



## Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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### March 22, 2020 - Fourth Sunday in Lent

Dear Friends –

In this time of difficulty, please regard it as a time of prayer for all while we trust that the Lord Jesus Christ will accompany us throughout this season of trial to the victory of the resurrection.

God Bless you all in JMJ,  
Fr. Dominic Ibok

#### Summary of Letter from Bishop Edward Rice –

In a letter to all priests, religious, and faithful of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, Bishop Rice wrote:

“It is with a heavy heart, yet with confidence that this is the correct decision, that I decree that effective at 6 p.m., March 17, 2020, and until further notice, all public celebrations of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau are suspended. The general dispensation to attend Sunday Mass remains in force until further notice.”

The letter includes information on Live-streamed Masses, praying of Sunday Scriptures, Spiritual Communion, the Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and other devotions which are encouraged, conduct of Funeral Masses, Weddings, Baptisms, Quinceaneras, Confession/Anointing of the Sick, Stations of the Cross, and Liturgy of the Hours. All events, meetings, Bible study, etc. are cancelled.

Sanctuary Lamp: Week of March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Bill Watkins+

Collections		Amount		Monthly Account * Dwayne Clark, CPA		
Mar. 8 <sup>st</sup>	General Collection:	\$1,855.00		December	Income:	\$22,478.83
	Building & Maintenance:	\$20.00			Expenses:	\$11,593.97
Mar. 15 <sup>st</sup>	Rent:	\$500.00		January	Income:	\$ 9,035.95
	Church Reno/Raffle Tix:	\$1,880.00			Expenses:	\$ 8,39.85
	2 <sup>nd</sup> coll., Cent/East Euro:	\$20.00		February	Income:	\$ 36,366.33
	General Collection:	\$1,890.00			Expenses:	\$ 7,064.68
	Building & Maintenance:	\$40.00				
	Mass Offerings:	\$10.00				
	Sanctuary Lamp:	\$20.00				
	Church Reno/Raffle Tix:	\$2,540.00				

*Unless otherwise determined at a later date*, this also applies to Holy Week and Easter Sunday

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated but with priests ONLY. These may be Live-streamed and parishes will be notified at a later time.

*The complete letter from Bishop Rice*, which goes into greater depth, can be found at <http://dioscg.org/mass-suspended-as-a-covid-19-precaution/#more-39844>. You are urged to read this letter for guidance on any questions you may have.

*When the church will be opened* – Our church will be open at the normal Mass hours on the weekends. The faithful may attend, as they would for Mass, and engage in private prayer.

*Weekly donations* can be left by dropping your offering, in an envelope, through the mail slot at the parish office. ~~There will be a Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.~~ Fr. Ibok is grateful for your continued support because, as you know, bills is never suspended and must be paid.

While all group meetings are cancelled. ~~The Rosary group will continue to meet at 3:30 on Thursday~~

*As updates are known*, information will be posted via texting, on Facebook, emails, and phone calls. Please stay close to each other for information and most importantly, for support.