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Brother Priests, and Parish Administrators:

We just concluded a ZOOM conference call with a large number of priests in the Diocese to discuss, plan and coordinate various aspects for hearing confessions in the Diocese beginning Friday, May 1. I want to thank everyone who was able to participate today. I am grateful for the generosity and spirit of cooperation in today's meeting and am glad that it will continue in your efforts to coordinate "host locations" within your Deaneries to hear confessions and to share priests resources and support one another in this effort. As a reminder we are looking for information to be shared with the faithful via the Diocesan web page, Facebook and elsewhere, in addition to your own parish communications efforts:

1. The actual location, or site to host confessions (St. _____ Parish)
2. The building at the location (e.g. Msgr. _____ Parish Hall)
3. Any specific entrance information (e.g. Enter via the Main Entrance, the _____ Street Entrance, and so forth)
4. Phone number at the host location for people to call in order to make appointments (not everyone has e-mail, so phone calls are best in this case)
5. Any languages available (other than English) for confessions at a particular host location

Please remember this is not a race to be first to hear confessions, but rather I would ask that you spend the next day or two conversing with neighboring pastors or as a Deanery to coordinate how best to approach this, again in a spirit of collaboration and support for one another. For example, could the Fairfield County parishes work together to have confessions on one day at St. Mary's, the next day at St. Mark's, and so forth, staggering times to help meet the needs of the faithful? Fr. Tom Petry mentioned during our conference call the northern and southern parishes in the Northland Deanery, and how working together you could help one another by hosting confessions, for example, at St. Anthony's on one day with support of Deanery priests, and another day at St. Paul's, and a third day elsewhere. Again these are just examples. Let us remember, too, to support outlying parishes that may not have a sufficient number of priests on their own for a potential surge as begin to hear confessions, and our willingness as priests to support each other by travelling to those locations to help hear confessions.

A reminder, do not use confessionals as these confined spaces are not conducive for what we need at this time. The "openness" of a large space (e.g. parish hall) provides for necessary air circulation. As asked during today's conference call, if the weather is nice and privacy can be maintained, if you have an outdoor garden or similar space you could utilize that space to hear confessions along with indoor spaces at the same site. As also discussed today this does not mean having drive-thru confessions.

The Josephinum priests are offering to hear confessions at the Jessing Center, which is an ideal regional location. This will help the faithful in the northern part of St. Michael's parish, the southern part of St. Mary's in Delaware, St. Joan of Arc in Powell, and possibly some from the western edge of St. Paul's in Westerville.

Parish Administrators (specifically St. John the Baptist, Dresden and Mattingly Settlement, Newcomerstown -- I hope I'm not missing anyone) with the exception of OLPH in Grove City it may not be feasible for you to offer confessions, but instead publicize the availability of confessions at neighboring parishes. That will be your call. If you would like to have confessions and need assistance with getting priests, please contact Mike Lumpe or Steve Moloney.

For priests who are age 70 and above, if they have permission from their physician to hear confessions during these times I will permit it, but I want these priests to take all necessary measures and precautions to protect their health. Your health means everything!

Masks were distributed with holy oils from the Chrism Mass -- if you did not ask for one please contact Mike Lumpe at mlumpe@columbuscatholic.org . Priests will need to wear these particular masks when they hear confessions, along with vinyl gloves.

Attached is a listing of available priests to hear confessions by Deanery. For a variety of reasons some priests cannot hear confessions at this time, and that is fine.

Also attached is a *Guide for Making Your Confession During These Extraordinary Times* which you can make available in your parishes. We will make this available on the Diocesan communications vehicles. Please note the do's and don'ts as reminders for people -- for the safety of all involved.

I am having trouble with getting files from my computer so as I discussed during our ZOOM conference call today. I apologize for this. I will have to send to you tomorrow the earlier outline of issues pertaining to confessions that was distributed within the past 10 days.

In the meantime if you have any additional questions please contact Mike Lumpe or Steve Moloney.

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On a totally different matter, as a result of our schools buildings not re-opening for the remainder of the current academic year, Adam Dufault has a letter that I have reviewed and approved that will be going out to all Catholic School Families in the Diocese. An advance copy of the letter is attached for your reference.

Also, from the Marriage and Family Life Office:

For the health and safety of all, the Pre-Cana day occurring on Saturday, May 30th has been cancelled. Engaged couples who were signed up for this session have been notified and will be refunded the cost of the day. They were also given the option of registering for a future Pre-Cana date or making use of online marriage preparation through the program, [Smart Loving](#). Of note, the Smart Loving Program includes a coupon for the couple to give to a mentor couple, offering the content for free so they can accompany them throughout the process. Also, Smart Loving includes a full, free NFP course! It's a fantastic resource your couples can take advantage of with your encouragement! Should you have any questions or concerns, or if there is anything else we can do to assist you, please do not hesitate to contact the Marriage & Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 or familylife@columbuscatholic.org.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts, and for your ideas, creativity and willing spirit during these extraordinary times.

