

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

“Every family needs a father — a father who shares in his family's joy and pain, hands down wisdom to his children and offers them firm guidance and love.” - [Pope Francis](#)

### Happy Father's Day June 2020

Every father is unique in their ways of expressions and commitment to their family especially to their children. Regardless of their professional career, the hopes and dreams of every father are to provide stability to the family in areas such as finance, food, housing, safety and security.

Often times, the tensions and responsibilities can be overwhelmingly difficult and stressful as they fulfill those five areas above. Many fathers try their very best to overcome their own limitations or challenging times. Some fathers will try to do it themselves; others may have the assistances of their spouse and loved ones to accompany them.

In addition to the five areas, being a father figure to their children (grand-children) requires a lot of self-sacrificing and creativity. Every child is unique too in their needs and character.

Every father just as Pope Francis stated above leaves an imprint of wisdom, guidance, and love to their children, and their children's generations. Some imprints can be joyful and memorable; others can be tragic and painful.

In our parish community, we have so many great fathers who exemplify many of these commitments and self-giving ways. They are the life-giving fathers to their children (grand-children and for some great grand-children).

For more than ten years at CCSV, I am grateful to all fathers in our pastoral liturgy council and finance council, our CCS faculty and staff and the parents of our students. I see their commitment and responsibilities, their struggles, and their joys as a father.

I am blessed that my father, my four brothers and three brother-in-laws are still active and alive trying their very best too.

During these challenging times (coping with COVID-19 pandemic, our nation's awakening of systemic racism, natural disasters, and economic recession, I wish all fathers wisdom and strength of faith in God's guidance and protection.

“CLARITY” was my words during the last six months. May God grant you that clarity concerning your health and your decision of security when life seems so fragile all around us.

May the Holy Family of God (Joseph, Mary and Jesus) guide you in all your endeavors. Please continue to keep me in your prayers as I pray for you and your family during the celebration of the holy Eucharist.

**My WORD for the first 6 Months of 2020: CLARITY.  
May all of our journey in life lead us back to God.**



## Prayer to Overcome Racism

*Mary,  
friend and mother to all,  
through your Son, God has  
found a way to unite himself  
to every human being,  
called to be one people,  
sisters and brothers  
to each other.*

*We ask for your help  
in calling on your Son,  
seeking forgiveness for the  
times when we have failed to  
love and respect one another.*

*We ask for your help  
in obtaining from your Son  
the grace we need to overcome  
the evil of racism and  
to build a just society.*

*We ask for your help  
in following your Son,  
so that prejudice and  
animosity will no longer  
infect our minds or hearts  
but will be replaced with  
a love that respects the  
dignity of each person.*

*Mother of the Church,  
the Spirit of your Son Jesus  
warms our hearts:  
pray for us.*

*Amen.*

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