

To the family of Holy Name Parish,

Peace be with you! I want to thank you all for your kindness and cooperation as we seek to get back to what was normal. To attend Mass, we are still required to wear a face mask and to maintain 6-foot distance between households, and the number has increased to approximately 140 people in the church. This past Sunday, we reach that maximum number at our graduation Mass for our High School students. We are truly proud of them and their accomplishments under most difficult situation. Their faith and the practice of their faith has been inspiring.

I want to thank all of our volunteers, especially our musicians, cantors, lectors, extraordinary ministers, ushers, and cleaners. Your assistance has allowed us to offer Mass and to bring the gift of our Lord in the Eucharist to many who have been hungering for the Lord. Thank you so much!

I also want to acknowledge at this time, the gift Kevin Burgess has been for Holy Name Parish for the past 10 years. He has willingly made many sacrifices to ensure our music program moves forward and continues. I truly want to thank him for his loving service. Kevin has approached me and has asked to step down from his position as Director of Pastoral Music at the end of June, but still plans to give the gift of himself in playing for Mass on Sundays. Please be sure to stop and thank Kevin for his many wonderful years.

James Themig has accepted the position of Director of Pastoral Music, and will begin on July 1st. We want to thank him for his willingness to serve Holy Name Parish in this position and look forward to him working in close relationship with our many musicians and cantors who have led us in giving glory to God by lifting up our hearts, minds and voices in song. May St. Cecilia, the patron saint of music and musicians, intercede for him as he begins this new endeavor.

I would like to wish all of our fathers a Happy Father's Day. May the Lord continue to bless each and every one of you throughout this year.

In the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Glenn Whewell