

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR – HOLY FAMILY PARISH

Pope Francis states frequently 'to be a Christian is to live with uncertainty'. I am not sure he has the present situation in mind, but it certainly describes it perfectly. Life as we have known it has changed and we are being called upon to adapt to different ways of doing things. For those of us who are rather set in our ways the thought of doing things differently or not at all can be challenging. I encourage you when this happens to reach out and call a friend just to talk it through and then say a prayer that this crisis will soon diminish.

I know that not having the availability of Mass is distressing especially to those who attend regularly but the health and well-being of the community necessitates that we do not gather at this time. The priests of Holy Family are saying private Masses for all of you and fulfilling those mass intentions that you have requested.

The daily Mass from the cathedral is available at www.saintpatrickscathedral.org/live. The Cardinal has announced that the suspension of masses and services will include all of Holy Week. I know this will affect you very deeply but I encourage you to watch these services on television. The priests of Holy Family will be celebrating these services following recently issued Vatican guidelines for your intentions.

As we continue to rely on the strength that God provides, our parish must continue to provide for the spiritual and educational needs of our parishioners, both young and old. This is possible to the extent that the material resources are there to support our parish. Because of the length of this pandemic, we encourage parishioners, if they are able, to continue to send in your weekly offerings. You are welcome to mail in to the rectory your envelopes with your contributions. I would like to thank all those that already have done this. Also, donations may be made with online giving through WeShare, which is accessible from our church website: www.holy-family-church.com. It is a secure, safe and convenient method which is used by many of our parishioners.

If you would like to set up your contributions through WeShare, please follow these steps:

- Step 1: Visit our parish website: www.holy-family-church-org
- Step 2: Click Home
- Step 3: Select Give online – WeShare from the drop down menu
- Step 4: Click on Click this Link then chose Start Giving and complete the required information.

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Please be assured of the prayers of all the Holy Family priests for you and your loved ones during this Lenten Season. May Jesus, Mary and Joseph – the Holy Family – watch over us and keep us all safe.

Sincerely,

Msgr. Dennis P. Keane

Pastor