

Update to Sacred Heart, St. Philip's and St. Mary's for Friday, April 17

Dear Parishioners – Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The “word” that I am hearing is that a lot of effort is being put into caring for persons around the community and beyond. The power of the resurrection is in us and we need to use it. For some families being all at home and so close is a test, but we sometimes need a little pressure to learn and make some changes that otherwise would not happen.

Most importantly, I ask all to try and be as creative as you can in praying together. If we as Christians do not develop our relationship with God or see God in our life so that we are able to give witness to him, then our world will be in greater darkness than from Covid-19.

We have a very timely feast this Sunday -- **Divine Mercy Sunday**. One suggestion is for you is to tune in to the pro-life prayer service live-streamed from the Diocese of Kansas City at 3:00 PM this Sunday: <https://livestream.com/archkck/divinemercury> or tune to EWTN which has Divine Mercy programs from noon onwards with the sung chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m.

Some have asked about the readings for Mass on Sunday. The best place to find them is the US Bishops website (uscgb.org) where you can also find the readings for every day and also a meditation on the readings.

Bulletins are still being produced each week and are available on-line at our website -- roseaucatholic.org and also available at our churches later on Sunday afternoon. At Roseau they are available on the chair on the deck of the rectory or downstairs on the baptismal font.

Word Among Us and **Living Faith** booklets are also available at the churches including downstairs at Roseau. We also have other free reading materials at all of the churches. Take a look around and take what interests you.

If you are interested in a particular topic or have questions about certain things, please call me (463-2441) and I will try to respond.

- Jim Grugal (Falun) has (all praise to our God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ) had basically a miraculous recovery from the cancerous spots he had throughout his body. He is still doctoring occasionally with Mayo and monitoring his health. John and Betty Spina (F) are doing well at home.
- Visited with Joan Bertilrud (B) and John & Dolores Walsh (B) at Greenbush LifeCare. They sounded good. Also visited with Ray Blazek's brother Rick. He said Ray (B) is more heavily medicated but able to visit with him on the phone and through the window.
- Farmers and gardeners are anxious to get into their fields and gardens. Please pray for good weather for farmers to get their spring planting done. Seeing seeds that we planted sprout out of the ground and start growing can be a boost to our hope in God for a new beginning for us and our world. Alleluia!!

Trusting in God's constant presence and care for us --- Fr. John --- **463-2441**