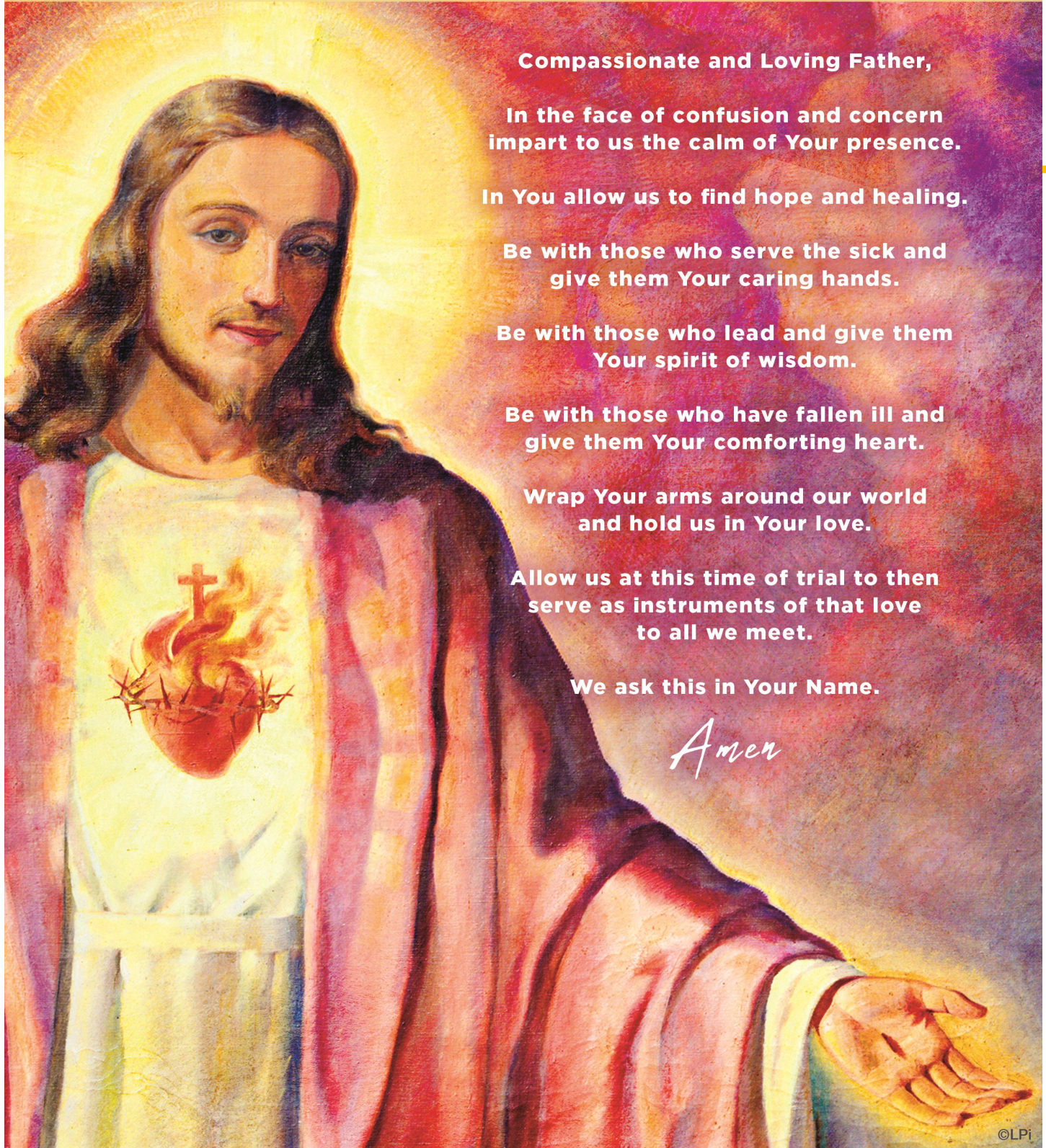


March 22, 2020

Remember in Your Prayers

ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD



Compassionate and Loving Father,

In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of Your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and
give them Your caring hands.

Be with those who lead and give them
Your spirit of wisdom.

Be with those who have fallen ill and
give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap Your arms around our world
and hold us in Your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love
to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name.

