

## **All Masses and Meetings Cancelled Until Further Notice**

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the Archdiocese of Anchorage has dispensed all Catholics in the Archdiocese from the obligation to attend Sunday mass until further notice and has ordered that all Catholic parishes and missions throughout the Archdiocese cancel all Masses, public liturgies, and meetings effective March 14. All regularly scheduled liturgies and meetings will be cancelled, including Faith Formation classes. This cancellation will be effective until at least March 27. We hope that this situation will return to normal soon.

- **Churches will remain open during this time and the faithful are encouraged to come in and visit Christ in the tabernacle. (The Second door from the right 9:00am~3:00pm)**
- **Monday to Sunday, confessions continue as normal. Individual confessions can be arranged by contacting Fr. Michael directly (cell phone no. 907-793-0079) Please, place at least six feet of space between yourself and another penitent.**
- **Pastoral emergencies, such as anointing of the sick and the sacraments for the dying in hospitals will still be available. Please contact Fr. Michael for your sacramental needs.**
- **All the faithful are invited to practice the faith in their homes as much as possible. Please pray in your homes. Keep Sunday a holy day by praying, abstaining from unnecessary labor and commercial activity, and reading the scriptures and readings for that day.**

I understand that these restrictions may cause much anxiety within our parish. Please, know that these restrictions are enacted out of an abundance of caution and will be lifted earlier than the 27<sup>th</sup> should the local situation improve, and will be extended beyond the 27<sup>th</sup> should the situation deteriorate.

I want to emphasize as your Pastor, will be available to assist you as we navigate these challenging times together.

I will provide additional information via **My Parish App** and our **Parish home page** as it becomes available. You may also call me on my cell phone or email me at [frmkokms@gmail.com](mailto:frmkokms@gmail.com) with concerns or questions.

My prayer for all of us is that we ask the Lord for peace in our hearts and trust in our Lord's presence with us in this difficult time, and pray for those who are in need and the higher risk groups. May the Lord bless you and keep you in his Care.

In Christ

Fr. Michael KO

Pastor.