

## SAINT JAMES Catholic Parish

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April 7, 2020 Blessed Ralph Ashley

Dear Parishioners,

In a memorandum to priests of the Archdiocese today, His Grace, Archbishop Miller announced that all Confirmations to be celebrated by him, or Bishop David Monroe, through to the end of May 2020 are cancelled. As our Confirmation had been scheduled for Thursday, May 14th, we will be consulting all the stakeholders involved to schedule a new time in the fall.

Confirmations scheduled for the month of June will proceed as previously planned if the restrictions on gatherings is lifted or increased to 250 people or more by the end of May.

Regarding First Communion, as it is a celebration arranged directly by the parish in conjunction with the school, discussions will be held to determine a suitable date. As is the case with Confirmation, it may well be best to postpone until the fall. An announcement will be made in due time.

With every blessing,

William F. Ashley

**Pastor**