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Newsletter Editor's Message

Brothers, can we focus on something other than COVID-19 for this month's newsletter? I am sure you get enough information about coronavirus without this message having to add to it. And, by now, you are likely tiring of it. Cabin fever? Just be thankful we are not in the middle of the winter months and having to deal with this pandemic. At least we can get outdoors. Thank goodness for Netflix, HBO, Showtime, YouTube or your preferred video programming medium. Who would have thought a pandemic to be a good excuse to binge watch?

So, what else is there to write about? Didn't we just hope to discuss something other than COVID-19? There's no sports, no concerts, no eating out, no birthday parties, no graduations, no Knights gatherings... and no mass at church. We are now living in a "virtual" society on our TVs, computers and cell phones, but it's our new way of life for the time being.

What can we do about it? Well, as catholic gentlemen—as Knights—we can pray. We can pray for our health care professionals, first responders, grocery store workers, package delivery drivers, our families, friends, our priests, and of course, our brother Knights. They, and we, all need a little help from our Lord these days. We can do this, you know, while we are washing our hands for 20 seconds. Say a Hail Mary (or two) while scrubbing that soap onto and between those pinkies, or while disinfecting surface areas. An Our Father wouldn't hurt either.

We can also help our brothers and those we know who could use a Knight's assistance with getting groceries, or helping with some small tasks around their home, with a mask and maybe gloves, of course. We can "go" to mass each week, or each day, by visiting the link at the St. Isaac Jogues website, or many other websites offering virtual masses. And let's not forget to provide our parish with funds you would typically place in the collection basket at mass. Our Pastor needs to continue to pay the bills just like you and me.

I hope and pray that each of you and your family members stay healthy through this pandemic episode. Hopefully, this will pass, but only if we all adhere to the advice of our government leaders (?) and health professionals (!). In the meantime, let's all do our part by staying apart.