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St. Teresa Parish Glennonville, Missouri † founded 1905

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ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD-CAPE GIRARDEAU

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Friday, March 27, 2020 *4th Week of Lent*

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. WILLIAM W. HENNECKE, JR. TO ALL THE FAITHFUL

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

God's blessings to all of you! As I write this, it is with the most heartfelt love and concern for all of you, the faithful of Sacred Heart, St. Teresa and St. Ann, especially now, in this coronavirus pandemic that scourges the world.

You will recall that an announcement was made Thursday at 7:30 pm via Flocknote, Facebook and the web site. As of late Thursday, March 26, Bishop Edward M. Rice has given the following order to our pastors to lock all church buildings and adoration chapels until further notice. This is being done in cooperation with civil authorities in an attempt to stop the rapid spread of the coronavirus. Ten counties in our diocese now have confirmed cases of the virus. Effective today, March 27, our three parish churches will no longer be open at the previously announced times I gave last week for open church hours for our faithful to come and pray. All of this is in effect until further notice. As Bishop Rice stated in his memo to us, this is very sad but the right thing to do to protect and save lives.

We have closed the Sacred Heart and St. Teresa parish office to the public, except for needed staff and parish personnel. Kathleen is coming into work at St. Teresa and remotely by Internet at Sacred Heart. My office hours are now by appointment only. I ask that any parish business be done over the phone or through email. Please leave letters, receipts, contribution envelopes, etc. in the mail box or mail them. I will continue to publish the parish bulletin online, and will make available paper copies. To access the bulletin online, go www.parishesonline.com and from the Parish Online homepage, type the zip 63841, on the next page click on Sacred Heart, then click to view latest Sunday bulletin.

Please remember, as your priest, I am always here for you. If you need to contact me or you just want to talk, please know I'm here for you and your family. If you have any prayer requests, please call me at either one of the rectories first, and if I can't be reached there, you always have permission to call or text me anytime at 450-4055 via my cell phone. Please call me if you would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession and we will either meet in the St. Teresa School library, St. Ann Parish Center, or the Sacred Heart meeting room. If you wish to remain anonymous, simply state your request when you call but not your name. If you are in need of the Anointing of the Sick, we will meet at your home or at either of the three places mentioned above. Watch for further updates and announcements regarding this ever-evolving situation via Flocknote, Facebook, or from www.curatordeliberatus.org, and share this information with parishioners who do not have access to Facebook, Flocknote or the parish web site.

In the interim, if you are not signed up already on Flocknote, signup with Sacred Heart by texting **NOEL to 84576**, and signup with St. Teresa and St. Ann by texting **GVILLE to 84576**. Fr. William is using Facebook to livestream the Mass every Sunday at 10:00 AM from St. Teresa, a livestream weekly Holy Hour with the Rosary on Sundays at 7:00 pm, and during Lent, a livestream Holy Hour with the Stations of the Cross on Friday at 7:00 pm. Please share this with others. From the web site www.curatordeliberatus.org, you have the ability to make a secure and convenient online donation to your parish instead of mailing it, and while there you can access the Facebook page.

Please receive the enclosed prayer card as a token of my love for you! Blessed Mary, St. Teresa, St. Ann, pray for us!

Sincerely yours in Christ,



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