



Diocese of Kamloops
BISHOP'S OFFICE

March 26, 2021

Dear Clergy, religious and faithful of the Diocese of Kamloops,

I am glad of the recent news received in regards to the one-time variance on health restrictions on March 25th allowing limited indoor gathers for some religious celebrations between March 28 and May 13.

Be reminded that all safety protocols are to be observed by everyone. All participants must pre-register for Mass for contact tracing purposes, pass a health check, keep with the social distancing requirements and wear a face mask.

Worship leaders, soloist (no choir) and readers must wear a face mask unless they are reading or singing as long as there a 3-metre distance or a physical barrier between them and the rest of the congregation.

I have chosen Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter (including the vigil) and Divine Mercy Sunday to be the four days celebrated in-person in the Diocese of Kamloops. Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Holy Thursday at Sacred Heart Cathedral concelebrated by our priest at 10: 00 am.

It is a blessing to be able to celebrate the Sacred Triduum, Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday, even if it is in small numbers.

Our Parishes will continue to be committed to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of their parishioners by following all of the required precautions.

With prayer and Easter blessing,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading '+ Joseph Phuong Nguyen', is written below the text 'With prayer and Easter blessing,'.

✠Joseph Phuong Nguyen
Bishop of Kamloops