



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

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Collaborating with Mother of Good Counsel

ALL ACTIVITIES INSIDE THE CHURCH BUILDING HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

THIS INCLUDES MASS, CONFESSION, STATIONS OF THE CROSS & USE OF THE ADORATION CHAPEL.

MARCH 22, 2020

**Fourth Sunday of Lent
St. Margaret Mary, pray for us!**

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March 16, 2020

Dear Faithful of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee,

Praised be Jesus Christ!

We continue to be mindful of the latest recommendations from our health departments and the CDC. With the latest directive from CDC asking that public gatherings be limited to no more than 50 people, I am providing you the latest directives with regard to the celebration of Mass and other sacraments.

Effective Wednesday, March 18, I am suspending the public celebration of Masses throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, through Friday, April 3. This includes weekday and Sunday Masses. I ask that priests still celebrate Mass in their parishes, without an assembly, including the Sunday “pro populo” Masses as required by canon law.

This is a big decision and I don’t make it lightly. As Catholics, the Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives. In times of public crisis, people naturally turn to the Church for spiritual direction, and we need to continue to do whatever we can to support people through prayer. However, taking precautionary measures is a prudent course of action. I would ask that, where possible, our churches remain open for private prayer and that our people reserve some part of their day for private prayer or devotions.

Liturgy for weddings, funerals and baptisms should still be celebrated, but you should work with families to try and limit attendance at these events. Communal reconciliation services should be canceled and confessions should be limited to individual confession. The 12 hours of Reconciliation across the archdiocese on April 1, will continue as scheduled. For those in RCIA, the archbishop has dispensed individuals from the scrutinies.

All non-essential Parish gatherings should be postponed, including fish fries. Schools are discontinuing face-to-face instruction this week and Religious Education programs should also stop for the time being. All of these measures will be re-evaluated on April 1, with additional communication at that time.

The Chrism Mass scheduled for Tuesday, April 7, will not be celebrated publicly. I will celebrate the Mass with our auxiliary bishops and live-stream it. The oils will be blessed and consecrated and information will be shared with you later about how we will get the oils to parishes.

Economically, we know CoVID19/coronavirus will have a negative impact on our parishes and schools. Our development office will be reaching out to parishes with assistance with on-line giving and other strategies. To help parishes with cash flow, payments for parish assessments, pension contributions and the participant indemnity plan, can be delayed until July 1, 2020. Those parishes/schools in the St. Raphael Health Plan, will receive a “premium holiday” for the month of April. These are small measures, but hopefully they will provide some relief.

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We will be limiting the number of people at the Mary Mother of the Church Pastoral Center. Staff will work remotely in their day-to-day responsibilities to serve you.

Two Sunday Masses at the Cathedral will still be celebrated but without an assembly. The 9 a.m. Mass is available on Radio 920 AM, WOLF, and the 11 a.m. Mass is live-streamed on the Cathedral website. Other TV Masses are available on WVTM, My24 at 7 a.m. and 9 a.m., and on WITI Fox 6, at 5:30 a.m.

Lastly, let us hold each other in prayer during this time of concern, asking Mary Help of Christians to intercede on our behalf. Together we can pray this Spiritual Act of Communion.

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.

With the assurance of prayers, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecki Archbishop of Milwaukee



APRIL

5: Palm Sunday/ Holy Week begins
10: Good Friday– Parish Center Closed
12: Easter Sunday -Parish Center closed



Sunday:	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
Monday:	Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday:	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 [8a and 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Thursday:	Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47
Friday:	Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday:	Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53
Next Sunday:	Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

The mass intentions listed below will continue to be offered when Fr. Pat offers mass in private.

Monday, March 23

8:15am:

Tuesday, Marcy 24

8:15am: Living & Deceased member of Robert Lohse family

Wednesday, March 25

8:15 am:

10:00 am: Our School Staff & Students

7:00 pm: Josephine Heindinger +

Thursday, March 26

8:15am:

Friday, March 27

8:15am: Margaret Wimmer +

Saturday, March 28

5pm: Walter & Margaret Robel +

7pm:

Sunday, March 29

9am: The members of our parish

11am:

7pm: The intentions of Fr. Pat

Mass Intentions 2020

The mass intentions book for 2020 is open. There are quite a few open dates. Remembering our friends & loved ones at the altar of God is an act of mercy.

Easter Memorial Flowers

What is this? It is an Easter gift for the parish to make a special donation of flowers in “Memory of” or “ In Honor of” a loved one. Please fill out the form and return it to the Parish Office or put it in the weekend’s collection basket at Mass with your donation in a clearly marked envelope.

Please put “Easter Memorial” in the memo area of your check. Please return by Friday, April 3.

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

In loving memory of:

In honor of:

Donated by:

Phone number



VEILING STATUES

The veiling of crosses and images is a sort of “fasting” from sacred depictions which represent the paschal glory of our salvation. Just as the Lenten fast concludes with the Paschal feast, so too, our fasting from the cross culminates in an adoration of the holy wood on which the sacrifice of Calvary was offered for our sins. Likewise, a fasting from the glorious images of the mysteries of faith and the saints in glory, culminates at the Easter vigil mass with a renewed appreciation of the glorious victory won by Christ, risen from the tomb to win for us eternal life.

CHURCH CLEANING & DECORATING OPPORTUNITY

Please join us on Saturday March 28th at 9 am to help us both clean the church in anticipation of Easter and to help shroud the statues so that we may prepare for the "fasting" from the holy images in our sanctuary. Adults and teenagers are needed for approximately 2-3 hours to help us in this preparation.

DISPOSING OF BLESSED PALMS

Blessed palms should be burned. You can either return them to church March 28 through Palm Sunday, April 5th - we will have baskets available for depositing them in. They will be burnt for next Ash Wednesday ashes or you can burn them yourself and return the ashes to the ground.

Pray for our Military Members

Mother of Good Counsel:

- Nelson Xavier Nunez
- Luis Ornelas
- Navy Petty Officer Kyle Walcheske
- Louis Cruz
- Senior Chief Petty Officer
- Kenneth Seefeld
- Captain Christopher Wiesneski
- Sergeant Dwain J. Burke
- Sergeant Major James Cook
- Sergeant Kurt Buckawiecki
- Sergeant Joshua Kohut
- Warrant Officer Bradley Dompke
- Master Gunnery Sergeant David John Winter

St. Margaret Mary:

- Army Captain James Hedman (KofC 106710, Grand Knight)

2020-2021 School Year Enrollment Information

St. Margaret Mary enrolls students either by private tuition or through the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program "MPCP". Word of mouth is one of the best advertisements for our school. Please encourage any of your family and friends with K4 - 8th grade school age children to come visit our school. The next open enrollment period is March 1—20th. **Private** Tuition enrollment may be accepted at any time. Please call 414-463-8760 if you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour. See school website for school registration information: stmms.org.

We can't wait to meet you & show you what our school has to offer your child!

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