

Dear Parishioners,

The current pandemic in which we are living is certainly “uncharted waters” for all of us. As members of the faith community of St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, we are following the directives of Archbishop Perez’ in efforts to maintain the strength of our faith. As of March 17th, Archbishop Perez’ announced the suspension of all public Masses beginning at 12 noon on Wednesday, March 18th. We will have our 7:00 PM Mass on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 followed by Confessions between 7:30-8:30 PM. The 8:00 AM Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 18th. There will not be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and the Chapel will remain open until 4:00PM.

Archbishop Perez’s directive indicates that Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and Confessions should continue as scheduled with due regard for the limitation of participants due to social distancing. Our Lenten Confessions on Tuesday evenings and Saturday afternoons will continue as scheduled. Stations of the Cross will be suspended. During this time, Communion will not be taken to homebound parishioners. Our parish bulletin will continue to be published online at our Parish Website at stteresacalcutta.com

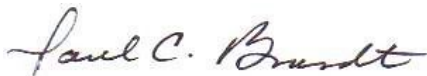
These times create unusual and uncomfortable feelings for many of us. As we are in the season of Lent we are asked to make sacrifices, we are just accustomed to choosing what those sacrifices may be. Our Parish Office will maintain its usual hours 9:00AM-4:00 PM Monday-Friday. We respectfully ask that you contact the office by phone 610-287-2525 or through our website at stteresacalcutta.com.

The practice of self-quarantine is essential during these critical times. I ask all parishioners to take this practice seriously. As important as this practice is, it can cause individuals to feel isolated and lonely. Our Chapel will be opened daily between 9:00AM-4:00 PM for individuals to spend some of their free time in strengthening their spiritual lives. Young families are invited to visit our playground located at the end of the back parking lot and all parishioners are invited to take advantage of the peaceful environment of our parish campus now that Spring has arrived with the promise of warmer days.

It will be a struggle for all of us not having the opportunity to attend Mass and to receive the Eucharist. Below is information to view Mass on the television and online. If you have any questions or concerns during these times, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.

May all of us continue to pray through the intercession of the Blessed Mother for the safety and well-being of all.

Sincerely,



Where to find EWTN on television:

Verizon Fios Channel 285, Xfinity Channel 33 (SD), Channel 291 (SD), Channel 1668 (HD)
Direct TV Channel 370, Sirius XM Satellite Channel 130, Roku streaming

EWTN Mass Schedule on Television-Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:

12:00am, 2:00am [Pope Francis Private Mass from Santa Marta], 8:00am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm

EWTN Mass Schedule on Television-Saturday:

8:00am, 12:00pm, 4:30pm [Pope Francis Private Mass from Santa Marta], 7:00pm

EWTN Mass Schedule on Television-Sunday:

8:00am, 12:00pm, 3:30pm [Pope Francis Private Mass from Santa Marta]

WPVI TV, Channel 6: Comcast Digital Channel 231, DirecTV Channel 6, DishTV Channel 8150, Verizon Fios channel 506. Sunday Masses at St. Malachy Parish, Philadelphia are aired every Sunday morning from 5:30 to 6 a.m.