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Dear Parishioners,

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Jesus lives now and forever.

This coronavirus pandemic has not changed our way of practicing our faith drastically only but has also impacted our behavior of the way we were used to do things on regular bases. Our casual way of coming together and praying together as a family has also been brought to stand still for undetermined period of time.

Remembering the way we used to greet one another in Church before Mass and wishing well to each other after Mass, let us continue to communicate to each other every day as we are forced to stay home by this deadly disease. Don't forget to call at least five or more people to find out how they are doing.

I also know how worried and concern you are to others just as I am about you. This situation should not deviate us from God or from praying to each other and especially for those who are already struggling with their health issues. As the Archbishop urged us priests to celebrate Holy Mass every day and pray for you, I do celebrate Holy Mass Monday through Friday at 2:00 am, Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 11:00 am.

I encourage you, if you can join me spiritually by saying your prayer during those hour and together we will offer our prayers to God. Make use of those booklets "The Word of God Come, Follow Me" that were given to you on Ash Wednesday or on the First Sunday of Lent.

In this time of fear and isolation it is also a time we ardently need spiritual support. I therefore recommend and encourage those of you who can, to watch the livestreamed Mass that will be offered by Archbishop Sample each Sunday at 11:00 am at the Cathedral: <https://www.facebook.com/archdpdx/>. You can also check on other useful resources for livestreamed Masses: <https://archdpdx.org/live-masses> or <https://www.nationalshrine.org/mass/> or <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>

During this time of coronavirus the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has posted some excellent resources also for in-home prayer and engagement, including links to online Masses, daily readings, prayers, spiritual tips and ideas: <https://catholiccurrent.org/covid19/>

According to OPC there are artists who are offering up their talents like **Sarah Hart**: Online concert scheduled for this Sunday night, 7:00 CST (8 EST), Facebook Live

<https://www.facebook.com/sarahhartmusicofficial/>

I wish all of you good health, stay away from coronavirus and be vigilant.


Fr. Paulinus Mangesho.