

The **latest** schedule for the Southborough Food Pantry will be: Thursday evenings from 6:30-7:30 p.m. (Clients only, please!) Friday mornings from 9:30-10:30 a.m. (Clients only, please!) Please note: we **will not** be open on Tuesday evenings.

By <u>4 p.m.</u> on Wednesdays, please provide us by e-mail (southboroughfoodpantry@gmail.com) a list of your needs, being as specific as possible. Give us a preference for the meat you would like. We will fill it if we have it or when you pick up your order, we will offer you an alternative meat selection. If you do not have access to an e-mail, please call us at 508-485-4847, wait for the Pantry prompt and then leave your name and phone number. We will call you back to get your order.

NEW! When you come to the Pantry on Thursday evening or Friday morning, please stay in your car. Someone will direct you where to park. Masks are required from this point on. When directed, get out of your car and go into Fellowship Hall. Follow the arrows inside to look at the selections and get your grocery bags which will be on a cart. Take your cart with all your groceries to your car. Return the cart to the Pantry person outside. All carts will be sanitized before use by the next person. **If you do not feel safe coming inside at this time, we will bring your groceries out to you.

IMPORTANT: This pick up service is for all clients unless you are sick or personally unable to get to the Pantry. For these clients, we will deliver to your outside door or patio.

We thank all of you for your cooperation. We pray that the impact of this virus will quickly come to an end.

Sincerely,

The Food Pantry Coordinators

Please keep these times for Pantry Clients only. Donations can be made at any other time by leaving items in bins by the pantry door at Pilgrim Church (or at local parish collection sites). Please secure donation bin lid, especially during inclement weather.

SOUTHBOROUGH YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

we are still here to serve

While our building is closed to the public, SYFS is still available to the residents of Southborough.

Our need-based services are here to help all families affected by Covid-19. If you are worried about a bill, heat, a car payment or food, our Emergency Fund may be able to help you.

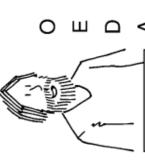
For more resources, check our website: https://www.southboroughtown.com/youthand-family-services

For questions about how to apply for help, please call/text Shannon at (978) 310-1182 or email skinayman@southboroughma.com





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April 25, 2021 • John 10:11-18 Jesus, the Good Shepherd Ages 7+

Jesus says He is the Good Shepherd. What does He say that means?

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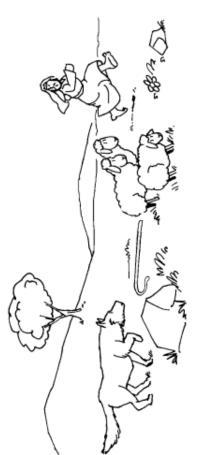
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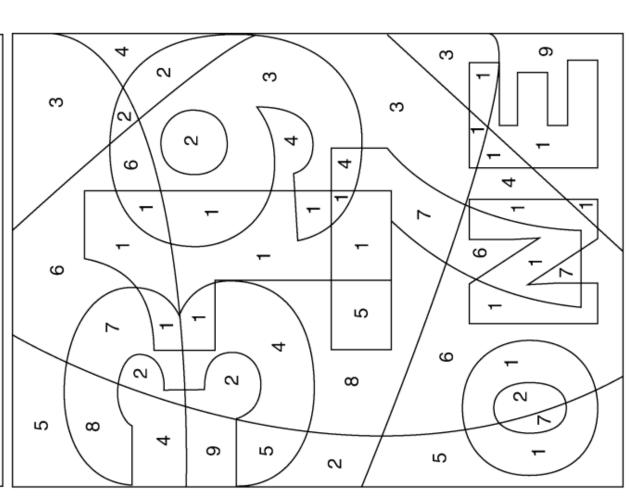


