

**POLICY - 2020-08-26 - Use of Narthex for a funeral wake - St. Matthew Staff Meeting via Zoom**

**This policy on the use of the narthex for the purpose of a funeral wake concerns lay people (non-consecrated, non-religious, non-ordained persons): the use of the narthex is limited to no more than one hour prior to the funeral Mass when (1) there is no other wake at any other place and (2) the deceased person is elderly or the circle of family and friends is so small that the narthex will not be overcrowded.**