## The Lord give you Peace!

As we enter into summer schedules and into a 'Phase 3' response to the covid-19 crisis, more and more of our parishioners have begun to share life within larger family and social 'bubbles'. This expansion of activities also means that more and more of our parishioners would like to celebrate Eucharist.

It is good that parishioners have a deep desire to celebrate Eucharist. And for those who have already attended a Eucharist it was obvious that it satisfied a deep hunger in their soul. And it was good to hear that many appreciated the safe guards that were put into place to keep our parishioners well and safe. All of us are mindful that we are not out of the 'covid-19" woods yet. Health authorities are telling us to ready ourselves for a second wave. So as we open up our Parish for Eucharist let us be prudent and respectful of each other's health through following the required protocols and the need for physical distancing.

Mindful of the 2 meter physical distancing requirement we are severely limited as to how many parishioners may attend any particular Mass. The restricted numbers keep us safe and well!

We currently celebrate 5 Masses on a weekend. The requirement for physical distancing means that a mere fraction of the parish can celebrate Mass on any weekend. Mindful of this we are looking at 'alternating' our current Mass schedule so that as many parishioners as possible may have an opportunity to celebrate Eucharist. The group who celebrated the 'noon' Mass last Sunday will not be attending this Sunday so that a newly registered group of Parishioners may attend. From now on each group will alternate from Sunday to Sunday. And if more parishioners desire to attend this noon Mass, we will celebrate the noon Mass for each group on every third Sunday. This will allow many more parishioners an opportunity to celebrate Eucharist. A 'Captain' will be appointed to maintain the list for each particular Mass grouping. The 'Captain' will let their particular group know on a regular basis when they are scheduled to attend Mass. Once you are registered in a time frame we ask that you remain in that time frame with the same captain because the scheduling is already complicated enough.

If you are 'not' currently registered at a Mass but would like to sign up to be on a 'Mass Roster' please email or phone the parish office. Let us know which Mass you would like to attend. It will take us a week or two to get an 'alternating' schedule up but we will contact you as soon as we can. Unfortunately, we cannot register anyone for this weekend because each Mass is totally filled to capacity. In this time of pandemic if we were to add others we would create an unsafe and unhealthy environment for those who have already registered. Hence we have our need to start 'alternating' our Mass schedule. Hopefully, we can safely register you for the weekend of July 11-12<sup>th</sup>.

Saturday / Sunday Mass Schedule: The plan is to 'alternate' these Mass groups from weekend to weekend

Saturday – 4:00 pm & 7:00 pm Sunday – Noon & 4:00 pm

\*The Mass schedule is spread out intentionally so that the Church pews, railings, doorknobs etc., can be 'sanitized' between each Mass. It takes an hour to do this.