



Welcome to Resurrection Catholic Community

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 14, 2020

“Not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the LORD.” - Deuteronomy 3:3b

Jesus, the Bread of Life

The words that Jesus says in our Gospel reading today are perhaps all too familiar to us:

“I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.”

and

“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day.”

Unlike the people who first heard these words, we have the advantage of knowing that Jesus was talking about the Eucharist, the Most Blessed Sacrament of his Body and Blood, which we celebrate today in this special solemnity. These words do not shock, or scandalize, or deeply trouble us as they did those first followers. We know that they did because most of them walked away in outrage and confusion, according to the rest of the story. Only the apostles and a few others remained, and they were certainly confused and perhaps troubled by Jesus' shocking words. They remained not because they understood that Jesus was referring to the Eucharist, but because they believed in Jesus, that he was the one sent from God. As St. Peter replied when Jesus asked them if they were also going to leave him: “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life.”

While we may understand these words, there are certainly many things that we do not understand. Why do so many innocent people suffer? Why doesn't God fix everything? How do my loved ones live forever after they died? What will happen to me when I die?

So it turns out that we, like St. Peter and those first disciples, don't understand everything that God does or doesn't do. Like them, we too must put our faith in the God who does (or doesn't) do them.

Jesus usually said to the people that he healed, “Your faith has saved you.” He meant that they were saved because they put their faith in him. So likewise we will be saved by putting our faith in him.

When he says, “Eat my body, drink my blood,” we do so in faith and in gratitude, not questioning, not analyzing, just eating.

LITURGY & SPIRITUALITY

WELCOME BACK TO MASS!

Sunday, June 14 is the celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ and our reopening for public masses! We will have one mass at 10:00 AM on June 14. Due to social distancing requirements we will have very limited seating, and reservations will be necessary. A letter and an email explaining all the requirements was sent to all parishioners. If you didn't get it, you can read it [here](#). If all goes well, we plan on resuming our 8:30 AM daily masses on June 16, and our four weekend masses on June 20/21. Thank you for your patience, prayers, and amazing support as we continue to safely adapt to living with the COVID-19 virus. The Bishop has suspended the Sunday mass obligation indefinitely since many people still need to stay at home, and we will continue to live stream our weekday and Sunday masses.

“LIVE FROM RESURRECTION! IT'S SUNDAY MORNING!”

Starting next Sunday, June 21, our live stream mass will be at **10:15 AM** as we resume our regular Sunday mass schedule.

Anytime after 10 AM on Sunday, here's how to join us:

Option 1: YouTube (non-interactive)

Go to our YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-OOaTsxzpsSPs60Qlt0CIKQ>) (or simply search YouTube for Resurrection Church, Aptos) and look for the “Live Now” video. You'll be able to see and hear everything, but we won't be able to hear you if you want to share a prayer intention or peace greeting (but God will hear you!)

Option 2: Zoom (interactive)

From a computer:

1. Go to: <https://zoom.us/j/429472279>
2. Enter your name (so we'll know you're there!)

From a smart phone or tablet:

1. Download the Zoom app (if you don't already have it)
2. Start the app and select “Join a Meeting”
3. Enter Meeting ID 429 472 279

From any phone: (audio only)

1. Dial 1-669-900-6833 (a San Jose number)
2. Enter Meeting ID 429 472 279 and #
3. (Enter # again (no “Participant ID” needed)

An email will be sent on Saturdays with a convenient one-click link for computer users and a link to a worship aid for all. A link will also be placed on our website. A Zoom Visual Aid is available on our website.

You may wish to have a trial run by logging on ahead of time. If you get to a page that says "This meeting has not started" then you've succeeded!

