

## **Eucharistic Celebrations at Non-Consecrated Sites**

**Policy No. 515**

- Policy Statement:*** The ordinary place for the celebration of the Eucharist and Eucharistic Adoration is on consecrated sites. Permission may be obtained to celebrate at non-consecrated sites under certain conditions.
- Intent of Policy:*** To allow for the celebration of the Eucharist and Eucharistic Adoration at non-consecrated sites.
- Definition:*** **Consecrated Sites** are Catholic churches, chapels, cemeteries, schools, shrines, Camp Encounter and Our Lady of Victory Camp.
- Non-Consecrated Sites** include but are not limited to hotels, community halls/centres, conference centres, arenas, and non-Catholic camps.
- Procedure:***
- a) Forward the request in writing to the Office of the Chancellor at the beginning stages of the planning process.
  - b) Include the following information with the request:
    - Description of location
    - Reason for selecting a non-consecrated site
    - Day of the week (Sunday or weekday)
    - Number of participants
    - Purpose
    - Spiritual well-being of participants
    - Name of the priest - main celebrant
  - c) Obtain permits from the appropriate governmental authorities prior to the celebration, if required.
  - d) Follow all liturgical rubrics.
  - e) Maintain respect and reverence for the Eucharist at all times.
  - f) Distribute consecrated hosts only. The distribution of the Blood of Christ is not permitted.
  - g) Use proper vestments, vessels, linens, especially a corporal.
  - h) Designate an extra-ordinary minister of the Eucharist who is responsible to repose the remaining Blessed Sacrament from the celebration to a parish church.

***Refer to Policy:***

No. 514 Liturgical Celebrations within the School Context

