

Changes to the St. Mark Mass mask requirements, and related announcements:

Starting this Sunday, June 6-

The 8:30AM Mass will be a “mask required” mass. If you attend this Mass, you MUST wear a mask. This will provide a safe and comfortable environment for those who have not yet received a vaccine, those who still feel concern about their health, and those who are at greater risk.

The 10:00 AM will be “mask optional.” You are encouraged to wear a mask, but if you choose not to, you may attend this Mass.

Both Masses will still observe social distancing by keeping every other pew empty.

Altar servers will be serving at the 10AM Mass only at this time. Altar servers will be required to wear a mask since most youth of that age have not been able to receive their vaccines.

### **Confirmation**

Bishop Anthony B. Taylor will be with us on Sunday, July 18 for the Confirmation of our youth. The Mass will be at 9:00AM (Please note this change in time for that week only.) This Mass will be “mask optional.” A reception will follow in the parish hall.

There will be a vigil Mass on Saturday, July 17 at 6:45 PM that will serve as the “mask required”/social distancing Mass, since there will be only one Mass on that Sunday.

The Bishop will dedicate and bless the new columbarium following the Sunday Mass & Confirmation on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Confessions**

Because of the two Masses on Sunday mornings, it has been increasingly difficult for Fr. Mark to hear unscheduled confessions on Sundays. Therefore, on Wednesday, June 16, 6-8:00 PM there will be a time of confession. No appointment is necessary. This time of confession will replace the current Sunday confessions prior to Masses. If this is determined to be useful for parishioners he will probably continue this on a monthly basis.

As always, you can still text Fr. Mark or call the parish office to schedule a convenient time to meet for Confession.

### **Weekday Masses**

Just a reminder, Weekday Masses are now at 5:30 PM in the main church on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Masks are optional. But Fr. Mark will be at the annual priest's retreat June 7-11, so there will be no weekday Masses that week.