

Dear Parishioners:

The inevitable decision from the Bishop has arrived. The public celebration of Holy Mass is suspended through April 4, 2020. All parish group activities are also in suspension until further notice. The Bishop's letter is attached herewith.

There is no way of predicting how the current crisis will evolve. We pray for the best and prepare for the worst.

We will be closely monitoring the situation, looking for guidelines and recommendations from the Diocese, as well as those from civil authorities.

Since the public celebration of the Eucharistic liturgy is suspended, the Masses will be celebrated in private for the intentions requested.

For those who wish to spend some time and pray before the Blessed Sacrament, the Chapel will be open on Sundays from 9 am until 2 pm, in addition to the regular weekday hours. All guidelines regarding personal hygiene and 'social distancing' and crowd size should be adhered to.

Please do not hesitate to contact me and/or the office for any emergency pastoral need.

As we pray for a speedy end to the crisis, let us ask the Lord for perseverance, prudence and the courage to navigate the 'wilderness'. We shelter in place and go through the 'desert experience' in our hearts offering it as a sacrifice along with our Lenten penance.

Stay safe and God Bless!

Fr Tom John