

An Important Letter From Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

The safety and well-being of all parishioners is paramount in my thoughts and prayers. As we now enter our fourth week of Governor Baker's declared State of Emergency in order to take steps to limit the spread of the Coronavirus COVID-19, and two weeks ago the further ordering of all non-essential businesses to cease in person operation, and a stay-at-home advisory, we must be more vigilant than ever before. We now find ourselves bracing for an inevitable surge in confirmed cases of Coronavirus throughout Massachusetts. Governor Baker said that the surge here is probably going to start somewhere between the 7th and the 17th of April.

After very careful deliberation and prayer, I find that I must now temporarily close all buildings at both campuses of Our Lady of the Lake and Saint Joseph the Worker. This will ensure the protection of parishioners and staff as well continue to monitor and persevere in the midst of this Coronavirus pandemic.

Adoration behind the Saint Joseph the Worker Rectory will continue, however with a reduced schedule. New hours effective immediately will be daily from 7:00am-10:00am, 2:00pm-4:00pm, and 6:00pm-8:00pm.

In addition, per further directives from the Archdiocese of Boston, Confessions will now be held only by appointment. Please call the main Saint Joseph the Worker phone number of 781-293-3851 and extension 211 for Fr. Hobson, or extension 215 for Fr. Lee to schedule an appointment.

We are working out a process for Live Streaming Holy Week services through our website at www.stjosephtheworker.org so I encourage you to check it frequently for further updates. Also be sure to check our social media Facebook page at "SJTW & OLOL Collaborative".

Last of all, I continue to thank those who are able to contribute financially to the ongoing upkeep and bills of our churches. If you have not given over the past few weeks, I urgently plead for your assistance. Please consider mailing in a check donation, or using online giving through the WeShare link.

For SJTW go to: StJosephTheWorkerHanson.WeShareOnline.org

For OLOL go to: OurLadyOfTheLakeHalifax.WeShareOnline.org

Sincerely in our Lord Jesus Christ,

Fr. Mike Hobson