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RESOURCES FOR PARISHES

- Maryland Catholic Conference Website:
<https://www.mdccatholic.org/parish-elections>
- Resources Include:
 - Congressional Candidate Survey Responses
 - Parish Toolkit (bulletin announcements, Mass intercessions, social media graphics, etc..)
 - Social Media Graphics
 - *Faithful Citizenship* Material
 - *Civilize It* Initiative Material

The slide includes a small graphic on the left with the text: "I PLEDGE... 'TO RECOGNIZE THE HUMAN DIGNITY OF THOSE WITH WHOM I DISAGREE, TREAT OTHERS WITH RESPECT, AND RISE ABOVE ATTACKS WHEN DIRECTED AT ME.'" and the hashtag #CivilizeIt2020. Below this is the text "CIVILIZE IT" with a small icon.

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HOW DO I VOTE IN THE 2020 ELECTION?

- **VOTE BY MAIL**
 - You must request a mail-in ballot from the State Board of Elections or your local board of elections by Oct. 20, 2020. Mail-in ballots must be postmarked or placed in designated drop box by 8pm on November 3, 2020
- **EARLY IN PERSON VOTING**
 - Early in person voting will be held from 7am – 8pm beginning October 26, 2020 through November 2, 2020. A list of early voting centers can be found here: <https://elections.maryland.gov/elections/2020/2020%20Early%20Voting%20Centers.pdf>
- **ELECTION DAY IN PERSON VOTING**
 - Election Day in person voting will be held from 7am-8pm on November 3, 2020
 - The voting centers can be found at the same link above. Please note many centers are new this year and many counties have significantly cut back on in-person voting centers. Please check before you vote in person.

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HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE?

- To register to vote or update your registration information, visit: www.elections.maryland.gov and click the large icon on the righthand side of the page that says, **“Register to Vote”**. The deadline to register or update your registration online is **October 13, 2020**.
- You may also register to vote or update your information in person during early voting or on election day.

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HOW DO I REQUEST A MAIL-IN BALLOT?

- You must request a mail-in ballot from the State Board of Elections or your local board. You can do so by mail, fax, or online. The request must be received by **October 20, 2020**.
- The State Board of Elections automatically sent most eligible voters an application for mail-in ballot by first class mail along with a postage-paid return envelope – this would have arrived in the mail in late August or early September.

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HOW DO I VOTE BY MAIL?

- Ballots will be delivered starting at the end of September.
- If you chose to receive your ballot by email, you will receive an email with a link that will allow you to print and mail your ballot (***some issues have been reported & you will have to pay postage*).
- Return your ballot in the postage-paid return envelope that accompanies your ballot.
 - They must be mailed or dropped in a designated drop box location by 8pm on Election Day
 - Remember to use black ink to mark your ballot
 - Sign the return envelope – **DO NOT SIGN THE BALLOT!**
 - Seal the return envelope
 - Use the postage-paid return envelope that accompanies your ballot
 - Marylanders can use a ballot drop box to return their mail-in ballot. At least 200 drop boxes will be available state-wide. A list is posted at: www.elections.maryland.gov

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HOW DOES EARLY IN PERSON VOTING WORK?

- Early in person voting will take place starting on Monday, October 26th – November 2nd (including Saturday and Sunday) from 7am – 8pm.
- Voters can cast their vote at any vote center in their county of residence. Baltimore City will have 8 centers available in the City for early in person voting.
 - <https://elections.maryland.gov/elections/2020/2020%20Early%20Voting%20Centers.pdf>

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HOW DO I VOTE IN PERSON ON ELECTION DAY?

- Approximately 350 voting centers will be open on election day.
 - You will receive a mailing in October that will tell you where and when you can vote in person.
 - Voters will be kept six feet apart and there will be a limit on the number of people allowed inside voter centers.
 - The best time to vote in person is between 10am – 3pm on Election Day.
 - Voting centers will be open from 7am – 8pm on Election Day.

CONCLUSION

- If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the Maryland Catholic Conference.
- Office Phone Number: 410-269-1155
- EMAIL: mccoffice@mdcatholic.org
- WEBSITE: www.mdcatholic.org

“Conscience is the
voice of God
resounding in the
human heart, revealing
the truth to us.”

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