



COVID-19 Safety Plan

EVENT REGISTRATION

1. All registrations are made online at www.walktomary.com. There will be no in person registrations allowed.

PILGRIMS WILL BE TRANSPORTED BY BUSES AS FOLLOWS:

1. To Start - From HUMANA Parking Lot to start location at St. Norbert College.
2. Lunch Stop – From Holy Cross School at Bay Settlement across HWY 57 to Intersection of Van Lanen Road and Hemlock Road.
3. From End Back to Starting Location – From National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, Champion, WI to Starting Location(s)

Lamers Bus Lines contracts with Walk to Mary, Inc. to provide transportation services to pilgrims throughout the day of pilgrimage.

Lamers Bus Lines' standard COVID-19 procedures are as follows:

During Pre-Trip inspection of each bus:

1. Each driver will “self-check” to verify they are healthy before reporting for work. Drivers may be screened, including temperature checks that follow CDC guidelines.
2. Before departure, drivers check that the bus is equipped with adequate hand sanitizer, company provided disinfectant spray, masks for passengers, and rags/towels.

During Routes

1. For both Driver and Passenger safety, each bus's capacity will be limited (for example - half of normal capacity).
 - a. Passengers will sit one to a seat, unless passengers have traveled in vehicles together to the Walk to Mary or if passengers are family members or close friends who have previously been together. Then, and only then, are more than one passenger allowed in a seat.
 - b. Passengers will be encouraged to sit in every other seat to ensure social distancing.
2. Driver and Passengers will be required to wear face masks. Face masks will be made available on the bus for those who need them.
3. During the route/trip, if feasible, drivers will load and unload in a manner that will minimize close interaction between Passengers. Where practical, the driver can step off the bus during loading/unloading to avoid having Passengers pass in the driver's proximity.

Definitions:

1. Dwell time: the amount of time the cleaning product must remain on the surface and stay wet before wiping occurs to properly sanitize the surface.
2. Coarse Spray Device: The sprayer device must provide an aperture in accordance with the manufacturer recommendations on the SDS sheet.
3. Micron: the size of the spray pattern.
4. Safety Data Sheet (SDS): a document that is available that contains information related to workplace safety considerations, which can include product identification, hazards, PPE, Phy/chem properties, first aid measures and more.
5. Cleaning: the process of removing unwanted substances, such as dirt, infectious agents, and other impurities, from an object or environment.
6. Disinfection: the process of cleaning something, especially with a chemical, in order to destroy bacteria.
7. High Touch Surfaces: surfaces or areas that most often get touched by people's hands.

Cleaning Procedures:

After each run, the driver will perform a Sanitizing, which involves spraying and wiping frequently touched objects and high touch surfaces with disinfectant chemical. Driver will use either TB Quat or DDDS to perform this sanitizing. The dwell time for both products is 3 minutes. If more time can be allotted for dwell time then driver will do so.

1. Start at the front of the bus. Spray must be within 6 - 8 inches of the surface sprayed. Spray until the surface appears wet. The surface must remain wet and undisturbed for a minimum of three (3) minutes prior to wiping to effectively kill the virus.
2. Move throughout bus from the front of the bus to the back of the bus spraying as you go.
3. When all of the high touch surfaces are wet, go back to where spraying began. Make sure 3 minutes has elapsed since spraying started.
4. Go through bus in the same pattern while spraying and wipe down the wet surfaces.
5. If trip or route is done and there is enough time before next trip or route for the disinfectant to dry naturally, leave surfaces wet and allow them to air dry.

START – OLD ST. JOSEPH CHURCH AT ST. NORBERT COLLEGE, DE PERE, WI

1. Opening Liturgy will be held outside of Old St. Joseph Church with altar by steps and front entrance with podium, microphones and wireless speakers. Pilgrims will spread out outside of church and into the street and parking lot outside of church, completely outdoors.
2. St. Norbert College Campus mandates that masks will be worn outside and inside everywhere on campus.
3. The sacrament of confession will be held outdoors.
4. For those pilgrims who want to visit the National Shrine of St. Joseph, there will be controlled access into and out of the Shrine from separate doors, respecting social distancing and all other CDC guidelines for indoor spaces.
5. Pilgrims will have a staggered start, allowing 50 pilgrims at a time with 3 - 5 minutes between groups. Pilgrims will be asked to keep at least 6 feet between individuals/families/personal groups throughout their walking pilgrimage.

BATHROOM BREAKS, WATER STATIONS AND SANITATION STATIONS

1. There are portable toilets supplied by John's Johns of New Franken, WI approximately every 2 – 3 miles along the entire route.
2. The number of portable toilets placed along the route coincides with the number of registered pilgrims for the event. Our experience guides us on the number of portable toilets placed at each location.
3. This year we will double the number of portable toilets at every location to minimize the number of people waiting in lines to use the portable toilets. The portable toilets will be placed farther apart for social distancing as well.
4. All portable toilets have hand sanitizers in them and air vents on the top for air circulation.
5. The portable toilets used earlier in the route are repurposed and moved to be used later in the route. When the portable toilets are moved they will be sprayed, sanitized and cleaned before relocated.
6. There will be hand washing stations at every location.
7. Touchless sanitizers for pilgrim used will be added to every location.
8. Bottled water will be supplied at every location. Will not have water refill stations like in the past.

LUNCH STOP – HOLY CROSS SCHOOL AT BAY SETTLEMENT

1. An outdoor station will be set up for pilgrims to receive their lunch.
2. To help minimize waiting in lines for lunch there will two stations set up.
3. After receiving lunch pilgrims will be required to eat lunch outdoors in a large outdoor tent. The school gymnasium may be used only if the weather is nasty. In this situation only a limited number of people maintaining social distancing will be allowed to eat lunch in the gymnasium.
4. There will be washing stations/restrooms, touchless sanitizers both inside and outside for pilgrims.
5. Buses will load to cross Hwy 57 starting at approximately 11:30am for those who are starting at this location and will continue to load as pilgrims finish their lunch with minimal wait times.

END – NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GOOD HELP, CHAMPION, WI

The National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help has been continually and safely accommodating visiting pilgrims since the start of the pandemic. In addition to their normal COVID-19 procedures, during the day of the Walk to Mary, the Shrine will hold additional Masses for Pilgrims. Masses will be held in Mother of Mercy Hall, a large capacity building that accommodates overflow seating outside of the building (normal occupancy inside hall is 1,100, outside is 2,500+). Use of this space along with multiple Masses should allow us to maintain appropriate distancing for expected attendance. State, local and diocesan guidelines for distancing, masking and cleaning will continue to be followed for this event.