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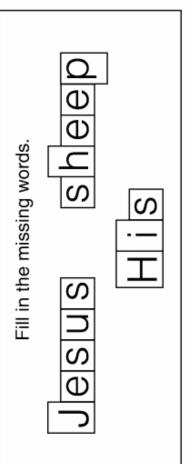
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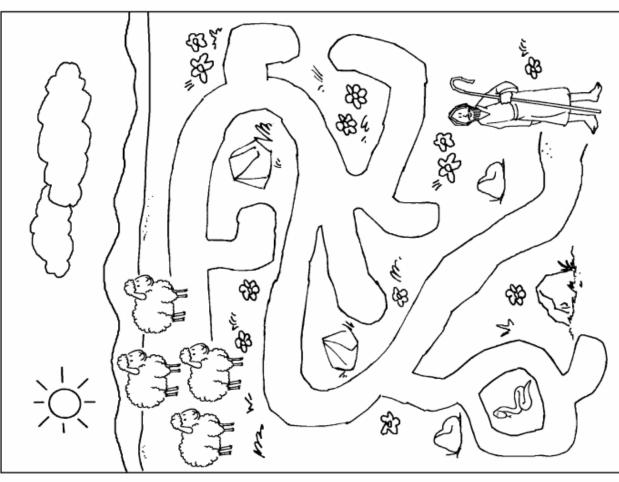
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We are Jesus' sheep.





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The Good Shepherd cares for His sheep.

Help the sheep follow the Good Shepherd.



St. Anne Response to Phase One of the Reopening

St. Anne Parish is committed to the health and well-being of our people and community. Please find the guidelines that are intended for use in the first phase of lifting the suspension on public celebrations of the Sacred Liturgy, as announced by Bishop McManus on May 18, 2020. (*Updated 3/2/21*)

Restriction on the size of Public Gatherings: In his updated order of March 2021 Governor Baker mandated a strict limitation of fifty percent of the building occupancy permit of any public gathering, an increase from the twenty-five percent mandated in February. Any public celebration of the Liturgy or public devotions should be limited to fifty percent of the capacity of the church, as recorded on the occupancy permit, including liturgical ministers, the faithful and all support personnel. Keeping this fifty percent policy in mind, our church can hold only 100 parishioners. Given spacing issues for social distancing, once there are 50 parishioners in the church, an usher will direct the faithful to the Parish Hall abiding by the same restrictions in the church.

Continuing Suspension of the Sunday Obligation: Because older adults and those with underlying health conditions continue to be advised to avoid public assemblies, <u>the suspension of the obligation</u> to attend Mass on Sundays has been extended to the Solemnity of Pentecost, May 23, 2021.

Protocol Education: Parishioners will be reminded of the continuing necessity of social distancing and what they is expect when they return to church with the appropriate educational materials in the form of bulletin inserts, Flocknote, social media and parish websites. There will be reminders at the start of the Masses too.

THE CHURCH BUILDING

Holy Water: All standing Holy Water will be removed from all fonts. Small individual bottles of Holy Water might be appropriately provided for parishioners at their request. Holy Water is also kept in larger closed container in front of the altar, from which the faithful might draw a personal supply.

Hymnals and Missalettes: Hymnals and Missalettes are removed from the pews and are stored for possible future use. Please use online sources for the daily readings, etc. which may be accessed on their cell phone.

Marking the Floor: The floor will be marked with removable tape at six-foot intervals approaching all communion stations and approaching the rest rooms in the parish hall.

Cleaning: Pew backs and surfaces in bathrooms will be disinfected after every Mass. Door handles and other surfaces will also be disinfected daily. Parish staff will disinfect the church buildings after each Mass with a fogger machine.

PEOPLE ARRIVING AT CHURCH

Masks and Social Distancing: All members of the congregation should be masked and required to observe a minimum of a six-foot social distance. Liturgical ministers are not masked, except for the isolated instances noted below. People with medical/disabling conditions are exempted. We request them to go to the cry room or foyer at the main entrance of the church. It is mainly to avoid the unnecessary anxieties that would create among other parishioners.

Seating: In order to promote social distancing, we have taped every other pew. As you enter the church, you will notice blue taped pews which should not be occupied. Please occupy the ones that has small blue square tape. We recommend that only three people should be seated in a pew, unless it is a family.