The mass will be available for on-demand viewing immediately after mass on our parish YouTube channel (search "[Resurrection Church Aptos](#)")

DAILY MASS (Tuesday—Friday) 8:15 AM
Live and On-Demand on our YouTube Channel
Live on Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/98470808627>

MORNING PRAYER (Mondays) 8:00 AM
Live and On-Demand on our YouTube Channel
Live on Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/95514328423>

SECOND COLLECTION FOR LITURGICAL MINISTRIES—JUNE 14: Thank you for your support of our liturgical ministries. Our liturgy budget this year is \$46,000, so your support helps us to celebrate the Eucharist and other sacraments with dignity and grace. Thank you! You can donate by mailing in your donation to PO Box 87, Aptos, CA 95001 or giving online <https://resurrection-aptos.org>. Click on "Donate Now" and choose 2nd Collections. Please type Liturgical Ministries. You can also give through Resurrection's Mobile app or the GivePlus app.



Mass Intentions for June 13—21

(Fr. Romeo will offer these intentions when he celebrates mass each day)

Mass on Sunday, 6/14 (Saturday, 6/13 & Sunday, 6/14 Intercessions)

- +Nick Rajkovich, +Jake Bregante, +Richard Farkas, +Monique Buchner, The People of the Parish

Monday, 6/15

- The People of the Parish

Tuesday, 6/16

- +Peter Ciccarelli

Wednesday, 6/17

- +Dennis Kehoe

Thursday, 6/18

- +Cecilia Cross, +George Floyd

Friday, 6/19

- +Sylvia Lucas

Mass on Sunday 6/21 (Saturday, 6/20 & Sunday, 6/21 Intercessions)

- +Vincent Cordoni, +Suzanne Gibson, +John O'Hara, +Jack Nickel, The People of the Parish, The Men & Women in the Armed Forces, those in harm's way & those wounded physically & spiritually

WOULD YOU LIKE A MASS

OFFERED FOR A LOVED ONE? We are still able to take mass requests for daily mass or for the weekend. Please email Jolene at jamcfeely@sbcglobal.net and she will be happy to set up a date for you. The donation per mass is \$10.00. Thank you!

Dear Friends at Resurrection,

I hope you and your families have remained healthy during the time of sheltering in place and that you continue to be well as things begin to open up. Of course, one aspect of opening up will be the gradual resumption of public worship at Resurrection. That is something we have all been looking forward to. I too look forward to the day when I can gather with you at Resurrection Church and celebrate the Eucharist together.

I am writing to let you know that I do not know exactly when that day will be. Because of my age and health condition (Type I Diabetes), I am at high risk of serious complications if I become infected with the COVID-19 virus. Consequently, my physician has advised me not to resume public ministry until there is data on the consequences of opening up; and I am in agreement with him. For now, I will continue some form of sheltering in place.

I sincerely miss worshipping with you at Resurrection. Please keep me in your prayers, and I will certainly continue to pray for you. I look forward to the day when we can gather and pray in person.

Yours in Christ,

Father Larry Percell

PRAYER LINE PRAISE REPORT!



Have your prayers been answered? Have you experienced a sign of God's love? Please let us know so that we can give thanks and praise to God with you! You can email us or send your praise report to our PO Box 87, Aptos, CA 95001.

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**PLEASE PRAY for ALL THOSE
in NEED OF HEALING**



