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Be Happy and Have A Cool 2020 Summer Days

Dear CCSV Parishioners, Benefactors, and Friends:

I pray that you are doing well; stay safe and healthy during these days of Covid-19 pandemic. The summer heat is here and rising, which is a perfect time for outdoor activities. The evening days seem longer in many places.

I hope you and your loved ones will have places to escape and find some R&R.

City of Saints Teen Conference of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles - Saturday August 1, 2020 (1pm-4pm) - This is your city. Be a saint!

Virtual learning is the new normal from academic learning to propagation of our faith for young people of all ages. This new mode of communication and methodology will more than likely continue throughout this year 2020.

Sister Anna and her team of catechists will be coordinating this year’s event for our parish. She is requiring all confirmation candidates to participate in this year’s virtual program.

I too, would like to invite all our high school parishioners to sign up and participate in this event.

Good news with Sister Anna Tom (her assignment) & Avery Tran (my newly born grand-niece)

I have two good news to share with you during the month of July; first, Sister Anna Tom will continue to be our parish religious education director not only for

one year, but three more years. I am grateful to her religious superior of the Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the extension.

I am grateful for her leadership, her catechesis and her following up with our RE families during this time of the pandemic.

On Monday afternoon of July 20, 2020, my niece, Theresa, gave birth to her first born girl, Avery Tran. Fortunately, her husband, Andrew, was allowed to be with his wife during the delivery and to visit them in the hospital.

Avery is my parents first great granddaughter and my brother’s first grand child in the family. Given the pandemic, I pray that my parents and I will be able to see Avery in the near future.

Wearing Face Covering to Stop the Spread of Covid-19 Virus

“All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle.”

This quote of St. Francis gives me hope when our nation is facing the rising of Covid-19 infections again and our state of California is now leading the nation with people tested positive for Covid-19.

This is a strange and different summer season for all of us concerning employment, new guidelines with spaces in the workplace and houses of worship, entertainments (restaurants and movie theaters), our vacations including travel plans for some.

On July 19th we had our first three (3) outdoor masses in the patio area of our church with more than 20-27 parishioners.

Since February and March, our world seemed dark and needs faith in God more than ever. Wearing face covering, keeping social distancing, and practicing good hygiene are a must for all of us.

Social Justice Crying Out for Change and Intervention

BLM (Black Lives Matter) movement is still on going in our nations; with less social unrest and destructions of businesses, the voice of social justice is crying out for structural changes and policy intervention. This crying out is focusing not only in public policy but also in our private (profit & non-profit) institutions as well.

ALM (All Lives Matter) or BLM (Black Lives Matter) is a universal call to all of us to re-awaken within ourselves, our societies, our churches and temples, and others to strive for changes and interventions.

“Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but in having the right to do what we ought” (Saint John Paul II). This remarks of St. John Paul II must be the core of our Christian identity.

I encourage you to say a quick prayer or one “Hail Mary” for young people especially millennial generation who are experiencing deep psychological /relational crisis and financial challenges.

“CRYING OUT, NOT COVERING UP”

“CLARITY” was my word during the last six months of 2020. **“CRYING OUT, NOT COVERING UP”** are my words for the next six months of 2020. May God grant you the courage to **CRY OUT** louder, to seek change, and to not allow **FEAR** to **COVER** you **UP**.

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.

May all of our journey in life lead us back to God.

REGISTER FOR MASSES: Wednesday up to 2 PM on Friday
<https://cathedralchapelparish.eventbrite.com>