



COVID-19 UPDATES

September 16, 2020

As the coronavirus pandemic continues so too does our uncompromising commitment and priority of safety for all persons in our charge at the Cenacle Retreat & Conference Center.

As such, a decision was reached during the week of September 7, 2020 to extend the closure of the Retreat & Conference Center (and the entire Cenacle property) until, at least, June 1, 2021.

- All groups and programs through June 1, 2021 are now cancelled
- We will not be able to reschedule or book new groups at this time
- We will reassess our situation around Thanksgiving and provide an update at that time.
- Group refund requests or questions should be sent to Mark Piper at mpiper@cenaclechicago.org; refund requests must be made in writing (email) and will be reviewed and/or processed in a timely manner.
- While the Prayer Enrollment Office is open for online and phone orders, the Retreat & Conference Center phone lines remain on night mode. Any questions or concerns should be sent via email to Mark Piper at mpiper@cenaclechicago.org
- We ask for your prayers as we assure you that the Sisters continue to pray for us all.

July 1, 2020

Safety was, is, and continues to be the uncompromising priority of the Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center. Although we are happy Illinois and Chicago are progressing in their phased re-opening, the pandemic has not gone away and with the safety of guests/visitors, resident Sisters, staff, and our

neighbors in Lincoln Park, as a primary concern, the Cenacle is extending its closure for the duration of 2020. We earnestly want to welcome you back, but we do not feel we can responsibly and safely welcome guests on our campus, at this time.

- All groups and programs for the rest of 2020 are cancelled
- We will not be able to reschedule or book new groups for the remainder of 2020
- We will reassess our re-opening plan and procedures around Thanksgiving and provide an update on our 2021 re-opening at that time.
- Group refund requests or questions should be sent to Mark Piper at mpiper@cenaclechicago.org – refund requests must be made in writing (email) and will be reviewed and/or processed beginning with the week of July 13, 2020.

May 18, 2020

The Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center, in accord with the mandates of the State of Illinois, has extended our closure through the entire month of June. We look forward to continuing our retreats and hosting our outside groups when the stay-at-home mandate is lifted. Until that time, we send blessings to you, your organization, and our tender world for shared health and safety. If you have questions or concerns about a scheduled Conference Center event, please contact Mark Piper at mpiper@cenaclechicago.org

April 16, 2020

In light of the extended shelter-in-place mandates from the Governor of Illinois, and announcements from the Mayor of Chicago, and the Cardinal Archbishop of Chicago, the suspension of normal operations of the Cenacle Retreat and Conference Center has been extended until at least May 17, 2020. We remain closed to the public and will continue to post updates when prudent. Prayer Enrollment will reopen for online and phone orders only, in accord with the Governor's mandate, on May 4, 2020. Thank you for your understanding. The Sisters and Staff hold you and our world, in prayer. If you have any questions about the Conference Center or re-scheduling an event, please contact Mark Piper at mpiper@cenaclechicago.org

March 13, 2020

Safety, of our guests, resident Sisters, and employees, is our uncompromising priority. Considering the designation of the coronavirus, COVID-19, as a pandemic and a national emergency the Chicago Cenacle and all of its offices (Prayer Enrollment, Ministry, and the Retreat and Conference Center) have suspended normal operations effectively immediately. We are closed to the public until medical professionals, elected officials, and our own prudential judgement dictate otherwise. Please know we take seriously the safety of guests and cleanliness of our campus very seriously. We are taking additional steps to ensure the safety and health of our guests when the time arrives to reopen our facility. For the protection of everyone, we ask that our retreatants be mindful of their health status before coming on

retreat. For the most updated information regarding COVID-19 please refer to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) or your local health authority. If you have questions about a scheduled retreat, please contact the director of the Retreat and Conference Center, Mark Piper at mpiper@cenaclechicago.org