



**Office of the Bishop**  
*Diocese of Brooklyn*

310 Prospect Park West  
Brooklyn, New York 11215

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: PASTORS / ADMINISTRATORS

FROM: BISHOP NICHOLAS DiMARZIO *Nd*

DATE: SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

RE: **2 TICKETS PER WORSHIP SITE FOR YOUR PARISHIONERS**  
PAPAL MASS AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2015 - 6:30 P.M.

As we prepare for the visit of the Holy Father to New York, we have *just* received confirmation for the number of tickets being provided to the Diocese of Brooklyn by the Archdiocese of New York for the Papal Mass to be held at Madison Square Garden (MSG), on **Friday, September 25, at 6:30 p.m.**

Because of the limited seats available at Madison Square Garden, we are able to offer **"2" TICKETS TO EACH WORSHIP SITE IN BROOKLYN AND QUEENS.** We have been informed that we will receive the tickets "sometime toward the end of next week." **How the "2" tickets per worship site are disseminated is up to the Pastor / Administrator.**

**Tickets will NOT be mailed.** All worship sites in Queens County will need to pick up the tickets at the Immaculate Conception Center, Douglaston, and all worship sites in Kings County will need to pick up the tickets at 310 Prospect Park West. **We will notify you again as soon as we receive the tickets from the Archdiocese.**

**Tickets are NOT FOR SALE and are NOT TRANSFERRABLE.**

- Doors at MSG open at 2:00 p.m. **Ticket holders must arrive no later than 3:00.**
- Given the early required arrival, a 2-hour, pre-event beginning at 3:00 p.m. has been planned.
- Confessions will be heard before Mass.
- Concession stands at MSG will be open for food and beverages.
- At the conclusion of the Mass, all should expect to remain in place for about 30 minutes, until the Holy Father has left the arena.

It will be a very long day and New York City public transportation, especially in Manhattan, will be very tough to navigate. Any person with special needs who is requesting a ticket should be advised accordingly.