

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this period of having Mass without a congregation. It was all for the good of all. Hopefully our faith in our Lord has been strengthened the more despite the challenges and trials.

I believe we have had time to read the Bishop's letter and the St. Jude operating plan document that I sent to you. We all have to do our best in following the guidelines which is for the good of all of us.

In line with the directives given by the province's health authorities regarding the number of people allowed at a gathering (which is 50), I will be sending out an online link for us to register which Mass we will be attending on weekends. When you are choosing Mass either for Saturday or Sunday, that will be the Mass period you will remain with for the foreseeable future, unless you have a valid reason to change your preference. If you believe you have a valid reason, you must contact Fr. Emmanuel directly, to see if it is possible to switch Mass times.

The reason for assigning either Saturday or Sunday serves two purposes; firstly, in order to ensure no more than 50 people will occupy the building at one time, and secondly to assist us in tracking who is in what Mass grouping (Saturday or Sunday). This serves the requirement for us to have a data base available in case there arises the need for contact tracing. This definitely is not going to be a permanent tradition but just for the time being. Those who attend week day Masses are required to register on paper in the church vestibule whenever they come to mass.

With respect to the on-line registration for Saturday or Sunday Mass, some designated parishioners (currently Janice Silveira and Sheila Hart) will be making calls to help some of us with the online registration process. If you have difficulties with the registration, you can give them a call for help.

Wearing of masks is highly recommended because of asymptomatic persons and washing/ hand sanitizing should be practiced. Those serving as ushers must wear masks while performing their duties.

We are required and encouraged to follow the instructions of the ushers while at Mass. The ushers are there to help and assist us. Our parish will continue the

practice of selling shopping cards (organized by the Knights) but this will take place outdoors (the parking lot) at the end of the Mass.

Since a new Mass time is being introduced at St Jude Parish 100 Mile House (Saturday) this means that there will be no Mass at Lac La Hache until further notice. The new Mass times are as follows:

- 1. Saturdays starting on 30th May 2020 at 5pm at St Jude 100 Mile House***
- 2. Sundays starting on 31st May 2020 at 9.30am at St Jude 100 Mile House***
- 3. Daily Masses at St Jude 100 Mile House at 8am except Saturday at 9am***
- 4. Sundays starting on 7th June at 11.45 at Holy Family Bridge Lake***
- 5. Time for Mass at St Augustine Canim Lake will be communicated after the necessary preparations are made.***

Here's the link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040A45ABAE2FA5F49-sunday> for you to register for **either Saturday or Sunday (not both)** at St Jude 100 Mile House. Note: **this link is only for those attending at St Jude 100 Mile House.**

Let us continue to do our best and assist one another. We will be notified if there are any needed adjustments or changes.

Looking forward to see you.

Stay Safe.

God bless you

Fr Emmanuel