Amen

2 St. Andrew Staff Directory, Councils & Commissions

Weekend
Masses: Saturday Suspended
 Sunday Suspended

Weekday
Masses: Suspended
Chaplet of Divine Mercy:
Rosary:

Reconciliation: 3:30 p.m. Saturday

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On The Lenten Journey

+Who would have ever thought that just a couple weeks ago, the world, our country, and our state and community would be taking such drastic measures to ward off the spread of COVID-19? Such unprecedented actions by the local Church (and in many places throughout the country's churches) are reflective of the serious nature of our combined effort to prevent the further spread of the virus. Let us all work together, reaching out to those in particular need—especially our elderly—to help contain this horrible illness as soon as possible!

In light of the changes to what is happening in our local Archdiocese, please note that we will keep you informed as quickly as we can, through our website and Facebook page. We are putting together a bulletin to be posted on line and with some copies printed for the church when you could pick them up should you stop in to pray. Hopefully we will have Sunday mass from St. Andrew on line this weekend. Please help get information to those parishioners who you know are not “connected” electronically by giving your friends a call with the latest news. Your help will be greatly appreciated—AND YOUR PRAYERS ARE CRITICAL FOR HELPING ALL OF US WALK TOGETHER IN THE LORD AS WE FACE THIS CHALLENGE! St. Andrew, pray and protect us! Mary, Mother of Jesus, intercede for us, your children! Amen!

Now, as we go into the Fourth Week of Lent.....

+In the first reading of this Sunday, we are given a glimpse into the ways of God. The least of all became the first, chosen by God to be a king. From that day forward, any success David might enjoy would be proof of God's favor, giving strength to David's weakness. In choosing the unlikely one, the unanticipated one, one seemingly so small for a task so great, God shows us that nothing is impossible with his help. God sees potential where all we might see are shortcomings. God envisions more for us than we could ever imagine.

The second reading from Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians is a clarion call to this truth about God. Paul exhorts the people of Ephesus to *live as children of the light*. For God desires more of us than for us to live in darkness. He sent his Son to overcome darkness with light, that we might all *arise from the dead*, and receive the light of Christ.

This glimpse into the ways of God, and the contrast between darkness and light, set the stage for today's Gospel. Rather than rejoicing that the blind man has been given the gift of sight, he is accused of sin as if he was to blame for his blindness. Many in Jesus' time considered blindness to be God's curse. A blind man was a “nobody” since he was unable to work to provide for a spouse and family, and he lived as a beggar on the streets. For Jesus to give this man sight is akin to a rebirth into society. He gives him new hope and a better life. The Lord offers the same to all who believe.

This lengthy Gospel forms the basis for the Second Scrutiny for the Elect preparing for baptism. It serves as a reminder to us that we are all born blind, and we receive our sight at baptism when we are first able to look at the world through the fresh eyes of faith. Indeed, the Lord states his purpose clearly: *I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see*. Thus, from the young and unexpected King David's lineage came another young and unexpected king: Jesus Christ. Though Him, God has reconciled us to himself, brought us out of darkness into light, and given us the eyes of faith to declare *I do believe, Lord*.

As our Lenten journey has passed the halfway point, we pray that the Lord may continue to open our eyes to what we need to see, to heal us of our blind spots and to acknowledge the sins we overlook. May we look at each other the way God looks at each of us—with love and with mercy, because God desires more for us than we could ever imagine. And may the grace of our prayers help to transform us to lead lives pleasing to the Lord, producing every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth.

Through the eyes of faith that the Lord has given us, may we too declare ***I do believe, Lord!***

+Know that all of you and your families are in my thoughts and prayers. Your continued generosity in supporting our parish during this time is much, much appreciated! We, as you, may be struggling with the financial side of things, so your contributions are so important. They may be mailed in, brought to the Office, or consider signing up for Electronic Funds Transfers.

+ God bless you! I do look forward to seeing you in church—hopefully sooner rather than later!

-Msgr. Mike (with thoughts from
FAITH Catholic Publishing)

Keeping the Faith during these uncertain times

While the Coronavirus has caused us to change our normal routines, there are still wonderful ways that we can continue to pray, strengthen, and grow in our faith, even though we cannot celebrate together Sacramentally. Below are just a few ideas that can be used at home by you or your family.

