The Mount Safe Initiative seeks to safeguard the health and well-being of all members of the Mount community during the COVID-19 crisis while fostering student success. Our policies and procedures will be updated as our knowledge about and understanding of the virus evolves.

**DETAILS**

- Baltimore Archbishop William E. Lori has provided a dispensation for attendance at Mass, especially for those who are ill or can't be in crowds of people.
- Masses are being held either in the IC Chapel or outside at the Terrace Plaza (near the gazebo). Daily Mass is Monday through Friday at noon and Monday through Thursday at 9 p.m. in the IC Chapel. Sunday Mass is at 11 a.m. in the IC Chapel (also livestreamed on the University's Facebook page) and at 7 p.m. at Terrace Plaza (weather permitting).
- Pangborn and Kane Chapel are available for prayer. No services are being held in these small chapels.
- Sunday Mass is also held at the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes with services at noon and 2 p.m. at Mary's Chapel. The 2 p.m. Mass is in Spanish.
- There are no hymnals or programs.
- A non-denominational service is held Sundays at 4:30 p.m. in the plaza at Lower McGowan Hall.
- There is no processional or recessional.
- Those who do not wish to participate in communion must come forward and cross their arms. They will receive a blessing.
- Priests come in and leave from the side door at the front of the chapel.
- Families of faculty, staff or students who wish to attend Mass must check in at Public Safety.
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- Holy Hour is from 8 to 8:45 p.m. Monday through Thursday in the IC Chapel.
- Due to the need for physical distancing, a temporary confessional is located in the entrance to the choir loft of the IC Chapel. Confession hours are 6 to 6:45 p.m. Sunday and 8 to 8:45 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Confessions are also by appointment or by stopping by the Center for Campus Ministry.
- Offerings may be placed in a basket in the lobby before Mass. There is no collection during the service.
- Use hand sanitizer as you enter the IC Chapel.
- An usher will direct you to a pew; sit six feet from the nearest person. Each pew will hold 3 to 4 people. Families may sit together without distancing.
- Singing is prohibited. You may softly hum while the cantor, pianist and guitarist share music.

**YOUR ROLE**

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