



Dear Parishioner:

First, a “warm word of welcome” from a very quiet parish office complex! We are more than ten weeks into our “stay safe – stay home” executive order; hoping that some of the current restrictions will soon be lifted. I hope and pray that this letter finds you and your family in good health and good spirits. We are living in an unprecedented time, but history shows us that we will get through this together. We lose something beautiful and irreplaceable when we are not able to pray together in the church.

The Archdiocese of Detroit has recently given all parishes “Directives for Resumption of Public Masses”. I am pleased to inform you that Mass at Saint Kenneth will resume with the 9:00 am Mass on Thursday, May 28. The Mass you attend in the months ahead will look and feel quite different from the Mass you remember from two months ago. It will be imperative for all of us: clergy, parish staff, volunteers, and parishioners – to work together during these times. The pandemic is not over and safety precautions must be followed in order to promote the continued health and safety of everyone in our community.

Included with this letter you will find a separate list of guidelines. Please read these guidelines to better understand what you can expect; and the cooperation that is needed for safety and wellbeing of all Saint Kenneth Parishioners. The Archbishop and the Center for Disease Control suggest that those older than 65 years with a compromised health condition or those caring for the sick in any way, should be encouraged to stay home. I encourage you instead to join us each weekend as the video Mass, the scripture readings, songs, and prayers are easily found on our parish website: www.stkenneth.org Click on the box at the bottom left corner of the home page to easily access the video link for the liturgy.

I wish to express my gratitude and sincere appreciation to all who continue to support us financially. These are trying times for so many in our community who have been temporarily furloughed or who have lost their employment. We continue to pray for a robust return of our economy and a dramatic decrease in the unemployment levels in our nation and state.

To remain informed I encourage you to sign up to receive FLOCKNOTE updates from the parish. You can easily sign up for FLOCKNOTE – information is available next to the Video Mass Link on the main page of our parish website. Thank you again for your support and prayer. I am optimistic about the future and very much look forward to seeing you again soon!

Stay safe. Stay optimistic. Stay healthy!

Father Tom Belczak