

Update to Father's Letter:

After some consultation with some people who are aware of things, I decided it will not be possible for me to offer home Masses. The quarters are a bit close, and I need remain as healthy as I am able. I am sorry for having to make this decision, but it is best for all concerned. All other planned spiritual exercises are in effect. Updated 3/18/2020.

Please read this important letter from Father Mike:

March 17, 2020

Brothers and Sisters,

As of March 18, 2020, Bishop Persico has suspended public Masses in the Diocese of Erie until further notice. I want you to know how much it pains him and all the priests of the Diocese that this step had to be taken. For a while, parish families are without that which is so vital to us all.

That established, I want you to know of some things that we are doing that might assist your spiritual lives and give you some comfort in this difficult time.

So, here is what we will do:

- The Church will be open on Mondays - Thursdays from 9 AM until 4 PM if you wish to make a visit in front of the Blessed Sacrament.
- We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon until 4 PM. We will conduct a simple reposition at 4 PM. You are invited to come to the Church to pray. Materials will be provided for you as you enter the Church.
- Also, on Tuesdays and Thursdays we will pray the Rosary at 3:30 PM. All of these spiritual exercises will be in the Church. When you come, please spread yourselves out.

Confessions will still be heard on Saturdays from 3 PM until 4 PM.

Mass intentions will still be fulfilled. Bishop Persico has asked us to celebrate private Masses.

Also, I will begin to LiveStream Mass on our website for that purpose. We are working out the details of that as I write this, so please check the parish web site for further details.

The Parish Offices will be closed. However, staff will be available to take your phone call if you require anything.

I would direct you to some websites that you might find helpful:

- [Catholic TV from Boston](#);
- [The USCCB \(Daily Readings and Reflections\)](#);
- [Online ministries at Creighton University](#).
- Catholic TV and EWTN broadcast daily Masses for you.

As always, Deacon Owen and I are available to you for your spiritual needs. You only need but call. Please check the parish web site frequently for news and other items that may be important to you.

I want to take the time to please remember to care for one another. A phone call or a visit is in order here. For you who are elderly, if there is something we can do for you by way or errands, etc. please call Vicki at the parish office.

Please know that I'm praying for all of you every day. This will pass, and we need God's abundant hope and love which we always have.

Peace,

Fr. Michael Allison
Pastor