Ushers: We would like to have two ushers for every Mass and would appreciate if you could volunteer. We hope to have younger and healthier parishioners. Their tasks would be:

- Wear a mask and assure that everyone entering the church has a mask or other suitable face covering;
- Direct those entering the Church to observe social distancing;
- At the time for Distribution of Holy Communion, direct communicants to leave their pews one row at a time while observing the requisite social distancing.

One Entrance: There will be only one entrance to the church in order to reduce the overflow of parishioners. The door near the ramp will be open and all other doors will be locked.

THE MASS

Singing: A cantor and organist may lead the music. No congregational singing is allowed, with the exception of the Gospel Acclamation, Sanctus, Memorial Acclamation, Great Amen and Agnus Dei. The Opening and Closing music are instrumental or sung only by the cantor/organist. All the other parts of the Mass are recited.

Seating of Liturgical Ministers: Liturgical ministers should be seated at a minimal distance of six feet from each other. The first pew in front of the ambo is reserved for lectors and Extra ordinary ministers. Please find acnearby seat if someone comes with a wheel chair.

Processions: Entrance and recessional processions will be suspended. The Priest will be entering the sanctuary directly from the sacristy.

Collection: Instead of passing collection baskets, please place your weekly donations in the basket, kept near the entrance of the church.

Offertory Procession; The offertory procession is suspended.

Preparation of the Gifts: The priest will take care of the preparation of gifts. In case we have altar servers, they will be asked to keep a social distance of six-foot. Servers bringing the gifts to the Priest or washing the hands at the lavabo should wear a mask. This is the only time during the Mass when the servers will wear a mask.

Reception of Holy Communion in the church: Hand sanitizer will be kept in the middle of the church, approximately at the fourth pew near the sanctuary. As each person leaves their pew to come for Communion, use the hand sanitizer to sanitize one's hands before receiving Holy Communion.

Reception of Holy Communion in the Parish Hall: The extra ordinary minister will bring Holy Communion to you and so you do not need to stand in queue. The usher will give you the hand sanitizer before you receive Holy Communion.

All Physical Contact Avoided: The invitation to exchange the Sign of Peace and the shaking of hands with parishioners at the end of Mass are suspended.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Both Species: The distribution of the Precious Blood to all is suspended.

Communion on the Tongue: We encourage all the parishioners to receive Holy Communion on their hands. If someone still wishes to receive on the tongue, the priest and extra ordinary ministers will **not** refuse.

Ministers of Holy Communion: Priests and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be masked but not gloved. They will use hand sanitizer before and after the distribution of Holy Communion;

During the Distribution of Holy Communion: While the distribution of Holy Communion takes place in the usual manner, care should be taken to avoid all contact with the hands or tongue of the communicant. To this end, a small table should be placed in front of the altar with an unfolded corporal and a bottle of hand sanitizer. Whenever the minister of Holy Communion senses that he/she has touched the hand or tongue of a communicant he/she stops immediately, places the ciborium on the corporal, purifies his/her fingers, and returns to the distribution of Holy Communion.

Cleansing Vessels: All Communion Vessels should be thoroughly washed after each Mass once they have been purified.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

The Sacrament of Confession: Traditional confessionals are unsafe due to the closeness of the Priest and penitent separated only by a grill not designed to prevent virus transmission. Likewise, the transmission of the virus from one penitent to another is possible via the surfaces touched and the dangers from aerosolization of the virus in a small space. The small size of most "Rooms of Reconciliation" present similar potential dangers. We will use our **cry room** as confessional room for time being. If the weather is good, we might have it near the ramp of our parish office. Whether the confession is heard in the cry room or near the ramp, both priest and penitent should wear a mask or face covering. The confession should not last longer than **three to five minutes**, in order to limit exposure of both Priest and penitent.

The confession will be heard from 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm on Saturdays and from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. on first Wednesdays. You are welcome to call and make appointment at any other time.

Anointing of the Sick: The priest will begin to return to administering the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to their parishioners. He will discuss with the person or family with regard to Covid+ and non-Covid+ patients before going to anoint.