- Formed.org is a resource available to you with many resources for prayer, study, children's videos, family videos, books, and audio recordings on various topics.
- Read and discuss the daily and Sunday readings as a family
- Pray the Rosary or Stations of the Cross as a family
- Take time to commune with God in His creation by taking a walk
- Utilize the Lenten Little Black Book for daily reflections (copies are still available in the chapel hallway)
- Pray through Lent with Creighton University's online ministry <https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/>
- Loyola Press has several resources online <https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/lent>

What follows is a copy of the text from Archbishop Gomez of Los Angeles, President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

With the worldwide outbreak of the coronavirus, we are confronted once more with the fragility of our lives, and again we are reminded of our common humanity — that the peoples of this world are our brothers and sisters, that we are all one family under God.

God does not abandon us, he goes with us even now in this time of trial and testing. In this moment, it is important for us to anchor our hearts in the hope that we have in Jesus Christ. Now is the time to intensify our prayers and sacrifices for the love of God and the love of our neighbor. Let us draw closer to one another in our love for him, and rediscover the things that truly matter in our lives.

United with our Holy Father Pope Francis, let us pray in solidarity for our brothers and sisters here and around the world who are sick. Let us pray for those who have lost loved ones to this virus. May God console them and grant them peace.

We pray also for doctors, nurses, and caregivers, for public health officials and all civic leaders. May God grant them courage and prudence as they seek to respond to this emergency with compassion and in service to the common good.

In this time of need, I invite all the faithful to seek together the maternal intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and I share this prayer with you:

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,
Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.

For those already afflicted,
we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and
deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and
fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.

In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one another and
to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to
our hearts.

We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are our compassionate
mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.
Amen.

<http://www.usccb.org/news/2020/20-44.cfm>

The RCIA Scrutinies

A Call for Self-Searching and Repentance



The RCIA Scrutinies are special rituals for those preparing for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism/Confirmation/Eucharist) at the Easter Vigil. The Rite of Christian Initiation states: "The Scrutinies are meant to uncover, and then heal all that is weak, defective or sinful in the hearts of the Elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong and good."

Over the next three weeks, those preparing for Baptism will stand before us as we invoke the blessing and power of the Holy Spirit upon them, as well as those Candidates preparing for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Please keep in your prayers: Ryan, Jacqueline, Charlie, Donna, Adam and Carl. This Lenten time is truly a deepening of God's loving Grace.

The Church will be open for personal prayer

Monday – Friday	7:00 am – 8:00 pm
Saturday	8:00 am – 6:00 pm
Sunday	7:00 am – 1:00 pm

*as of March 16, 2020

Upcoming Reconciliation

Tuesday, March 24	5:30 pm - 6:00 pm
Thursday, March 26	9:00 am - 10:00 am
Saturday, March 28	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS MARCH 16 - APRIL 5

MONDAY - FRIDAY
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

SATURDAY
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

SUNDAY
CLOSED

WE APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE
AND LOOK FORWARD TO RESUMING REGULAR HOURS

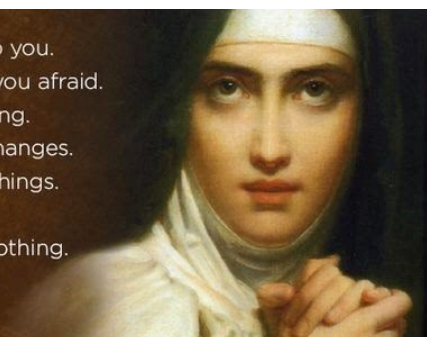
Covid-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

For all who have contracted coronavirus,
We pray for care and healing.
For those who are particularly vulnerable,
We pray for safety and protection.
For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.
For affected families who are facing difficult decisions
between food on the table or public safety,
We pray for policies that recognize their plight.
For those who do not have adequate health insurance,
We pray that no family will face financial burdens
alone.
For those who are afraid to access care due to
immigration status,
We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.
For our brothers and sisters around the world,
We pray for shared solidarity.
For public officials and decision makers,
We pray for wisdom and guidance.
Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of
hope, comfort and love to all.
Grant peace.
Grant comfort.
Grant healing.
Be with us, Lord.
Amen.

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Let nothing disturb you.
Let nothing make you afraid.
All things are passing.
God alone never changes.
Patience gains all things.
If you have God
you will want for nothing.
God alone suffices.

St. Teresa of Avila



The following Programs Are Canceled:

- Life, Justice, Peace, Meeting- 3/24
- Easter Basket Outreach Program
- Lenten Soup Supper- 3/22
- Hope Center- 3/29

Do You Need Help?

