

## NIIGATA CATHOLIC CHURCH INFORMATION (November 2022)

### Events and Activities

\* Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup> • English Mass -12:00 noon

(Cleaning of the restrooms in/outside the parish hall after the Mass)

\* Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> • English Mass -12:00 noon

(Cleaning of the restrooms in/outside the parish hall after the Mass)

\* Before and after the English Mass, members of the International Cooperation Department would like to show foreign laity how to do preparations for the Mass and what to do after the Mass has concluded. Please join us by participating in the services.

Please check the church website for the latest information as the schedules may be subject to change.



URL: <http://cathedral-niigata.jp>

### Announcements

1) Thank you for your generosity in responding to the call to donate to the food bank.

Your donations, along with the others from the neighboring parishes, were handed over to the director of the Food Bank Niigata (NPO) on Wednesday, October 19th. Thank you again and God bless you.

2) The revised Japanese text of the Order of Mass has been authorized by the Holy See, and the new text will be used in all Japanese Masses in Japan in effect as of the coming First Sunday of Advent, November 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be some changes from the current expressions, so please be aware of this when you attend Japanese Masses.

3) If you would like to order the 2023 Catholic schedule planner or calendar, please fill out the order form at the church shop as soon as possible.

Open hours	Sundays	-10:30am – 12:00 noon
	Tuesdays & Thursdays	- 11:00am – 3:30 pm

4) Due to the downward trend in the number of new cases of Covid-19, our parish council has decided to discontinue the entry of participants' names and contact details at all Masses from October onwards. Therefore, it is not necessary for the English Mass participants to fill out the participation form as of November.

However, as the pandemic is not over yet, we ask for your continual cooperation in the following infection control measures. Thank you.

5) The following are required during the resumption of Masses with the congregation.

- Please wear a face mask before you enter the church compound. Face masks should be worn throughout the celebration of the Mass and should be worn properly covering both the mouth and nose completely.
- Please sanitize your hands when entering and leaving the church.
- Please sit where you are assigned and maintain at least 1.5 to 2 meters of social distance from others at all times while in the church.
- For now, Holy Communion will only be given in your hands.

6) After the English Mass, the tea room will be closed for the time being.