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**Date:** September 25, 2020

**To:** Pastors, parish communicators, men and women religious, chancery staff, school presidents and principals

**From:** The Most Reverend Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv., Archbishop of Atlanta

**Re:** Update on dispensation, in-parish worship and access to parish facilities

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The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass will now remain in place until further notice. We will continue to monitor guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and the Georgia Department of Public Health and make changes as needed.

One other significant change to our guidance is that since restrictions on visitation to nursing and assisted living facilities have been revised, ministers may now visit those facilities that are allowing visitation subject to the directives of the facility and the guidance in the link below.

We are including the entire guidance for your review since many changes have been made since it was first issued.

<https://archatl.com/2020renewal/2020/09/update-on-dispensation-in-parish-worship-and-access-to-parish-facilities/>