



## OFFICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

### PERMISSION FOR MASS OUTSIDE OF A SACRED PLACE

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As a reminder, the normal place for the celebration of Mass is a sacred place, such as a Catholic church, oratory, or shrine. Permission must be obtained from the Vicar General/Chancellor to celebrate any **public** Masses outside of a sacred place. General permission is given for priests to celebrate **private** Masses outside of a sacred place. For example, on his day off, a priest may celebrate Mass in a private home with friends or family.