

St. Mary's Cathedral

5 June 2020

Greetings.

We are excited to offer First Communion on Sunday, July 19. We have almost 140 young Catholics who had been preparing for this sacrament. Because of the COVID-19 situation we were unable to complete their Wednesday evening catechism classes. Because of this situation we are also unable to bring all of the children together for one mass. We ask parents to choose one of the Sunday masses on July 19. We will have spaces reserved towards the front of the church. We ask that you let us know which mass you plan on attending.

Please note our temporary mass schedule during the pandemic. This allows us more time to sanitize the church between masses:

English masses at 7 am; 11 am and 5 pm.

Spanish masses at 9 am and 1 pm.

Please contact Barb Ernst at religioused@stmarysgi.com or 384-2523 ext. 213 and let her know which mass you plan to attend.

We are not able to plan a practice and rehearsal for the children. This is an important sacrament so we ask you parents to begin praying and practicing with your children in preparation for this day.

We also ask you to bring your children to Confession before July 19. We are offering them in the Church parking lot on Saturday from 11 am – 12 noon.

If you are unable to make it to a mass on July 19, we ask that you pick one of the next Sunday masses that are possible for you to attend. Again, contact Barb and let her know which one you decide so that we can be prepared.

Thank you for your patience during this strange time. Please know that a First Communion is extremely important in the life of a child. Also please know that the second and third (and so on) are as equally important!

In Christ,

Fr. Jim

Fr. Jim Golka
Rector / Pastor