



June 3, 2021

Dear Faithful and Friends of Holy Faith,

It has been wonderful to have the Holy Faith campus reopened this week! It's a pleasure again to see people browsing the library, arriving for various study groups, participating in the Women's Guild, and attending the weekday services. Your Vestry has been working hard to plan for a safe and gradual reopening, and further progress is being made! Beginning Sunday, June 13, the diocese has said that congregational singing can resume as long as the congregation is masked. At Holy Faith, that means that the 11:00 Sunday mass will include hymns and the service will be chanted as before the pandemic. For now, the 8:30 mass will remain as is without congregational singing for those who would prefer less music, for those who may be uneasy about resuming congregational singing yet, and for those who prefer a shorter service to reduce the time indoors with a crowd. Looking further ahead, when social distancing requirements are relaxed, the 7:30 mass can resume as we are able to accommodate more people in the chapel. When the 7:30 mass resumes, the 8:30 mass can resume congregational singing with the choir's section leaders, and the full choir can resume singing at the 11:00 mass. Also, when social distancing requirements are relaxed, we will be able to resume Children's Chapel at 8:30 followed by the children processing into the church at the Offertory of the 8:30 mass. As you can see, we are planning to move forward. Please continue to pray for an increase in the vaccination rate and a decrease in the Covid infection rate, so these plans may be implemented as soon as practicable.

Yours faithfully in Christ,
Fr. Robin+