



Parishioner's Mass Intention Request Guidelines (2026 onwards)

Thank you for your interest in requesting a Mass intention.

Requesting for a Mass to be offered for a person is an ancient and important part of the Catholic tradition. The immeasurable grace that flows from the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the prayer of Jesus Christ to God the Father, is applied in a special way to the soul or intention of the person for whom a Mass is offered. A Mass may be said for:

- the repose of the soul of a deceased person: *Mass is offered for the repose of the soul of [name].*
- the intention of a living person other than the requester: *Mass is offered for [name].*
- the requester's private special intention or non-private specific intention: *Mass is offered for the special/specific intention of [requestors' name].*

The new Book of Mass Intentions (BMI) for the following calendar year usually opens at 9:00 A.M. on the Monday following the November 2 Solemnity of All Souls. This year is an exception, as the book for 2026 will be open on Monday, November 10, 2025. To ensure ample Mass availabilities for all parishioners the following guidelines have been established:

1. Each person may request a maximum of 10 Masses per calendar year.
2. Each Mass may be said for only 1 person unless it is for a married couple (husband and wife) who are both deceased or both living.
3. Mass Intentions may not be made for a canonized saint, a political figure or a group/family (except under certain circumstances with the Pastor's permission).
4. Only 1 Mass may be said for a recipient per week (Sunday - Saturday).
5. Requests will be processed in the order that the both request AND payment have been received. Please see the next section for steps to make your request.
6. The dates and times you requested may not be available. While we understand that dates are important for us as human beings, the Lord is ever knowing of our intentions even before they were formed in our hearts. Should the dates you wanted not be available, you can make your personal intention when you celebrate the Mass on the special dates.
7. As determined by the Diocese, a \$10.00 Honorarium per Mass is requested. Honorarium is for the Priest who will be celebrating the Mass.
8. Priests are requested but not required to announce the name of the Intention aloud. Even when the name is not read aloud, the graces of the Holy Mass are still applied to the intended recipient. This is done via the silent prayers of the priest as required by the Canon Law.
9. If your requested Mass needs to be rescheduled for an unforeseen reason, the Parish Office will contact you.

Steps to request Mass intentions:

1. Visit the Parish Office on M, W, Th 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. and Tue 10:15 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
2. Complete the form with the Mass date(s) and time(s) you are requesting.
3. Present your Honorarium payment of \$10.00 per Mass by cash or check (with no additional fee) or a credit/debit card (with a \$0.35 transaction fee).
4. The Front Office staff or volunteers will check for availability and provide a confirmation on the spot.
5. If you live out of town or out of state, please call Monica Lopez, the Front Office Coordinator, at (480) 967-8791 for information on how you can be assisted in making your requests.
6. At this time email requests cannot be honored. Thank you for your understanding.