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Dear Parishioners of St. Paul/Holy Rosary Church:

We hope that this letter finds you well. Firstly, I want you to know that you are never far from our thoughts; be assured of our prayers for you. Every day, Father Roberto, the Vicar of the Parish, and myself, your pastor, are offering the Holy Mass for all of you and for the intentions that have been entrusted to us by the parishioners.

During this time of national emergency due to the Coronavirus pandemic, we must remain strong and united in faith and in fraternal charity. We should be convinced that God our Father never abandons us. In this unexpected and very serious situation, a time permitted by God, we must turn back to Him, giving Him thanks for his love and mercy. We should grow in our trust in God's Divine Providence, and remember always that God desires our good in this life and in eternity.

In these days in which we spend many hours at home, it is important to occupy ourselves with good things, with things that fill the soul with good and beautiful thoughts and desires. Having this in mind, we encourage you to take advantage of the means at your disposal. For example:

1. www.formed.org: a website that offers free access to good movies and documentaries that are appropriate for both children and adults. The material is available in English and Spanish, either on the computer or with an app on your mobile phone.
 - a. Go to: www.formed.org
 - b. Click **Sign Up**. Choose the third option, "**I belong to a parish or organization.**"
 - c. Enter the Zip Code of the Parish, **10035**, and click on "**Saint Paul**" when it appears.
 - d. Enter your name and email address.
 - e. Check your email inbox to confirm your registration.

The Archdiocese of New York has also made virtual participation in the Holy Mass accessible for all the faithful. We urge you to participate daily, that you may remain

faithful to giving worship to God and to a life of prayer. The Holy Mass can be found on the **Catholic Channel Sirius XM 129** and on the **Catholic Faith Network (CFN)**. On the internet, you may select the “**Watch Live**” option on the following websites:

- a. <https://www.catholicfaithnetwork.org/>
- b. <https://www.catholicfaithnetwork.org/cfn-livestream-player>
- c. <https://www.saintpatrickscathedral.org/live>

Moreover, you will easily comprehend that as the faithful are unable to be physically present in the Holy Mass, neither can they help support the parish through their weekly monetary collaboration. This makes sustaining the parish very difficult. Therefore, we urgently ask that you continue giving to the parish, to the Cardinal’s Campaign, and to Renew and Rebuild during this time of crisis.

Though the public celebration of the Mass and other parish activities have been suspended during this time as a means of preventing the spread of the virus, the parish must continue to pay its fixed monthly expenses, as well as any unforeseen maintenance expenses that may arise. For this reason, I beg you to **continue providing your support to the parish**, taking steps to ensure your regular Sunday Mass donation arrives at the parish. One very useful method for doing so is through the online service called “**WeShare.**” This service will allow you to donate to the parish without leaving your home, as we know the authorities have recommended that we limit going out only for that which is absolutely necessary. We enclose along with this letter the information you will need to make use of this online donation service.

We are profoundly grateful for your continued help and support, above all in this time of crisis.

With cordial greetings, I give you my blessing.

Sincerely,

Fr. Pablo Waldmann, IVE
Pastor

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