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MEMORANDUM

TO: Priests, Pastoral Coordinators, and Parish and Mission Secretaries/Bookkeepers

FROM: ¹⁹¹Tim Thomas, Executive Director of Administration and Finance

DATE: October 15, 2020

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Questionnaire Clarification

As the legal ground has shifted this month, I am hoping to clarify some items covered in the recent COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Plan daily questionnaire that was sent to you last week.

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As such, there are only two Michigan orders right now you need to be concerned with: [DHHS Emergency Order of October 9](#), and [MIOSHA Emergency Rules of October 14](#).

The DHHS Order (Section 4.d) and MIOSHA Rules (Rule 6) both restate the "daily questionnaire" screening requirement. It only applies to "employees or contractors" entering the workplace. Other visitors to diocese buildings, such as mass attendees and CCD students, fall under the "crowd control" and "masking" requirements of the DHHS Order and MIOSHA Rules.

This means that there is NO requirement to fill out the daily questionnaire for visitors, Mass attendees, and faith formation students. The expectation is to continue with mask wearing, providing sanitizer near entrances, hand washing, social distancing, capacity limits, and hanging of posters with COVID-19 guidelines.

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