

Dear Friends of Pastorate #1:

Greetings from Fr. Mark, Fr. Sudhakar, and myself! While Fr. Mark, Fr. Sudhakar, and I will not be officially beginning our new roles as your priests until July 1, 2023, I wanted to take this opportunity to communicate some important information about the Mass and Confession Schedule for you and our pastorate. These new Mass times will begin on Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The new Mass schedule is fairly similar to the current Mass schedule. It is available on the following page. This Mass schedule has been generated after consultation with your outgoing pastor, the new priest team, and members of your community. It is important to mention that there is no perfect schedule. With 7 churches and 3 priests, there are many ways to divide up the responsibilities, and there are pros and cons to each method. This schedule provides us with a variety of Mass times throughout our pastorate and keeps things as similar as possible to your current way of life and your current routines.

As we move forward to becoming one official parish in the next year, it will be important to recall some of the goals of the plan concerning our liturgies: 1) To reclaim Sunday and the Eucharist as the center of parish life; 2) To have more than 50% of our liturgies at greater than 50% capacity; 3) To have better coordination between parishes with Mass times, Confession times, etc.; and 4) To have no more than 3 weekend Masses per priest. Thus, while this initial schedule is meant to serve us as we begin our pastorate, it will need to be reevaluated down the road to ensure we are meeting the goals of Into the Deep.

I am grateful for all of the work your current pastors have contributed to helping me in this process, as well as your staff members too. We look forward to seeing you on July 1 and July 2 for our opening weekend and helping you to grow in your love for Jesus Christ!

In Christ,

Fr. Steve Brunner

Fr. Sudhakar Devarapu

Fr. Mark Miller

Mass/Confession Schedule for Pastorate #1 (Effective July 1, 2023)

**SATURDAY**

8 AM – 9 AM

*Adoration & Confession*

**St. Mary, Bloomington  
St. Clement, Lancaster**

4:30 PM

*Mass*

**St. Charles Borromeo, Cassville  
Confessions, 3:45 pm**

5 PM

*Mass*

**St. Clement, Lancaster  
Confessions, 4 pm**

8 PM

*Mass*

**St. Mary Help of Christians, Glen Haven  
Confessions, 7:15 pm**

**SUNDAY**

8 AM

*Mass*

**St. Thomas, Potosi  
St. John, Patch Grove**

9 AM

*Mass*

**St. Clement, Lancaster**

10 AM

*Mass*

**St. Andrew, Tennyson  
St. Mary, Bloomington**

**MONDAY**

*No Daily Mass*

**TUESDAY**

8:15 AM

*Mass*

**St. Charles Borromeo, Cassville  
St. Clement, Lancaster  
St. Andrew, Tennyson**

**WEDNESDAY**

8:15 AM

*Mass*

**St. Charles Borromeo, Cassville  
St. Clement, Lancaster  
St. Andrew, Tennyson**

**THURSDAY**

8:15 AM

*Mass*

**St. Mary, Bloomington  
St. Clement, Lancaster  
St. Andrew, Tennyson**

**FRIDAY**  
8:15 AM

*Mass*

**St. Mary, Bloomington**  
**St. Clement, Lancaster**  
**St. Andrew, Tennyson**