



# Pastor's Message

June 3, 2020

What is cooperation? It is the process of working together to the same end.

Since mid-March 2020, cooperation has been a mainstay of the citizens of our great nation to preserve life in the midst of a devastating, lethal pandemic. Implementation of mandated precautions for the entire population, which previous to a few months ago would have been declared ludicrous and probably impossible to achieve, have proved possible and achievable. Why were we able to succeed?

The primary reason for the success is people tried to cooperate for a greater good, than for the good of only oneself. So, for what has been achieved, we should be proud as citizens of this nation! Indeed, in comparison to a few months ago, today the threat of a lethal virus has diminished in our lives, although not yet perfectly eradicated.

It seems to me, the time has come for ongoing cooperation when we read and watch recent updates of national news. Antagonism will not effectively address the obvious problems in our society. What we have achieved in the significant victories over the aforementioned threat of COVID-19 was done together, no matter the ethnic background, primary language spoken and color of one's skin. It was done by one people, not only some. So, rather than letting a spirit of opposition overtake us, a bond of cooperation is necessary because it has shown to be successful.

Certainly, based on the fact we made progress to eradicate a life threatening virus as citizens of this great nation, let us pray to be united in an effort to eradicate antagonism toward one another, by embracing the same spirit of cooperation. Remember, although we may be somewhat fragmented as a family, still each of us are brothers and sisters of one heavenly Father.

Peace,  
Fr. Marc

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