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**Bishop David Zubik, and Catholic bishops statewide, announce dispensation from Sunday Mass**

Bishop David Zubik issued the following statement on Thursday, March 12, 2020:

“Following a joint conference call with all the bishops of Pennsylvania, effective immediately and until further notice, I wish to share with you that in union with all my brother bishops I am dispensing the faithful of the Diocese of Pittsburgh from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

“Despite the suspension of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass, all regularly scheduled Masses will remain open to the public for those who wish to attend.

“Regarding other sacramental events, such as confirmation, further announcements will be forthcoming in the near future.

“With this announcement, it is most important that we increase our personal prayer and fasting as we look to God as our strength in this critical time.”