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The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 16, 2020
Dear Parishioners of St. James Parish

As we move forward:

Public worship at St. James Church will continue observing all the safety measures that are deemed appropriate by state, church and health officials. As a reminder I will list

* To assist in prayerful social distancing we have taped off every other pew. So a pew that is taped off is one that you should not enter. This is to give space and distance between the worshipers.

* The number of people that will be allowed to enter St. James Church for a mass has been set at 150 people.

* All parishioners will be required to enter St. James Church through the center front door. Parishioners may exit by any door but entrance is only by the center front door. We will have hand sanitizing dispensers at the vestibule of St. James Church for parishioners use. Parishioners may also use their own personal hand sanitizing solution, but all parishioners will be expected to sanitize their hands immediately upon entry to the St. James Church.

* Please remember that Bishop Tobin has continued to dispense everyone in the Diocese of Providence from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Day Masses until further notice. So if you are hesitant due to underlying health conditions to attend or display any symptoms you should not attend the celebration of Mass at St. James.

* Parishioners are asked and encouraged to wear a face mask for the duration of the celebration of Mass, with the exception of receiving Holy Communion.

* During this time of the COVID-19 pandemic all worship aids such as hymnals, missalettes, bulletins have all been removed from the church. We ask that you leave no items in the church. If you bring it in please take it with you. If you would like a missalette, please contact Robin at the St. James Parish Office at (401) 766-1558. Missalettes will be yours to keep whether you take it back and forth with you to mass or keep it at home for our live-streaming masses.

* Please remember that we continue to live stream all our celebrations of Mass on the St. James Faith Formation Facebook page. Also keep in mind that it is not necessary to receive Holy Communion at every Mass. If you are concerned or apprehensive about receiving, then please enter into a ‘spiritual communion’ with the Lord.

Rev. Thomas J. Ferland

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Welcome back ...

We are so happy to see so that so many of you are continuing to join us for the live celebration of mass and hope that more of you will be able to join us in the near future!

For those who are unable to return in person at this time, please know that we are still live-streaming the masses on our Facebook page.

St. James Weekend Mass Times:
Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 10:00am

St. James Weekday Mass Times:
Tuesday and Thursday 8:30am

Social distancing does not mean that we need to be spiritually apart...

Let's keep our parishioners connected especially during these uncertain times.

Make a phone call - Send a text Facetime - Have a Zoom meeting Send a card or letter

Just reach out. Everyone needs to stay connected!

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We offer our prayerful condolences and sympathy to the family of

Susan Menoche

who passed away on May 5, 2020.
A mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. James Church on August 10, 2020

“Let us not abandon them until by our prayers we conduct them into the house of the Lord.”
- St. Ambrose

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Prayer for Healing from Coronavirus

-Pope Francis

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.
You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father’s will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

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The videos will be posted for later viewing at…

St. James Office of Faith Formation
Sunday, August 23, 2020
The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 a.m.  Pro Populo

Dr. Diane Dubois-Hall
Requested by Mom and Dad

Raymond Kiernan
Requested by Claire and Denise Leclerc

Daily Mass Readings

August 17, 2020 to August 23, 2020

Monday: Ez 24: 15-23: Deut 32: 18-19, 20, 21; Mt 19: 16-22


Wednesday: Ez 34: 1-11; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 20: 1-16

Thursday: Ez 36: 23-28; Ps 51: 12-13, 14-15, 16-18; Mt 22: 1-14

Friday: Ez 37: 1-14; Ps 107: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 22: 34-40

Saturday: Ez 43: 1-7ab, Ps 85: 9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Mt 23: 1-12

Sunday: Is 22: 19-23; Ps 138: 1-2, 2-3, 6, 8; Rom 11: 33-36; Mt 16: 13-20

If you would like a missalette, please contact Robin at the St. James Parish Office at (401) 766-2740. Missaltes will be yours to keep whether you take it back and forth with you to mass or keep it at home for our live-stream mass.

The church doors are open at St. James Church from 8:00am - 2:00pm daily for individual prayer.

Please remember to practice social distancing when you visit.

Weekly Collections

Week of August 9, 2020

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As always, thank you for your continued generosity during this difficult and challenging time! We depend solely upon your weekly support to meet our weekly parish expenses.