St. Andrew Parishioners who are at higher risk from Coronavirus, including older adults and those with chronic medical conditions, or who are currently self-quarantining are encouraged to visit

<http://bit.ly/COVID19assistance> to sign up to receive assistance including grocery and prescription delivery.

Want to Help Vulnerable Parishioners?

If you are a parishioner in good health and 59 years of age or younger, please consider volunteering to help deliver groceries and prescription medications to parishioners at higher risk for serious illness from COVID19.

Those interested can sign up by visiting

<http://bit.ly/COVID19Volunteer>



*"Look into My Heart and see there
the love and mercy which I have for
humankind, and especially for sinners.*

Look, and enter into My Passion"

Jesus to St. Faustina (Diary 1663)

A Prayer Amid an Epidemic

Kerry Weber

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love. (cont.)

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

Jesus Christ, heal us

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How Catholics should respond to the Coronavirus

The Editors, *America*

As of this writing, the new coronavirus illness known as Covid-19 has spread to at least 76 countries, infected nearly 100,000 people and killed over 3,000 worldwide. Even as the spread of the virus has slowed in China, the epicenter of the outbreak, cases are cropping up in communities across the United States, where 12 people have died thus far. This includes cases with no connection to foreign travel, suggesting the virus has been spreading undetected for longer than first estimated. Any pretense that this outbreak could be contained through purely defensive measures—travel restrictions on affected countries and quarantines for returning citizens, for example—is gone. The coronavirus poses a public risk; no individual or country is immune from infection. As such, it requires a proactive, public response centered on the common good.

This response has both individual and structural elements. On the individual level, each person must decide how they can best protect their own health without jeopardizing the well-being of their neighbors. This means neither over- or underreacting. Hoarding goods, especially face masks and hand sanitizer, may provide healthy individuals with the illusion of safety, but it does so by potentially putting health care workers and other caregivers at greater risk if they are unable to access these supplies.

On the other hand, not taking appropriate precautions can also hurt high-risk populations. While Covid-19 is not life-threatening to the vast majority of people (according to one U.S. expert, 80 percent of cases are mild and patients “spontaneously recover”), for the elderly and people with certain underlying medical conditions the mortality rate could be as high as 15 percent. Otherwise healthy individuals who are tempted to ignore guidelines for hygiene practices, social distancing or voluntary quarantine orders must realize that what might feel like the common cold to them could pose a serious threat to their neighbors. They should act accordingly.

There are members of our communities, however, for whom missing work or keeping a sick child home from school to minimize the risk of spreading the virus is not just a temporary inconvenience. Just as some people are at a higher physical risk from the virus, many Americans are more vulnerable to the economic effects of the outbreak. They include the one-third of workers—and two-thirds of low-wage earners—who do not have paid sick leave. Many of these people work in the service sector—restaurants, hotels, retail, home care—where they are regularly in contact with the public. Enabling a sick employee to take time off to get medical care without losing a job or being unable to pay rent is not only a matter of justice for and solidarity with that employee—it is also a proactive defense of public health for

the entire community.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has recommended that employers encourage sick employees to stay home and that they develop “nonpunitive leave policies” in response to the coronavirus outbreak. While in the present crisis, workers may have no choice but to rely on the good will (or risk-aversion) of their employers, the country would be in a better position to contain the spread of this and future epidemics if universal paid sick leave guaranteed that workers did not have to choose between paying their bills and limiting the risk of communal infection.

The outbreak could also exacerbate well-known cracks in the U.S. health care system. The 27 million people in the United States without health insurance and millions more with high-deductible plans may forgo a trip to the doctor for fear of leaving with an exorbitant bill. “In a potential pandemic, the last thing you want people to do is thinking twice about going to the doctor,” Larry Levitt, executive vice president for health policy at the Kaiser Family Foundation, told The Washington Post. Yet, instead of Congress putting forward legislation that has any chance of passing to fill in gaps in the existing system, political energy is still tied up in fights over the Affordable Care Act in the courts.

The \$8.3 billion bipartisan emergency response bill passed by the House on March 4 will bring much-needed resources and relief to federal agencies and state governments working to contain the spread of Covid-19 and develop a vaccine. But here too, stopgap measures are no replacement for well-funded, fully staffed health agencies and a health care system that incentivizes proactive detection and treatment for diseases that threaten the nation’s health and economy.