Cyrilla Ashley	Irma Enriquez	Zoe Nink
Cross/Boettcher/ Burghart families	Terry Erwin	Leo Olson
Jessy & Family	Dee Feci	Gina Orlando
Lorenzo Abeyta	Trent Feliss	Teresa Orosco
Gregory Ackerson	Greg Finegan	Kathy Osmonson
Marc Adato	Mark Emmet Fisher	Gabe P.
Javier Anaya	Roy G.	Connor Paulbitski
Baby Luke	Jen Garvey	Dave Peasley
Becki Bailey	Roy Gomez	Ashley M. Pennell
Emi Baldenegro	Andre Grier	Anita Perry
Adeline Bautista	Heike Hempel	Gabe Ponce
Maria Bernstein- Brumbaugh	Mary Ann Herlihy	Oliver Potts
Stacy Bischoff	Robert Higgins	Heidi R.
Jeraldine Boger	Debra Hightower	Pablo R.
Jim & Lill	Rick Housouer	Chris Randolph
Bombardieri	Barbara Howley	Dawn Renz
Vera Borroel	Patrick Howley	Mary Repetti
Tracy Boyd	Allan Hughes	Joel Rivera
Rick Braun	Jim Jackson	Chellie Roberts
Michelle Brown	Faye Jahnigen	Jon Roberts
Betsy Burrows	Johnathan	Suzie Roberts
Caitlin Jane Buse	Ariel Johnson	Jose Rufino
Carlos C.	John Jones	Valerie Ruschke
Tony Cacache	D.B.K.	John Sargetis
Dante Calcagno	Tony K.	Joseph Saucier
Ardith Campbell	Cameron Karleen	Anna Seely
Delores Carano	Eric, Marth, Andrew & Taryn Kenner	Kim Sessa
Chelsea & Family	Dylan Kinion	Jill Schauf
Mary Church	Kathy Klapheke	Kelly Scott
Trish Cronin	Mary Klaus	Alisha Smith
Ralph Cross	Joshua Kobinski	William Smith
Edith Cuevas	Michael Laffin	Diane Spoto
Nancy Daves	Michael Laffin	Henry Sprenger
Larry Davis	Matt Lane	Greg Stewart
Carrie deHart	Joan Lawlor	Agnes Subbiondo
Tavish deHart	Eric Lee	Kathleen Tavares
Lynnette Delgadello	Frank Leonetti	Paul Thompson
Sr. Joan Derry	Carrie Levin	Estelle Turner
Ralph Desmond	Donald Lowery	Sharon Turner
Michelle DeSouza	Matthew Ludlow	Amy V.F.
Mary Donatoni	Danny Lucas	Mark Vaught
Sharon Dougan	Michael Lucas	Lawrence W.
Mark Duggan	Eileen Mathwig	Stephanie Walsh
Robert Duggan	Ginny Solari Mazry	Mary Ann Wright
Wyatt Duino	Jackie McDow	Michele Wright
Pat Emar	Connie McGill-Fergus	Tannis Welch
Sophia Emmons	Kathleen McGinley	Gina Wilson
Peter Empson	Mary McMenamy	Thom Windsor
Annie Enright	Lisa McMenamy	Maggie Young
Sean Enright	Elaine McMenamy	Rosemary Zamora
Alicia Enriquez	George Mungai	
	Joleen Munoz	
	Judy Navarro	

Please let the office know when a name can be removed from this prayer list. Thank you.

PRAYER LINE: Please call Rosalie Flores-Aguon (831-359-9799) or Mary Soltis (688-8326) if you or someone you know is in need of prayer or email resurrection.aptos.prayerline@gmail.com

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND:

If you or a member of your family are hospitalized or homebound, please call to let us know. We want to visit you in the hospital or home, but are often unaware of your situation. Due to HIPAA regulations, hospitals will not contact us unless you specifically request it.

**Stewardship of Treasure
PLATE COLLECTION
June 7, 2020**

Weekly Plate Collection:	
• Mailed In	\$3,699.00
• Electronic	\$2,286.00
• Total	\$5,985.00
Weekly Plate Collection Need (Budget)	\$11,300.00
Plate Collection Average	\$9,875.93

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL SUPPORT!

If you miss a week your donation can be mailed to the parish office at P.O. Box 87, Aptos, CA 95001-0087 or you go to <https://resurrection-aptos.org> and click on the donate now button. Thank you.

Remember Resurrection Catholic Community in your will. Contact Karen Victorino in the parish office.

My Weekly Offering

Your weekly offering can be given securely to Resurrection via our website

<https://resurrection-aptos.org>

or by scanning the QR Code



or by downloading the free app **Give Plus+** in the Google Play Store or Apple Store

or by mailing your donation to Resurrection Church, PO Box 87, Aptos, CA 95001

Your weekly offering helps pay for 70% of our operating expenses, expenses which continue even during the shutdown. Our staff is still working for you "behind the scenes". We thank you for your patience and for your continued support of the parish!

May the God of Hope continue to bless us during this unprecedented time in our lives.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3,14b-16a; Ps 147:12-15,19-20;
1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58
Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1,6-14; Mt 6:1-6,6,16-18
Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15
Friday: Dt 7:6-11; Mt 11:25-30
Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Lk 2:41-51
Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Mt Ps 69:8-10,14,17,33-35;
Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33



THE MASS NEVER ENDS—IT MUST BE LIVED!