We encourage you to continue to mail in your budget envelopes and other special collection contributions during this time.

This is also a great time to consider On-Line Giving. Please visit our website and the link to sign up for On-Line Giving.

On your budget, consider adding: Weekly Line Giving...

How do I make a Spiritual Communion?

Below are recommendations for how to make a ‘spiritual communion’ when unable to participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. These are only recommendations and can always be adapted based upon personal needs.

Gather with others in your household and begin a time of prayer with the sign of the cross.

Take time to read and reflect upon the readings from Sunday Mass. The readings are available at usccb.org and a Sunday Gospel reflection can be found at the same website or during Lent at dioceseofprovidence.org.

Share prayer intentions quietly or aloud.

Pray the Lord’s Prayer.

Pray the following prayer of spiritual communion (see below).

Close with the sign of the cross.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

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 in 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.

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Some suggestions...

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The Search

What is this journey in between the event we call “birth” and the one we call “death”? Is the journey taking you somewhere, or are you leading yourself to some kind of destination? A destination that could extend beyond your last breath? What do you want from your life during the in-between? The questions are there. And, the answers are too.

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Returning to Mass in time of COVID-19

"We don't know the details of the future, but we know that our lives will not end in emptiness and frustration ... Because we have hope, we live differently. Because of our hope, we will learn from the past, and will embrace the future with a renewed confidence and a joyful, invincible spirit."

—Most Rev. Thomas J. Tobin, D.D., Bishop of Providence

The advent of the novel coronavirus has marked our community substantially over the past two months. Whether directly succumbing to the disease it causes, or experiencing its far-reaching economic and emotional effects, all of us have been affected in some way. In an effort to protect the health and safety of our local communities, especially vulnerable populations, Bishop Tobin suspended the public celebration of Mass in March. This was a painful, but necessary decision in view of the common good. As the state begins its phased approach to re-open sectors of our community, the public celebration of Mass will resume on May 30, 2020, the Vigil of the Solemnity of Pentecost. This is a joyous moment for our local Church as we gather again as the Body of Christ. Resuming the public celebration of Mass will look differently than before, given the recommendations of health experts. The following points highlight some of these changes.

1. Catholics will continue to be dispensed from Sunday Mass and Holy Day Masses

While public Masses will resume, vulnerable populations, the elderly, and those with underlying health conditions are asked to follow the most up to date health regulations and remain at home. There are many who might feel uncomfortable returning to Mass. They, too, have legitimate reason to remain at home. Bishop Tobin has extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Day Masses until further notice.

2. Access to Mass will be limited

In order to prevent risk of infection, attendance at Mass will be limited to a percentage of the church’s capacity as specified in the fire code. Some parishes will request a "reservation" or ticket system, or find ways to split up parishioners alphabetically in as equitable a manner as possible.

3. Hand hygiene and masks are key

Parishioners will be expected to sanitize their hands immediately upon entry to the church. Likewise, they must wear a mask at all times, with the exception of receiving Holy Communion.

4. Pews will be sectioned off

In order to maintain six feet distance between parishioners, parishes will mark off sections of pews where parishioners can safely sit.

5. Singing will be limited

Because of the risk of infection due to increased aerosolized particles, singing must be limited. Hymnals will be removed from churches.

6. Parishioners will receive Holy Communion in a safe manner

Parishioners will take off their masks to receive Holy Communion, but the priest or other minister may wear a mask when distributing Holy Communion. The priest or other minister will always sanitize his hands before this time, and whenever he accidentally comes into contact with a person. Parishioners are encouraged to receive Holy Communion on the hand; but another option would be to refrain from receiving Holy Communion and make an act of spiritual communion instead.

7. The church will be sanitized after every Mass

To ensure everyone’s safety, parish staff or volunteers will sanitize commonly touched surfaces and pews before and after every celebration of Mass.

8. Budget envelopes will be submitted prior to Mass or as you leave

Instead of “passing the basket,” a secure receptacle should be available so parishioners can drop off their budget envelopes before or after Mass.

9. Avoid personal contact with anyone

The sign of peace remains suspended; physical contact must be avoided at all costs.

10. Those who are sick must stay home

Anyone who has symptoms of any sickness (even mild symptoms) may not attend the public celebration of Mass.