Fraternally,

Bishop Brennan

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Reverend Jeffrey J. Rimelspach	St. Margaret of Cortona, Columbus	02-Northwest	jrimelspach@msn.com	Rimelspach
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A Guide for Making Your Confession During These Extraordinary Times

- 1 – DO make an appointment to have your confession heard** as confessions are scheduled in advance.
- 2 – DO NOT “show up” without an appointment** in fairness to everyone who schedule their confession appointment in advance.
- 3 – DO stay at home** if you are ill with anything contagious, especially if you are showing symptoms of the COVID-19 coronavirus. There will be other opportunities to have your confession heard when you are well.
- 4 – DO take your temperature** before leaving home for confessions; if you have a temperature above 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit (the threshold “symptomatic” temperature for potential coronavirus) please do not come to confessions; wait until you are healthy.
- 5 – DO stay at home** if you of an age or have other factors that put you in the “high risk” category for getting the COVID-19 coronavirus. There will be opportunities to have your confession heard in the future.
- 6 – DO use your own hand sanitizer and wear a mask** when you arrive for confession.
- 7 – DO arrive no more than 5 MINUTES before your confession appointment** in order to avoid starting a line.
- 8 – DO prepare for your confession at home** – you will have only **5 MINUTES** to have your confession heard given these extraordinary times.
- 9 – DO keep your confession brief** – succinctly confess your sins.
- 10 – DO NOT use this opportunity for confession to seek counseling.** If you need to speak with a priest about counseling on a particular issue in your life please make an appointment to discuss this with him outside of the confession setting.

An Examination of Conscience Based on the Seven Deadly Sins *(based on an examination from My Catholic Life!)*

Pride: “Pride is an untrue opinion of ourselves, an untrue idea of what we are not.” Have I a superior attitude in thinking, or speaking or acting? Am I snobbish? Have I offensive, haughty ways of acting or carrying myself? Do I hold myself above others? Do I demand recognition? Do I desire to be always first? Do I seek advice? Am I ready to accept advice? Am I in any sense a “bully”? Am I inclined to be “bossy”? Do I speak ill of others? Have I lied about others? Do I make known the faults of others? Do I seek to place the blame on others, excusing myself? Is there anyone to whom I refuse to speak? Is there anyone to whom I have not spoken for a long time? Am I prone to argue? Am I offensive in my arguments? Have I a superior “know-it-all attitude” in arguments? Am I self-conscious? Am I sensitive? Am I easily wounded?

Envy: “Envy is a sadness which we feel, on account of the good that happens to our neighbor.” Do I feel sad at the prosperity of others? At their success in games? In athletics? Do I rejoice at their failures? Do I envy the riches of others?

Sloth: “Sloth is a kind of cowardice and disgust, which makes us neglect and omit our duties, rather than to discipline ourselves.” Have I an inordinate love of rest, neglecting my duties? Do I act lazily? Am I too fond of rest? Do I take lazy positions in answering prayers? Do I kneel in a lounging way? Do I delight in idle conversation? Do I fail to be fervent in the service of God?

Lust: “Lust is the love of the pleasures that are contrary to purity.” Have I desired or done impure things? Have I taken pleasure in entertaining impure thoughts or desires? Have I read impure material, listened to music with impure lyrics, or looked at impure images, whether in photos or on television or in movies/videos or on the internet? Have I aroused sexual desire in myself or another by impure kissing, embracing, or touching? Have I committed impure actions alone? Do I dress immodestly or am I too concerned with the way I look? Do I use vulgar language or tell or listen to impure jokes or stories? Have I given into sexual desires (e.g. fornication, adultery) even in my imagination? Have I had sexual relations with a person outside of marriage? Have I participated in sexual activity with persons of the same-sex?

Covetousness: “Covetousness is a disordered love of the goods of this world.” Do I dispose of my money properly or selfishly? Do I discharge my duties in justice to my fellow man? Do I discharge my duties in justice to the Church?

Gluttony: “Gluttony is a disordered love of eating and drinking.” Do I eat to live or live to eat? Do I drink to excess? Do I get drunk? Do I misuse prescription drugs? Do I use illegal drugs? Have I allowed myself to become addicted to alcohol and/or drugs?

Anger: “An emotion of the soul, which leads us violently to repel whatever hurts or displeases us.” Am I prone to anger? Does practically any little thing arouse my temper? Am I what is generally termed “a sore-head”? Do I fail to repress the first signs of anger? Do I fail to get along well with everybody? Do I ponder over slights or injuries and even presume them? Do I rejoice at the misfortunes of others? Do I think of means of revenge? Of “getting even”? Am I of an argumentative disposition? Have I a spirit of contradiction? Am I given to ridicule of persons, places, or things? Am I hard to get along with? Do I carry grudges, remain “on the outs” with anyone? Do I talk about the faults of others? Do I reveal the faults or defects of others? Do I reveal the faults of others from the wrong motive?

“For these and all the sins that I have committed during my life, I am truly sorry.”

ACT OF CONTRITION

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You, and I detest all my sins because of Your just punishments, but most of all because they offend You, my God, who are all-good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.

***Please depart quietly, remove your mask only when you are in your car,
do your penance at home. Thank you for your cooperation!***



THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS

April 21, 2020

Dear Catholic School Families,

Following the Governor's announcement about the delayed reopening of schools throughout the State of Ohio, the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Columbus will continue with distance learning through the scheduled end of this academic year.

While this is certainly not the way I thought that the 2019-2020 school year would end, it is the right action to take to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of all of our students, staff, and families in this time of crisis. Each school will inform families about procedures for the end of the school year, including information about dates, grading, and materials.

At this time, it is too early to tell what summer programs will be offered or what those might look like. It is also too early to know what will happen this Fall. I can assure you that planning is underway for all possibilities. A task force made up of healthcare professionals, principals, and Office of Catholic Schools staff members has been formed and will be working to develop re-opening plans, taking into consideration all educational, medical, and safety needs.

I would also like to acknowledge the impact that this news has on our graduating class of 2020. I realize that this is a disappointing way to end senior year, but our high schools will do everything possible to make your graduation memorable and to honor your time in our Catholic schools.

I again ask for your prayers for those who have been impacted by this terrible pandemic; those who may become infected, especially those at most risk; and for the dedication and skill of all of our health professionals working to keep us safe. It is my prayer that we will soon be able to re-unite in person as school families and as a Catholic community.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Adam J. Dufault
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