

Dear Parishioners of St. Mary and St. John,

As your Shepherd, I wish to convey my love and concern for all of our parish families. We are in unprecedented times but we will rise!!!

We are able to provide Sunday Mass and at least one Daily Mass from St. Mary's and the link can be found on our respective Facebook pages and on St. Mary's Website.

I received word from the Diocese that Holy Week services have been cancelled. However I will be celebrating the services Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday and we will make those available to you. My hope is that we can celebrate them in live time but if not the video will be available on the aforementioned link.

Also, with the Governors order, we are not permitted to keep our churches open. As such, St. Mary's will not be open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday as we had originally announced. My hope and prayer is that soon we will be back in our churches to celebrate the Eucharist together around the Altar of the Lord.

Pursuant to directives from the Diocese, the parish office will be closed to regular public hours but I will be retrieving the mail for bills or contributions, fielding phone calls, and handling any other administrative business. Angelique is available via email and we will continue to keep both parishes afloat during this time. As mentioned in my letter to each parish family, please contact me if you have a need in your family or if you simply wish to talk. Please know of my daily prayers. We will get through this difficult time together.

In Christ through Mary,

Fr. Rayson