

June 10, 2019

Dear Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist-

Our priests here at St. Rose have asked me to send the following note:

First and foremost, thank you for your continuing service to the people of St. Rose in this important ministry.

We've noticed recently an increase in EM absences from their assignments. In order for us to minimize the distraction caused by our having to call up extra EM's from the congregation each week, in the future, if you are assigned as an EM to a Mass and cannot make it, we ask that you arrange for a replacement for that particular Mass. We truly appreciate your assistance in helping us maintain an organized and prayerful atmosphere prior to the distribution of Communion.

To help you arrange for a replacement, I have separated out the e-mail contact list by Mass time. I will be sending the July/August schedule in this manner (ex- the 8 am EM's will receive an email with the schedule that is just being sent to the 8 am EM's.) This should enable you to reach out to the other EM's assigned to that Mass.

As always, if you know ahead of time that you will be unavailable for a particular date, let me know **BEFORE** I send out the next schedule. I need to know by the 15th of the month before the new schedule would begin. Since summer vacations are right around the corner, please get in touch by this Friday, June 14th if you have a special request.

Again, thank you for your help in this most special ministry and for working with me in regard to this new policy.

Warmest regards, Cathy