As urgent as such longer-term structural reforms are, for now, the primary response to the coronavirus outbreak will come at the state, community and individual levels. For most U.S. Catholics, it will entail relatively small disruptions like scrapping travel plans or not receiving Communion from the cup at Mass. Just as our Lenten penance is meant to deepen our relationship with God and our solidarity with all who suffer as the Lord did, we can allow these sacrifices and inconveniences in our daily lives to direct our prayers toward those who have died and their loved ones, our attention toward those who ill or facing financial hardship and our actions toward strengthening the common good, both at home and abroad. The coronavirus poses a threat that knows no borders. As Catholics, neither does our love and concern for our neighbors.

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Lent Continues...

How is it going so far? Opportunities to pray, fast and give abound. In this uncertain time as we face the Coronavirus threat, we might offer up our inconveniences and trials in prayer for those who are suffering. We can give some time to neighbors who could use our help. And we can fast from stock-piling more than our share of resources, such as toilet paper and hand sanitizer!

Why not add some crafts, readings and mealtime ideas to your family's Lenten practices? Find them at loyo-lapress.com and search "Lenten family activities" to find a Lenten calendar packed with fun ideas. Also, if you haven't already signed up for it, "52 Sundays" is a year-round resource for connecting the weekly Gospel to your family's activities. Now would be a great time to check it out. Go to <https://www.52sundays.com/>

In Faith Formation news, the race is on to choose a piece of African Art, Penny Wars style. The purchase of the artwork by a Ugandan artist goes to support the "Water Bucket" project to provide clean drinking water to villages in Uganda. The students very seriously consider which painting they want to "vote" for with their donations; zebras and giraffes, or birds, and it's a fun way to give during Lent. While classes are suspended, donations can be dropped off at the Religious Ed office. If we are not here, just use the mailbox alongside the RE door. Be sure to mark your donation with your choice of art. The beautiful choices are pictured on this page. We'll let you know which one is the winner!

Wishing you continued grace, good health and safety this Lenten season.

Blessing,
Maureen Schreffler
Director of Faith Formation



Family Gathering for 1st Eucharist

Scheduled for March 29
has been Cancelled.

Please watch for further updates.

Religious Education Schedule

Religious Ed classes have been temporarily suspended. We hope to resume on April 13.
Please watch for updates.

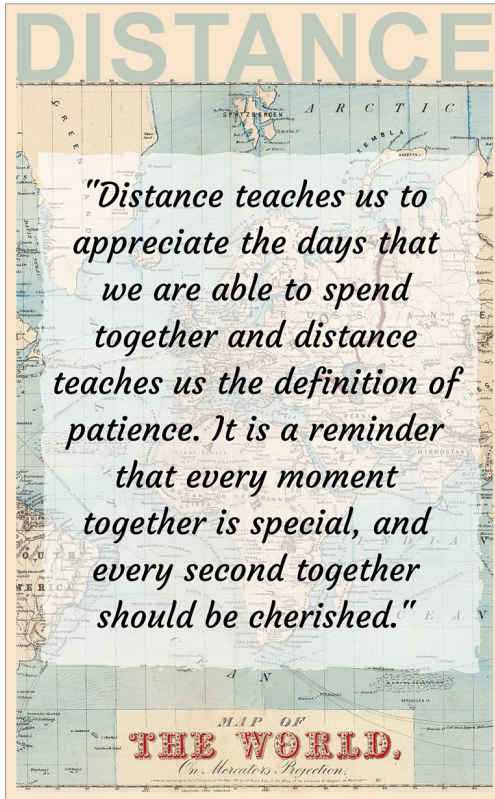
The Faith Formation Staff

is working to help families continue religious education with their children at home, the Domestic Church. Catechists will be sending lesson plans via email, and additional information will be posted in this bulletin and on the parish webpage with First Eucharist and Confirmation updates.

Thank you!



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noun
an amount of space between two things or people.

verb
3rd person present: make (someone or something) far off or remote in position or nature.

With our "Youth Nights" suspended and all of us having to practice social distancing, know that I'm only a text away.

I will be providing ways for you to build a personal relationship with Christ on our WEBSITE under Learn--Youth Ministry.

We need to distance ourselves physically from people--not from God.

