St. Michael the Archangel

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Dear Parish Family,

What an impressive Mother's Day celebration we had last Sunday. Even though we continue to have restrictions placed on us in regards to gatherings, Moms' special day was still great and awesome. Mothers in the pews together with members family, heads bowed in prayer, and a few with corsages pinned on their outfits, and for another Mother, simply a rose held in one hand. Mother is truly special!

We also recognized and honored our heavenly Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary by placing a crown of flowers on her head. I would like to thank the Women of St Michael's for sponsoring and organizing this crowning!

On a different note, a few parishioners have asked me how long are we going to continue to social distance ourselves and wear a mask now that many have been vaccinated? I am sure that is a question on most parishioner's minds. And believe me, I ask that same question too. I have heard that other dioceses are removing the roped areas in their churches along with the social distancing requirement and allow for optional use of face masks. Personally, I feel very uncomfortable wearing a mask when I preach and celebrate mass with you. I think we all want to return to normal. I am also sure that the archdiocese is really looking into this seriously and cautiously and trying to find the best way for the good of everyone.

So for the time being I am trying to be a little more patient and I ask the same of you. And let us continue to pray for the end of this adversity.

Thank you!

Peace,

Fr. Dwight

P.S. The KC drive-thru food drive for the SVdP Pantry will be <u>NEXT</u> Wednesday, May 19 from 4 - 6pm.