

ROADMAP TO REOPENING

May 2020—Message from Fr. Dennis

It has been a long time since we have been together in person as a family. I know many of you have struggled physically, emotionally, and financially over the past several weeks. Know that my prayers are with you.

We have prepared a roadmap to reopening as we wait in hope for the time we can once again celebrate Mass together. We will comply with the directives from the archdiocese as they pertain to our parish and church configuration. Below are some questions you might be asking, and the information that we are able to share with you as of today.

When will we be able to attend Mass?

The Archbishop has indicated May 30/31 as the first weekend public Masses can be held, but keep in mind this is a fluid situation.

How will you ensure a safe and sanitary environment?

In compliance with the Archbishop's directives:

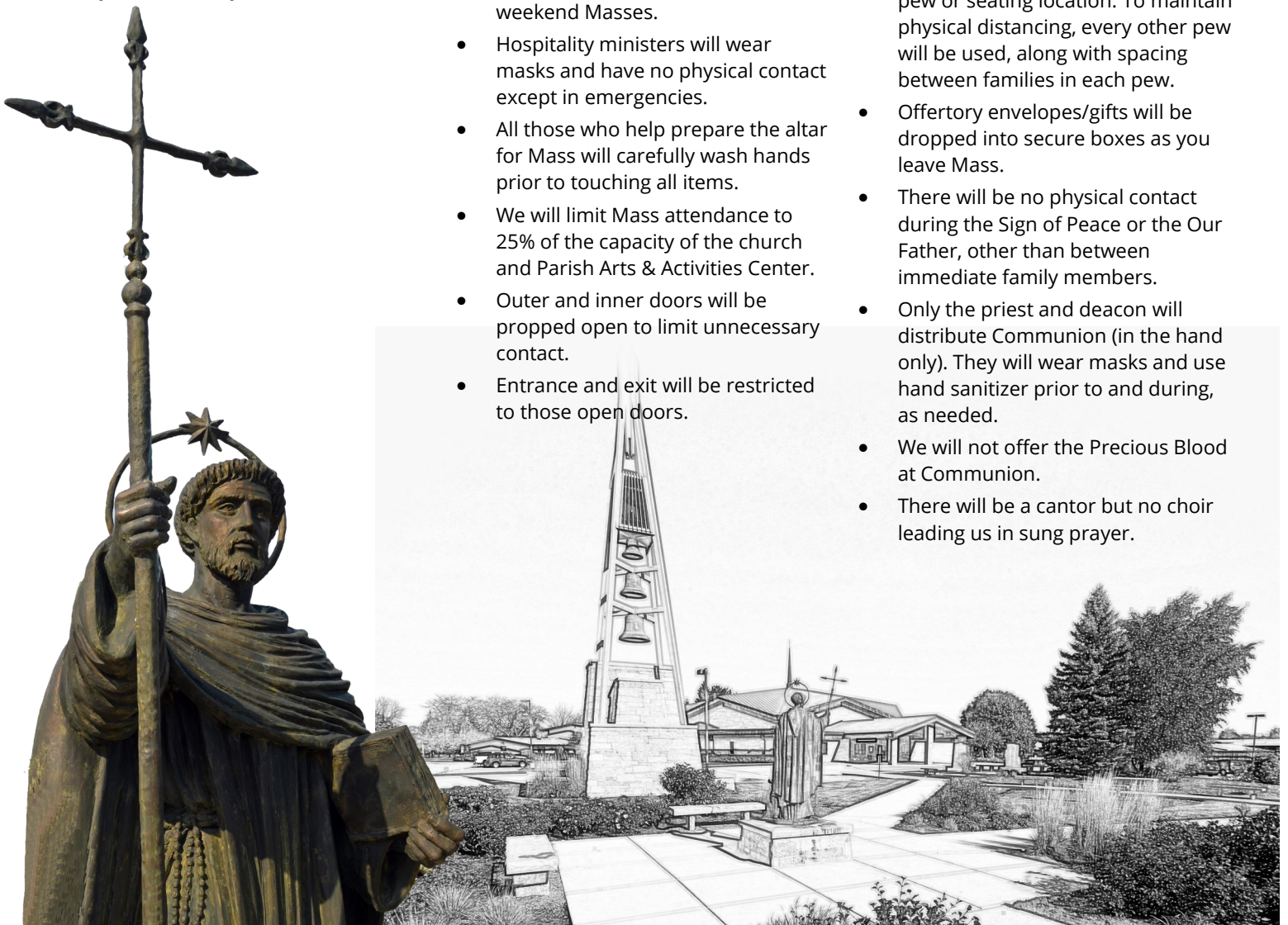
- Hand sanitizer will be available at key locations.
- We will sanitize pews and public areas frequently touched after weekend Masses.
- Hospitality ministers will wear masks and have no physical contact except in emergencies.
- All those who help prepare the altar for Mass will carefully wash hands prior to touching all items.
- We will limit Mass attendance to 25% of the capacity of the church and Parish Arts & Activities Center.
- Outer and inner doors will be propped open to limit unnecessary contact.
- Entrance and exit will be restricted to those open doors.

VIDEO TOUR

Watch for a live video tour with Fr. Dennis of what to expect when you come back to church.

How will the Mass experience be different?

- You will be seated by a hospitality minister by rows, without choice of pew or seating location. To maintain physical distancing, every other pew will be used, along with spacing between families in each pew.
- Offertory envelopes/gifts will be dropped into secure boxes as you leave Mass.
- There will be no physical contact during the Sign of Peace or the Our Father, other than between immediate family members.
- Only the priest and deacon will distribute Communion (in the hand only). They will wear masks and use hand sanitizer prior to and during, as needed.
- We will not offer the Precious Blood at Communion.
- There will be a cantor but no choir leading us in sung prayer.



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The obligation to attend Mass is suspended until at least July 5, 2020.

- We will either not have Orders of Worship, or provide a one-time use single sheet aid. All other items will be removed from the pews.
- Holy Water fonts, including the Baptismal font, will remain empty.

As a parishioner, how can I help?

- Do not attend Mass if you feel ill or are uncomfortable attending.
- Stay home if you are over 70 or have a compromised immune system.
- White onsite, keep a 6 foot distance between you and others not in your immediate family.
- Wear a face mask if you are comfortable doing so.
- Follow all instructions given by the Hospitality Ministers.

How long will you continue to provide online Masses and ministry?

Minimally, we will continue to provide online Masses and ministry as long as the obligation to attend Mass is suspended. However, we envision continuing beyond that date if we have the resources and funding to do so.

ATTENDANCE

Our goal is to have any one who wishes to attend Mass be able to do so. We will continue to evaluate our attendance numbers and options each week.

What have you already done to clean and sanitize our facilities?

- The fabric in all the pews have been steam cleaned.
- All carpets and tile floors in the church have been steamed cleaned.
- The school classrooms have been cleaned and disinfected.

How can we make our offertory gifts if we are not attending Mass?

- **Give online.** The online giving web page allows you to set up automatic recurring gifts using your debit or credit card, checking, or savings account and to view your complete online giving history. Visit stdominic.net

- **Download the Give+ App.** Download for free from the App Store or Google Play. Simple search for "GivePlus Church" to quickly find and download the app today. If you already have an account set up through one of our other online giving options, use your existing login and password so you can manage and review all your online giving history.
- **Text to Give.** Text giving is fast, easy, and versatile. Make your weekly offering or respond to special appeals - all in a matter of seconds. Easy card registration on your phone
- Option to make your gifts recurring **To give, text the dollar amount to 833.251.1703.**
- Mail in your contribution envelope or drop it off at the Parish Center