A few activities that you can do by yourself or with your family:

- Sign up for for 52 Sundays ~ <https://www.52sundays.com>
- Do "A DEVOTION OF HEALING AND LOVE" an 8 day devotional
- "Take up your Cross" ebook ~ Lenten Bible stories to read and discuss these stories as you travel through Lent towards Easter.
- Join us for Virtual "Youth Nights" 6-7 pm, Sunday Nights.

Blessings, Margaret Kozak

"YOUTH NIGHT"

6 pm to 8 pm

In the Activities Building unless otherwise noted
Some join us for Food Fellowship and Fun.
Friends are always Welcome!
For more information please contact me.

MARGARETK@STANDREWCHURCH.ORG

OR

Text this message @stay2020 to number 81010

March

22nd ~ virtual "Youth Night"

29nd ~ virtual "Youth Night"

Sunday Night 6 to 7

Look for a Remind notice with a link to log on and enjoy youth speakers and ministers bringing the love of Christ to you!

Events may change or others may be added. Sign up for REMIND to get the most up to date information

2020 Rise Detroit



April 25th, 2020

8:30am-8:30pm



Holy Family Regional School



JESUS CHRIST IS THE REASON FOR HOLY FAMILY REGIONAL SCHOOL

Coronavirus Update



**Catholic Schools Closed
from March 13 - April 6**

CORONAVIRUS

To comply with Governor Gretchen Whitmer's Executive Order issued the evening of March 12 regarding coronavirus and to ensure the safety, health, and welfare of all students and school employees, the Archdiocese of Detroit will close all Catholic schools from Friday, March 13 through April 6. During this time, all of our 87 Catholic schools will receive a deep cleaning following CDC guidelines and school instructional staff will implement their distance learning plans for this extended closure. Please be reassured that the safety and well-being of our students and employees is always our top priority. Invoking Blessed Solanus Casey's famous phrase, we thank God ahead of time for a successful end to the Coronavirus situation.



STATE POLICE PRESENTATION

Thank you to Officer Keller from the Michigan State Police for visiting our fifth graders and presented the STEP Program. The Student Tools for Emergency Planning program, known as STEP, is a simple and effective preparedness education project developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in 2011. STEP is designed to educate fifth-graders on the importance of preparing for emergencies and provide students with the knowledge to help their families prepare. Every student received a STEP bag and great information. Thank you to our fifth grade teachers for making this possible.



DISTANCE LEARNING BEGINS

Our faculty and staff gathered to get informed on how we will be moving forward with Distance Learning. We are grateful for the support of our School Pastor, Msgr. Mike, who also joined us. Our staff is an exceptional group of professionals who have been working very hard to put our plan into action. Jesus Christ is the reason for our school, we put our trust in Him.

Readings for the Week of March 23

March 23

St Turibius of Mogrovejo

Isaiah 65:17-21

John 4:43-54

March 24

Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12

John 5 1-16

March 25

Annunciation of the Lord

Isaiah 7:10-14, 8:10

Psalms 40

Hebrews 10:4-10

Luke 1:26-38

March 26

Exodus 32:7-14

John 5:31-47

March 27

Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22

John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

March 28

Jeremiah 11:18-20

John 7:40-53

March 29

5th Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Psalms 130

Romans 8:8-11

John 11:1-45



Prayer Corner—Prayer 101

Daily Prayers—Especially for the Sick

by Fr. John D. Bohrer & Joseph Stoutzenberger (TauPublishing.com)

Introduction: “Help” and Thank-you” are two prayer sentiments most frequently hospitals, nursing homes, and hospice care settings. Even people who seldom prayed before often feel drawn to prayer when they find themselves needing help or faced with illness. Jesus tells us that those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick do. Healing always entails more than care for the body.

An ancient Christian prayer practice is the Liturgy of the Hours. Priests and religious, especially monks and nuns, take time out regularly during the day to call to mind God’s presence. The “Little Hours” are prayers and psalms adapted for use by everyone who wants to be reminded that God journeys with us throughout the day. Mealtime is a natural time to step aside from whatever consumes our attention and to recall that we live in God’s time. God is with us always—morning, noon and night. Pausing to pray with each meal offers an opportunity to bring God’s presence into our awareness.

