

April 27, 2021

Dear Parishioners,

Assumption Chapel in Cold Spring is open for visitors for the summer. I have been offering prayers for you, First Communion and Confirmation students and the needs of our world. I discerned my vocation at that chapel and have always felt at peace praying before the Blessed Mother. I hope you have the opportunity to visit the chapel or find time to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Take your children with you and introduce them to the richness of adoration and devotional prayers. They will carry that gift with them through the journey of life.

I keep praying that our parishes can open up more and more for events and activities. We need to come together to build community and worship with each other. At this time we will continue to Live Stream the Mass on Sundays at Saints Peter and Paul's in Braham. This evening the diocese is offering a webinar... "Thinking Outside the Festival Box". I plan to watch the presentation to gather some ideas that are working in our parishes throughout the diocese and beyond.

Keep in your prayers Bishop Kettler as he continues to shepherd our diocese as we await the announcement of a new bishop. Bishop Kettler has kept a busy schedule amidst the Pandemic and Diocesan Reorganization process and he is keeping a very busy Confirmation schedule. He will be confirming our young people on June 6, 2021.

I need to ask couples that are planning their weddings to "PLEASE" contact me if you have changed your date, altered your plans or have cancelled the date. Holding the date on the calendar and not following through in notifying me of your change of plans, prevents other couples from choosing the date or does not allow me to schedule other events in the parish. It is a basic common courtesy to let me and the parishes know of any changes.

In Our Risen Lord,

Fr. Don Wagner