

**Men of Christ**  
**March 20, 2021**  
**FAQ's**

**Why are we at the parishes and not the Milwaukee Theater?**

We do not know what will be the situation with the pandemic in mid-March. We need to plan an event that will benefit our Catholic brother, and this is our best solution.

**What about COVID-19 concerns?**

We will be following the "parish rules". Whatever parish you attend you will need to abide by the rules of that pastor and that parish. Please always have a facemask with you.

**Are facemasks required?**

Again - we will follow the "parish rules". If your parish requires a facemask then you must have one and properly wear one (covering the nose and mouth).

**How do you determine which parish will host the conference event?**

It is up to you to ask your pastor for permission and tap men on the shoulder of your parish to help build your team. Is your closest neighbor parish hosting or not? Can you ask them to join your parish?

**Where in my parish should we hold this event?**

Ideally, Mass should be in the church sanctuary, but the conference presentation should be held where it makes sense for your parish. If you can have the entire presentation in the sanctuary, then please have it there.

**How do I register myself or my parishioners for my event at my parish?**

Follow this [MOC 2021 Registration](#). Each parish shows the maximum number of participants it can allow. Men register themselves at a particular parish by clicking on the parish listing under "Participating Parishes." If the capacity of a parish has been reached, men will not be able to register for that particular parish.

**What type of technology do we need to host at our parish?**

You will need a computer or smart device which can play the video files of the recorded talks. You also need a monitor to view the videos from this device. This could be projection screens within the church. It could be a TV monitor in a classroom, hall or other gathering space in the parish.

**What is the conference format? Streaming video, flash drive, DVD or something else?**

We recognize that there is a wide range of technology needs and abilities out there. Therefore, we will be providing the conference in a variety of formats, but the most common one will be an online video that you will be able to start/stop at your individual parish.

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**Who will organize the Mass, Adoration/Benediction and Sacrament of Reconciliation?**

You and your team will need to coordinate this at your parish. Please work with your pastor (and liturgist) to make sure that this is planned well before March 20th.

**Is there a fee this year for attending the conference?**

We will not be charging anything for the conference this year. We do have expenses we will need to cover, and we will be asking for a freewill donation at each parish.

**Will there be a program with this year's conference?**

Yes. We will have an abbreviated program with content such as an examination of conscience and information on the Year of St. Joseph and the Year of the Family as declared by Pope Francis.

**Will my pastor be enough to hear confessions?**

Probably not - he may need help. Please discuss this with him and see if you can ask a local "help-out" priest - the priest who will occasionally say a Mass at your parish or cover for your pastor while he is away?

**What if we are having difficulty locating additional priests?**

We have a team that is currently contacting priests that have been friends of Men of Christ in the past and have heard confessions. Let us know and we will help you. Please act on this soon because priests will commit to a parish that asks them first.

**My parish has a deacon. How can they be involved?**

We are hoping your deacon(s) can be very involved! Please ask them to be at your Mass and if they could coordinate the Eucharist Adoration and Benediction while the priest(s) are hearing confessions.

**Do priests get a stipend for hearing confessions?**

We will not be organizing this and will be up to the individual parish.

**My parish does not have a priest, but we do have a deacon. Will this change the agenda?**

Please work with your deacon to do a communion service in lieu of a Mass.

**Will there be food, beverages, etc. provided?**

We will not be organizing this and will be up to the individual parish.

**Is the schedule firm - what if we cannot do mass at 8:00 AM?**

We do realize that some parishes will not be able to follow the recommended agenda - i.e. - mass can only be at 9:00 AM (and not 8:00 AM). Please modify the agenda to suit your individual parish's needs.

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**What is a DMG?**

DMG = Dynamic Men's Group. Many parishes have a dedicated men's group that will meet weekly and is a means of fellowship and builds a band of Catholic brothers?

**How can I start a DMG at my parish?**

Absolutely. We can provide you with the necessary resources to this and many of these resources take minimal effort. Please let us know how we can help you!

**How is Men of Christ paying for this?**

We will be asking for a freewill donation at each parish. We need to cover the costs of the speakers, the production/distribution of the video, the printing of the programs, etc.

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**What is the last "LOCAL" talk?**

We would like you to discuss this with your pastor. At your parish is there a deacon (or deacon candidate), a seminarian or priest that could be asked to help?

**Is this only a Catholic conference? Can I bring men that are not Catholic?**

This conference is open to all men of all walks of life. Everyone is welcome to attend!

**Can we incorporate praying the Rosary or the Divine Mercy Chaplet?**

Yes! We encourage men to do this and any other devotional at your parish. This will be up to you to plan and coordinate at your parish?

**What are the three roles - what does my team need to do?**

- Lead - the guy who handles the ins-and-outs of the day of the conference
- Technician - the guy who oversees playing the recorded presentations
- Parish Capitan/DMG Leader - the guy who spreads the word and builds a team to spread the word and drive attendance - attendees from your parish and surrounding parishes

**Will there be flyers and bulletin announcements made available to us?**

Yes. We have made editable documents that you can personalize for your parish. These are available on the Men of Christ website ([menofchrist.net](http://menofchrist.net))

**What is the best way to contact guys to have them come and be engaged?**

Here it is in order of effectiveness:

- Personal invite - speak with someone in person
- Personal call - call parishioners, family members, friends
- Text - if they did not pick up the call you just made then immediately follow-up with a text to the same number
- Email - absolutely the last resort

**Do you have a listing of men for my parish/area that have attended the conference in the past?**

Yes - we can provide that information to you and is a great start for both building your parish team and for calling to join you at the conference.