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Dear Friends,

When we are isolated from our communities, great anxiety can arise within us as ministers. How can I minister to the people entrusted to me by God if I am isolated from them? It is in this moment and time that we are most present to them and each other by the realization that the Risen Lord is present to us through our Baptism, the Communion of Saints, and the Word.

To help you in your ministry of catechesis, we have developed a resource page to help you minister to the people and families in your parishes. Please visit our website: www.nolacatholic.org/ore and click on the Covid-19:Time4Faith banner or navigation button. If there is something you have run across and would like to share it on this site, or if there is something you would like to see on the site, please email Deacon Michael Whitehouse at mwhitehouse@arch-no.org and he will be happy to work with you.

God, through the salvific act of the Paschal Mystery, the living presence of Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit is dwelling within us. Through the Sacred Scriptures, we are able to encounter the Living Christ, this same Christ who comes to us through the Eucharist. The Liturgy of the Hours is, along with the Mass and Sacraments, part of the official liturgy of the Church. It offers the opportunity for families to come together as the Body of Christ united in this liturgical prayer with the Body of Christ. On the above-mentioned website, there are resources for the Liturgy of the Hours, as well as other prayer and Scripture resources.

This is an extraordinary time in all of our lives, but it is also a time of recognizing that we have an extra-ordinary opportunity to develop family catechesis and encourage the Domestic Church.

If you have any questions or any issues, please email (alicehughes@archdiocese-no.org), call (601-506-5785), or text me anytime. Be assured of the prayers of the Office of Religious Education's staff for you, your families, and the families of the Archdiocese.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us! St. Joseph, pray for us!

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The Office of Religious Education serves the catechetical needs of all people in the Archdiocese of New Orleans by providing lifelong formation centered in the person of Jesus Christ that echoes Christ, his teachings, and his invitation to discipleship.

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