



## **Parish Post-Pandemic Plan**

### **Sample Pastor Letter #4**

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**Announcement of Commemorative event**

Dear Parish Family —

The events of the past eighteen months have been challenging for all of us. While we rejoice that life is finally returning to normal, we also must recognize that many parishioners experienced pain, hardship, loss, and grief during the pandemic. And sadly, we were not able to support one another in person as we usually would. We were not able to mourn together and bring one another the peace of Jesus Christ.

To recognize and remember the losses we experienced, and to finally support one another, we are holding a commemoration event, [name of event. Example: Remembering Together]. We hope your family will join us to commemorate all the ways in which the pandemic affected our parish community.

Please join us at **XX Parish** on **DATE** for a parish commemoration event. Here are the details:

**What:** (Insert the name/type of event) Example: Candlelight procession and Mass

**Where:** (Insert location) Example: Join us for a candlelight procession around church property and Mass in the church.

**When:** (Insert date) Example: September 9 at 6:00 p.m.

**What do you need to bring:** Photos of any loved ones who were lost during the pandemic to carry in the procession and place on the altar. Candles will be provided. Safe social distancing will be practiced so don't forget your mask!

***“I come back safely to my father’s house, the LORD will be my God.” Gn 28:21***

We look forward to seeing you on the (Insert date).