

## Update to St. Mary's, St. Philip's and Sacred Heart Parishioners – April 7, 2020

Dear Parishioners – Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

*“Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.” Isaiah 41:10*

If God is with us we have all that we need to face whatever comes. Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time.

As Covid-19 comes into our area, what we need to do is follow the guidelines for protecting ourselves and others as best we can and pray for God's help for us and for all the world and trust that God's grace will carry us through this most difficult time.

### Some updates and recommendations:

1. Some are still having some struggle finding the live-stream Mass on Facebook. I would generally recommend that you avoid Google in searching for it as it will bring up all kinds of options that can be confusing. It is best that you go to the tri-parish website – [roseaucatholic.org](http://roseaucatholic.org) and there click on the Facebook symbol at the top right-hand corner of the homepage. This will take you to the Roseau Facebook page and there you should be able to find the Mass. Please note that **live-stream of the Mass will not show up on the Facebook page until it is started** and we do not go live until just a couple minutes before the Mass time so please be patient.
2. Someone told me that you can buy a cord to connect your phone to the TV at Frank's TV. You might want to look into that. Also, another person who has an HDMI port on their laptop was able to connect to their TV which also had an HDMI port and it worked great. This worked even with a somewhat older TV. With newer ones you may have to select which source your TV should receive data from.
3. We are working on getting an outside drop box by the garage entrance at Roseau so that you do not have to go through so many doors to get to the one on the office door.
4. At the present time there not any new Puerto Rican families coming to work at Polaris so we are not collecting any more household items for them.
5. We had quite a few people use the new online giving option. Contributions will be sent to the parish you are registered at.
6. I continue to be available for confessions on Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Roseau and 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at Badger. At Badger I ask that you use the screen as there is no way to practice social distancing in the reconciliation room. Opportunity for confessions is also available on Friday from 6:30 – 8:00 a.m. downstairs at Roseau and 11:00 a.m. – Noon on Saturday at Roseau.

Trusting in God's constant presence with us and care for us ---- Fr. John Kleinwachter