



Back Together Sunday Verbal Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENT #1

(Two to three weeks before Back Together Sunday)

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As a new school year begins, families throughout our community are settling into new routines. It's one of the best times of the year for people to reconnect with their parish family and return to regular Sunday Mass.

That's why our parish is celebrating **Back Together Sunday** on [date]. More than a special Sunday, it's an opportunity to renew our commitment to being a parish where every person is warmly welcomed and invited into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

Over the coming weeks, our parish will be reaching out to parishioners through letters, postcards, phone calls, and personal invitations to let them know they are missed and always welcome here.

We also ask you to prayerfully consider one person—a friend, neighbor, coworker, fellow parent, or family member—whom you could personally invite to join you for Mass on [date]. Your invitation may be exactly what they need as they begin a new season.

ANNOUNCEMENT #2

(One to two weeks before Back Together Sunday)

As we prepare for **Back Together Sunday** on [date], remember that the beginning of the school year is one of the greatest opportunities to welcome people back to church. As families establish new routines, many are looking for community, stability, and hope.

Together, let's make our parish a place where everyone feels they belong.

You can help by moving toward the center of the pew, parking a little farther away if you're able, introducing yourself to someone you don't know, offering a warm smile, and looking for opportunities to welcome visitors or young families.

Small acts of hospitality can make an eternal difference. Together, let's ensure every person who walks through our doors experiences the love of Christ through our parish family.

ANNOUNCEMENT #3

(The weekend before and on Back Together Sunday)

This weekend we celebrate **Back Together Sunday**.

As families begin another school year, we're making a special effort to welcome everyone who joins us for Mass. Over the past several weeks, our parish has been reaching out through personal invitations and messages of welcome. Thank you to everyone who has invited someone to join them today.

If someone is sitting near you whom you haven't met before, introduce yourself after Mass. If you notice a visitor, a young family, or someone attending alone, help them feel at home.

Our hope is that **Back Together Sunday** becomes more than one special weekend. May it be the beginning of a parish culture where every Sunday is a welcoming Sunday, every visitor is treated like family, and every person encounters the love of Jesus Christ through the welcome they receive from this community.