Funerals: Funeral Masses may be celebrated with the same restrictions as for any Mass, including the appropriate provisions for social distancing and liturgical adaptations. The family should be seated by the Funeral Director upon arriving in Church. Only 50 people are allowed to attend the funeral. If there are more than 50 people, the Parish Hall will be set up with closed circuit TV.

Weddings: The Sacrament of Matrimony may be celebrated with the same restrictions as for any Mass, including the appropriate provisions for social distancing and liturgical adaptations. Only 50 people are allowed to attend the wedding. The Parish Hall will also be available.

Baptisms: Only individual Baptisms may be celebrated with a prudent limitation on the number of people present and the requisite considerations for social distancing. All rites should take place with the family remaining in the pew, with the exception of the moment of Baptism, when either the parents or godparents approach the font while carrying the child and then, after the explanatory rites, return to their pew. All who are present wear masks throughout, with the exception of the Priest and the child to be baptized. Only 50 people are allowed to attend the baptism. All baptisms will be celebrated **outside** of the Mass until further notice.

Confirmations: Our Religious Education Director and Confirmation teachers await from the diocese the date and protocol for the Confirmation Mass in the spring of 2021. Updates will be provided to families as soon as verified. Retreat plans will be sent out to families as soon as possible taking into account best health practices.

First Holy Communion: Our Religious Education Director and First Holy Communion teachers are in constant discussion about the scheduling of First Holy Communion Mass(es) in the spring of 2021. We will update plan taking into account family input and best health practices.

Adoration on Wednesdays: We have resumed Holy Hour on Wednesdays. Signup is located in the church foyer bulletin board. The revised hours are from the conclusion of daily Mass until 6:00 p.m.

Parish office will be open: The Parish Office will be open from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Thursday and from 9:30 am to noon on Fridays. Please remember to wear a face covering and to follow social distancing rules. We encourage our parishioners to come and be seated in the couch placed at the entrance of the Parish Office rather than walking in to the secretary's office.

Seminarian for pastoral exposure: We anticipate having a seminarian for the summer of 2021 to have pastoral exposure. Any updates will be posted in the bulletin and in the parish website.

Masses: We have regular Mass at 9:00 am from Monday to Thursday. We will accommodate only 50 parishioners for the weekday Mass. We also have weekend Masses: Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am, and 5:30 pm. The 5:00 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses will continue to be livestreamed.

Live Streaming: Regular Masses and Weekend Masses will still be live streamed and so our parishioners who are unable to participate in the Eucharist physically, will be able to have spiritual participation.



Additional Questions on Phase I Re-Opening

In the course of the first week of reopening, priests and other pastoral leaders have worked assiduously to faithfully implement the guidelines mandated by Bishop McManus in his decree of May 18, 2020. As many of these priests have also sought the guidance of the Office for Divine Worship in implementing these guidelines, the following clarifications are offered for the benefit of our readers.

Should bulletins be distributed at the end of Mass?

Epidemiologists caution against the distribution of printed materials to the faithful at Mass. The risk if such materials are left on a table or in a box is that repeated accidental contact with surfaces may leave traces of the virus. The risk if ushers pass out bulletins at the end of Mass stems from the additional violation of social distance between the usher and members of the Congregation and the interruption of an ordered and socially distant exit from the Church. Therefore, we continue to distribute bulletins by emails only. If you would like to receive a bulletin, please inform the office.

How should hosts for the faithful be safely consecrated?

A ciborium or other vessel with hosts for distribution to the faithful should be placed on a corporal at some distance from the breath of the celebrant. The ciborium should be covered with a pall except from the epiclesis through the words of consecration.

Is the true maximum capacity of a Church always forty percent of building capacity? No. The true maximum capacity should be the number of seats possible while maintaining a minimal social distance of six feet up to a maximum of forty percent of building capacity.

Can the family provide readers for funerals?

Reservations concerning the use of readers or other ministers seated in the congregation grow from the repeated contact with surfaces on the pew and ambo. Priests may choose to discourage ministers from sitting in the congregation or find a way to wipe down the pew and ambo immediately after their service is completed.

