

Dearest Faithful:

As we continue to live through this unprecedented time, I send to you this email with some important links I draw your attention to as we enter into this weekend.

Attached here is an act of Spiritual Communion which I ask you to join in praying when you watch the Mass via television or over the internet. There is also a prayer of Solidarity we can all join in praying together in these challenging days as well as many available resources at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).

While we cannot gather together in church, we are nonetheless united as a parish and as the Body of Christ as we unite ourselves with one another and with the Lord through the prayers we are offering daily in our homes and here at the rectory. You are all being remembered at the Masses which are being celebrated each day at the rectory chapel. And, for the time being, Sacred Heart Church is open each day for private prayer and meditation from 8:00am to 2:00pm. Many of you have been dropping off your envelopes and donations at the rectory. Thank you for that! You may continue to drop them through the mail slot on the first door or you can mail them to the Parish Office at 18 Bellewood Avenue.

Please be aware that this is a rapidly changing situation and circumstances could change at any time.

Also, while I am sending this email to as many parishioners as possible and posting information to our parish website as often as we can in an effort to stay in communication with everyone. We respectfully ask that you NOT respond to this email. Or, worse yet, start an email "response chain." This will only make it more difficult to communicate with everyone as we will not be able to respond to each email we receive in a timely fashion. We are very grateful for your understanding in this regard.

Please be assured of my prayers for all of you this weekend.

Fr. Chris