



May 27, 2020

Dear St. Stan's Parishioners,

We have greatly missed you and look forward to seeing you soon! **Upon careful deliberation, we have made a decision to reopen St. Stans for public masses beginning the weekend of Saturday, July 4 & Sunday, July 5 with our regular mass times – Saturday at 4:00pm and Sunday at 8:00am and 10:00am.** Our staff, trustees, pastoral councils, priest, Father Dennis, and parochial administrator, Father Dan Haugan, are keeping up with all the relevant information surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic and are adhering to prescribed cleaning and social distancing protocols to keep everyone safe.

As we return to mass, we continue to practice social distancing of six feet in all directions. As recommended, people 65 years and older or with compromised immune systems are encouraged to stay at home. It is our plan to live stream mass once we reopen. Once we return to mass and are gathered together, we will review the changes in church (as well as post updates on the St. Stans website) so we can understand the guidelines to maintaining a safe worship environment for all.

In the meantime, here are some of changes you can expect:

- We will ask our greeters to help welcome people coming in and assist with the flow of movement within our church
- Pews will be marked to maintain social distancing
- Missals and songbooks have been temporarily removed from the pews as a precaution
- All are required to wear masks
- We will have a designated basket to collect all donations in lieu of ushers
- Our holy water fonts remain emptied

Please feel free to contact Kim Myers, Parish Administrator at 651-224-7998 or kimmyers@ststans.org with any questions or concerns.

We thank you very much for your ongoing support and love for St. Stans. This remains a challenging and uncertain time for us all. We truly are blessed with an amazing, loving parish community. As Father Clay reminds us, "The spiritual journey is exciting and challenging. There is suffering along the way. The love that comes from it is worth whatever the journey takes."

Smile, God Loves You,

St. Stan's Staff