Memo

To: Pastors; liturgy directors
From: James Cavanagh, Director
Date: February 27, 2020
Re: When to cover crosses – Fifth Sunday of Lent

Q. When during Lent do we cover the crosses?

A. According to the Roman Missal:

“In the Dioceses of the United States the practice of covering crosses and images throughout the church from this Sunday [Fifth Sunday of Lent] may be observed. Crosses remain covered until the end of the Celebration of the Lord's passion on Good Friday, but images remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil.” (Roman Missal, instruction for the Fifth Sunday of Lent).