



# *Most Holy Trinity Parish*

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Dear friends and fellow parishioners,

It is with a heavy heart that I must inform you that due to a dramatic deterioration of the situation with the Covid-19 pandemic we will be returning to limited outside masses starting this weekend. Sadly, we are now at a rate of infection that surpasses the situation we found ourselves in July which makes indoor formal assemblies an increased risk to the community. So, what does this mean?

I am canceling indoor masses starting this weekend and continuing for the next 3 to 4 weekends. However, we will continue have the following:

1. We will continue to offer online mass each weekend.
2. We will continue to offer Eucharist each Sunday for all who do not feel comfortable attending mass. However, our **new schedule for distribution will be from 10:30 am till 12:30 pm.**
3. We will offer four outdoor masses in the back of the church for parishioners who have reserved seats.
4. **The new mass schedule will be:**
  - a. **Sat at 3 pm,**
  - b. **Sunday at 9 am**
  - c. **10:30 am till 12:30 am outdoor reception of Eucharist**
  - d. **1pm**
  - e. **3 pm.**

(This new schedule is a reflection of the cooler weather that we will be encountering at this time of year.)

Again, I want to emphasize that Bishop Weisenburger has granted dispensation from attending mass for all who feel uncomfortable and or have pre-existing conditions which makes attendance risky for their health or the health of loved ones.

In spite of what is going on we are still planning a wonderful Christmas celebration. As we get closer to Christmas, we will keep you informed as to our plans. I believe that this Christmas will be unique and something we can tell the younger generations about as part of our story of faith.

Finally, the good news is that vaccines are a real possibility with a potential FDA approval in the next few weeks. If these vaccines are approved then we are finally moving toward a brighter future and that should give us hope. So, in fidelity to each other and our faith, let us hold on and protect each other and our families. Let us support each other and check in on each other as we begin to head toward a brighter future. We need to remember that the sacrifices we make now will reward us with a lifetime of celebrations later on.

Yours in the Savior,  
Fr. Tom