

May 5, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

I come to you with sorrow in my heart. Sandy White, friend, parishioner, secretary, former trustee at Saints Peter and Paul's in Braham passed away on Sunday, May 3, 2020. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, the family is planning a private burial this Thursday with a Memorial Mass to be celebrated at a later date. Please hold her husband Steve and family in your prayers.

Last Friday Bishop Kettler sent an update regarding the reopening of churches. We have opened our churches for adoration and prayer. Mercy Chapel will remain closed until further notice. (Please call each office at this time for days and hours). There are some specific guidelines we are asking you to follow. There are to be no more than ten people in the church at any given time, Social distancing is required. Chairs are set up for use. Please use those folding chairs and not the church pews. Those chairs are easy to disinfect and it allows us not having to be concerned about wiping down every church pew. Hand sanitizer is available but we ask you bring a mask.

Hopefully we will be able to pull together plans as to how we might be able to celebrate the Mass with the congregation once some restrictions are lifted. We call upon the Spirit of Pentecost to bring guidance, healing and recovery from this Pandemic.

I continue to schedule confessions by appointment. If you had a baptism scheduled or are looking toward having your child baptized, please call the parish office to set a date and time. Certain restrictions apply.

In this Month of May we honor Our Blessed Mother Mary and ask her to intercede to her Son Jesus to protect our world, our families and loved ones from the Covid-19 Pandemic. We also honor our mothers for the gift of life and the generous love they have shared with us.

In Our Risen Lord,

Fr. Don Wagner