Confirmation Mass Guidelines

Saturday, August 22, 2020

9:00 AM – Outside

In order to meet the requirements of the State of Maryland, the Frederick County Health Department and the Archdiocese of Baltimore, the following procedures will be followed:

* **Candidates and sponsors should arrive between 8:30 and 8:45 AM**
* **Dress code is business causal for Candidates and Sponsors.**
* Candidate will sit with their family and sponsor. During the mass, please refer to the worship aid for directions during the mass.
* If you or any of your family/guests are over 60 years of age and/or have a pre-existing condition, you are dispensed by Archbishop Lori from attending Mass. This Mass will be live streamed on our parish Facebook account @ *Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Ijamsville MD*
* If you have a persistent cough or are experiencing persistent sneezing, please stay home.
* I ask that you take your temperature, and those accompanying you, before you leave your home. If you have a temperature of greater than 100 degrees, please stay home.
* Family groups will be limited to a maximum of 10 in a group with 6 foot social distancing. Each family may invite as many family members as they would like, but 10 people per groups should be the arrangement.
* The restrooms in only building C will be open. Please maintain social distancing while waiting to use the restrooms.
* When you arrive in the parking lot, please put on your mask before exiting your vehicle. Maintain social distancing walking from your vehicle to the back of building C & B. Do not congregate with anyone outside of those persons living in your household. Once seated masks are encouraged but not required.
* Please bring your own chairs, blankets, umbrellas, hats and water.
* There will be a worship aide. Please take them home with you. We will dispose of anything left behind.
* Sign of Peace only within family groups.
* Communion will be distributed under one form - the Body of Christ. Please follow the directions of the ushers in receiving the Eucharist. Please maintain social distancing in the communion line. **Please keep your mask on until you reach the Priest or Deacon**. **Communion will only be offered in the hand. Please place your hands through the Communion Screen. Let the Priest or Deacon place the host in your hand.** If either the Priest or Deacon touches you, they will be required to sanitize their hands before continuing. **Once you have placed the host in your mouth, return your mask on your nose and mouth**. Please maintain social distancing in returning to your seat.
* After Mass please do not congregate on the walkway or in the parking lot.
* Sacramental Certificates will be placed in available to pick up after Mass.
* All photographs are to be taken from your seat. Father Mike will be available after the Mass for pictures with the Candidate and family.