

March 20, 2020

Dear Christ the King Parish,

As we enter our first weekend without the public celebration of Mass I want to reach out to everyone in our parish. Every day the news surrounding the coronavirus challenges us. We face new disruptions, greater separation from those around us and more uncertainty about what will happen next.

In my homily for Mass last weekend. ([HOMILY 3-15-20](#)) I spoke of my hopes for these days and weeks. My hope remains because God's presence in our lives remains constant. In the days of Lent we focus on a God who sent his Son to share our lives fully. Jesus lived the disruptions, sacrifices and suffering of human life. He experienced what we experience and shows us the way forward. Be intentional at this moment about letting Jesus lead you to life and Resurrection.

God's presence in our homes and our lives gives us much to celebrate even now. We have begun our series of homilies during daily Mass that teach a deeper understanding of each part of the Mass. We have also compiled a list of resources that can guide your prayer and practices of faith in the home. Please look to the CTK website ([church.cklr.org](http://church.cklr.org)) to find them. More will be added as time goes by. Open your heart to God at work in a new way. Take advantage of time at home to consider what more deserves your attention. Let God bring grace into your lives because of this situation.

My hope is to communicate in various ways over the weeks to come. Keep an eye on the website and look for some emails. We will try not to overwhelm with information, but want to help everyone stay connected.

For now please take note of the following two links. The first is the link ([YouTube Mass](#)) for finding the Mass that will be streamed live each day at noon except Saturday. After noon, it will be available as a recording on You Tube. The second link is for a resource with a wealth of Catholic content for all ages. It is called **Formed** (<https://cklr.formed.org/>). This one requires signing up but the cost has already been paid by the parish. This resource has been available before but I draw your attention again because of the current situation.

May God bless you all. Please keep the parish informed ([ctkchurch@cklr.org](mailto:ctkchurch@cklr.org)) of particular needs that arise so that we can pray for each other and offer assistance that may be available. Thank you for your faithful witness and I pray that God will work in you and through you during the challenges of the moment.

In Christ,  
Fr. Erik