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Aloha Friends and Parishioners,

The Catholic Church encourages the faithful to make frequent, even daily communion. But at this time of the CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC, the usual opportunity to receive the EUCHARIST is not possible, but we can still make the Act of Spiritual Communion in which we express our faith in Christ and in His Presence in the Eucharist, and we ask Him to unite Himself with us.

Spiritual communion needs no special instruction; it only requires the same disposition as the actual reception of the sacrament and a turning to Jesus with the heart. No particular prayer or formulary is required; however, to help focus a proper intention, recitation of a prayer is suggested. One of the most popular is that composed by St. Alphonsus Liguori:

***My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament.
I love you above all things
and I desire you with all my heart.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were already in my heart
and unite myself to you completely.
Please do not let me ever be separated from you.***

I am celebrating mass privately every day at 12:15 noon and please join me virtually. Please join me in celebrating privately the 5pm Vigil mass (Saturday) and 9am and 11am masses on Sunday **VIRTUALLY**, live stream on our Facebook page: St. Michael Church with Mission of Saints Peter and Paul. You may send your mass intentions and use your Church Offering envelopes, drop it off at the office or consider it doing giving online, you may check our parish website our parish website.

For those who pray the Holy Rosary, here is a suggested list of intentions per mystery:

1st Decade: For the protection of the first responders, doctors, and nurses who care for those made critically ill by coronavirus. For wisdom and guidance on those scientists and researchers seeking vaccines and rapid testing platforms.

2nd Decade: For a full and speedy recovery for those suffering from the coronavirus. For protection of their family members and all those who are at risk of getting or transmitting the virus.

3rd Decade: For God's abundant mercy on the souls of those who have died from coronavirus. For strength and consolation for their grieving families.

4th Decade: For protection on those who are most vulnerable to coronavirus: the elderly, those with compromised immune systems, those who have been travelling abroad, those who are in quarantine.

5th Decade: For an expedient halt to the spread of the virus. For churches and schools to be reopened, and for people to be able to return to their normal daily activities with a deepened faith and love for God.

Remembering all of you and your families in my prayers,

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