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BEGINNING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

Special Notice Regarding the St. Monica Church Parking Lot

Dear School Parents,

In recent months over two hundred cars and trucks each day are using the entranceway next to the Credit Union as a freeway to and from Rockside Road. These cars are not using our parking lot to come to St. Monica Church, the Credit Union, St. Benedict Catholic School, or to the Parish Office. Not only are they using our parking lot as a short-cut between Rockside Road and Thraves Avenue, but many cars and trucks are speeding through this entranceway. It has become dangerous to walk across the parking lot.

As a result of this concern, the Thraves Road entrance to our parking lot, next to the Ohio Catholic Federal Credit Union, will be closed. A semi-permanent gate will be installed on that entranceway. The other entranceway from Thraves Road, next to the Pavilion, will remain open. The reason for this decision is safety.

With the closure of this entranceway, we are asking our school families to use only the Rockside Road entranceways when coming to St. Benedict Catholic School in the mornings or afternoons. The other entranceway to Thraves Road (next to the Pavilion) can be used to exit the parking lot as is being done now. There will be no change in the procedure of exiting the parking lot in the mornings or in the afternoons.

As the Pastor of St. Monica Church, I am very interested in the safety of all persons entering our parish grounds. I know that the closing of this entranceway will cause inconvenience to our parishioners and to our school families. But I believe, after much consultation, that this gate is necessary to insure a safer environment on our parking lot. I ask for your patience and understanding of this decision.

Thank you,

Fr. Thomas Haren
Pastor
St. Monica Church

No Entrance
or
Exit

Thraves Road

Exit Only

Credit Union

X

Field

Pavilion

Bike Rack



Before/After
Care Drop-off
& Pick-up

PARKING LOT

PARK
FACING
THE FIELD

PARISH OFFICE
PARKING LOT
ONLY

PARKING LOT



Coned Area

Church

Rectory

School

Parish
Office

Entrance Only

Rockside Road

Enter ONLY AM