Being alone, sick, or needy can lead us to focus on ourselves and our immediate necessities. We can overlook all that we have to be grateful for. We can even forget the great gift of life that God blesses us with and that God is with us through whatever difficulties we face. Regular prayer reminds us that we are not alone. Prayer time can also remind us to think of others in need and to call to mind the many people who care for us, whether as part of their job or out of friendship. Here are some examples of prayers that can be used as daily prayers:

Morning Prayer: I will arise! I will arise and wake with the dawn! Let my heart praise You, O Lord! With all by being, I do praise You. As the day begins I thank You, Lord, for rest that refreshes and restores my spirit. Fill me with hope— to see your providential hand guiding our world and my humble, humorous holy life. I arise and greet the dawn! Amen.

Noon Prayer: This day continues as a blessing, and again I lift up my heart and hands to You, my God. I am ever grateful for all that comes my way; I am never without Your care. Even when things seem bleak and dark I trust in Your goodness, my God. You are my refuge and my strength. Hold all those I love close to Your heart. Free me from anxiety. Keep me aware to Your visitations throughout the day. Amen.

Evening Prayer: Your friendship is a treasure beyond compare, O God. Give my spirit a restful sleep, and comfort to all those I love. Remove the shadows that awaken fear within us, Grant us the confidence to trust in your divine love. I place myself in Your hands, O Lord; I am secure in your tender embrace. Amen.



12 Prayer Requests & Mass Intentions

Prayer Requests

All men & women in the military
& family members
Kenneth Beattie
Donna Christie
Patrick Beattie
Louise Carlson
Mark Kujawski
Tony Wojcik
Ken Kwiatkowski
Sally Dupack
Mary Grace
Elias Agirokastritis
Joanne Landry
Karen Holland
Mary Ellen O'Connor
Cameron Kostiz
Tina Denison
David Dehn
Diane Fayle
Caterina Basile
Norman Rosinski
Rebecca Nowakowski
Mary Abraham
The unborn child of Antonio
Walter Gieselmann
Paul Yezback
Sharon Nowakowski
Jordan Baker
Jack Waters
Gary J. Rogers
Aaron Edward Kurmas
Pat Fiorini
Alexander Fabian
Lucas Fabian
William J.H. Smith
Paul Maxwell
Russ LaBruzzy
Mary Pearsall
Mary Ann Ranger
Mike Helms
Ryan Mele
Mary Ziaja
Janet McGarry
Thomas Whitlow
Mary Louise Kaufeld
Therese Tyll
Norine Brum
Patty Miller
Paul & Tracy Jacque
Elizabeth Jary
Barbara Gunn

Mass Intentions for the Week of March 22 (Intentions are still being prayed for by our priests)

SUNDAY		March 22, 2020	
8:00 am	✦	Catalina Vago	Thet Family
	✦	Joy Spezia	William Spezia
10:00 am		Pat & Chuck Jax	Ray & Madeline Ormachea
	✦	Aldo Terenzi	Wife, Tina
	✦	Catherine Weston	Family
12:00 pm		For the People of St Andrew	
5:00 pm		For the People of the Pontiac Area Vicariate	
MONDAY		March 23, 2020	
8:15 am	✦	Mary Murphy	Loving Family
TUESDAY		March 24, 2020	
8:15 am		Lisa Ruskin	Michael Miller
		Gary Ruskin	Michael Miller
WEDNESDAY		March 25, 2020	
8:15 am		For the People of St Andrew	
THURSDAY		March 26, 2020	
8:15 am	✦	William Newson	Cairns Family
	✦	Dick Koerber	Betsy
	✦	All Holy Souls & Andcestors	Amy Nguyen
FRIDAY		March 27, 2020	
8:15 am	✦	Chet Pietrzak	Patricia Pietrzak
	✦	Kenneth Thet	Thet Family
	✦	Mark Wagner	Wagner Family
SATURDAY		March 28, 2020	
5:00 pm	✦	Bernadette Jacobs	Pauline Jacobs
		Stephen Hawley	Andrea Brook
	✦	Lori Diane Fugle	Family
SUNDAY		March 29, 2020	
8:00 am	✦	Laura Conat	Parents
	✦	Stanley J. Kurmas	Family
	✦	John Rucha	Fayle Family
10:00 am	✦	Joy Spezia	Virginia Ferrara
	✦	John “Bob” Somjak	Hawley Family
		Eric & Shelley Kerr	Connie Shankin
12:00 pm		David Dehn	Family
		Catarina Basile	Family
		Mark Kujawski	Family
5:00 pm		For the People of St Andrew & the Pontiac Area Vicariate	



Pray for