

1. The Diocese has directed that **public celebration** of the sacraments and other public forms of worship are suspended until further notice; this includes daily and Sunday Masses, Stations of the Cross, Rosaries, Tuesday adoration, Thursday adoration, Friday adoration, Bible study, adult and children choir practices, Knights of Columbus, Social Concerns, Catholic Daughters, Rosary, Holy Name Society, CCD class, Wednesday outside Rosary. No public prayers.
2. The **Church will be open** – with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament daily 9AM-4PM for private and quiet individual prayer only. If an individual wants to come to the church and pray individually that can be done. Today exceptionally the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed until 6PM.
3. **Mass Intentions** - For those who have Mass intentions scheduled, all the intentions will be prayed for. Father will celebrate the private Mass for these intentions.
4. **Confessions**: Due to the current situation, there will be **NO** confessions as regularly scheduled. If you need anointing or confession, please call the rectory, or if you see the priest between 9 and 4 in the church, you can ask for confession. Because of social distancing, confessions will not be held in the confessional; confessions will have to take place privately in the lower church.
5. **Funerals, Baptisms and Weddings** are permitted to be celebrated but are limited to a maximum of 10 participants, including the celebrant. If you have any questions with regard to Funerals, Baptisms, or Weddings please call the rectory.
6. Due to social distancing, please try to **avoid coming to the rectory** – better to call. You can always call. Please be patient and understanding if your phone call isn't answered right away.
7. I take advantage of this occasion to greet all our **CCD Families** and our littlest parishioners. I miss your noise at 10:45. I encourage the families to make a schedule for their children to start their day with prayer, do some studies for school, do some chores, pray before and after meals ... have fun together board games ... it is a great opportunity for family bonding. **CCD materials** are available as you enter the church downstairs. There are plenty of materials for our CCD students to help them continue studies.

8. One of our parishioners helped us to obtain the image of **Salus Populi Romani**. The beautiful prayer cards are available downstairs next to the CCD materials.

9. **Financial contribution** -many are conscious of our daily parish operations and are already sending their financial contribution by mail. We are grateful for it and you can mail your weekly contribution to:

OLV Rectory, 81 Lynn St., Harrington Park, NJ 07640.

10. We do not know whether all the businesses will be closed; however, we have to keep in mind to help our local **small businesses** when we order food or flowers because they will be hit the most. Let us consider to help them. Therefore, we will order Easter Flowers as usual to help our company and we will have the memorials as last year ... and in the worst case scenario if you will not be able to come to Mass for Easter, the flowers will be here in front of the Real Presence. The form will be available soon on our website.

11. Thank you so much for your prayers and your concern about meals for the rectory. If you are looking to help in some way, please talk with me personally. It's beautiful to see how people become creative and resourceful in this time of crisis.

12. Due to the **information changing from hour to hour** on national, state, local and Church levels, please bear with us. We thank you for your understanding. If you do not receive our emails, it may be that the email address we have is incorrect or we don't have it.

14. Please keep **visiting our website** for updates at olvhp.org.

15. Please **help our elderly** who are the most vulnerable and isolated because of the danger of contracting the virus. Let us keep them in our prayers.

16. Our **next Mass** will be livestreamed on Sunday at 9:30AM.

17. If you need a Mass Card or something from the rectory please phone the rectory ahead.