We are invited to continue to reflect upon the Gospel reading (John 6:51-58) and homily as we live out our Eucharist this week. Reflect upon it in your heart and mind, and discuss it with your family, friends and faith community members.

- Who or what nourishes, refreshes and strengthens you?
- What do you experience at communion?
- How does celebrating Eucharist affect your relationships with other members of your faith community?

FAITH FORMATION

Enrich your life with these online resources:

- Give Us This Day: www.giveusthisday.org/Digital
- Magnificat: www.magnificat.com/free
- MagnifiKid: <https://us.magnificat.net/flipbook/KID/sample/>
- Word on Fire: www.wordonfire.org/
- Magis Center: <https://magiscenter.com/>
- Ave Explores: www.avemariapress.com/aveexplores-series/

OUTREACH

SHELTER UPDATE: Our round-the-clock shelter continues to operate smoothly in Markey Community Center. Our little “family” of 13 beautiful people are able to shelter-in-place thanks to the gift of our center. They spend their time quietly reading, doing puzzles, keeping everything spotless, watching TV and movies, and enjoying our beautiful grounds in the lovely spring weather. During the shelter-in-place order, meals are being brought in by local caterers and restaurants, and we thank them for this wonderful, compassionate service! Shelter staff are onsite 12 hours each day to provide support, and one of the guests serves as the overnight monitor. Our mobile shower unit is on-site three days a week, and we thank our faithful and brave volunteers for providing this service. Our guests are so very grateful for our hospitality and want you to know it! Thank you for your ongoing support of the parish which makes it possible for us to be of service to others!



FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN! Our Food Pantry also continues to serve the needs of the poorest of our community each Monday and Friday morning from 10:00 AM to noon. Thanks to being an official distribution center for the Second Harvest Food Bank, we have plenty of food to offer those who need it. We are able to purchase what we need from the Food Bank at a fraction of retail cost thanks to your generous donations, and we receive many free things from the Food Bank as well. We are so grateful for our generous volunteers who come each week to serve the clients and to make the food bags and keep everything organized. Truly Christ is revealed in the breaking of the bread!



MANTLES OF CARING: The members of Mantles of Caring are occupying their isolation time with knitting and crocheting. There is a lovely array of handmade items available for your selection. Would you like a lovely, soft cap for a cancer patient? Perhaps, a baby blanket for a new grandchild? Or a prayer shawl for a Covid-19 patient? These items and more are available now.



Please contact Sue Panches (831) 661-0783 to find exactly what you are looking for and how to get it. Thank you and be safe.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

URGENT NEED FOR BLOOD - RED

CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Wednesday, June 24 from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM at Cabrillo College Gymnasium, 6500 Soquel Drive, Aptos. Appointments are needed to donate blood. Go to www.redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Thank you for giving a life-saving donation!



THE JESUIT RETREAT CENTER IS OFFERING THREE EIGHT DAY VIRTUAL RETREATS THIS SUMMER:

The Retreat Center is closed due to the pandemic, but we still wanted to offer the 8 Day Ignatian Retreat. The format will be daily online spiritual direction with one of our pastoral staff. The rest of the retreat will be on your own. The fee for this retreat is \$320.

Here are the three virtual retreats available:

- Friday, June 19, 2020 through Saturday, June 27
- Monday, June 29, 2020 through Tuesday, July 7
- Thursday, July 9, 2020 through Friday, July 17

If you are interested please email plguard@jrclosaltos.org at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Los Altos, CA



SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS: The Women's Guild is committed to helping high school senior girls further their education. We are fortunate this year to be able to award two \$1000 scholarships due, in large part, to the support of this community for our fund raising activities. These awards are being given to two young women in recognition of their outstanding scholastic achievement and their dedicated service to Church, community and school.

The **"Pat Garske Memorial" Scholarship** was named in her memory following her death in 2012. Pat was an outstanding member of the Resurrection Community, being a member of the choir and a religious education instructor. **Katherine Knapp is the recipient of this \$1,000 Scholarship.**

The **"In Gratitude to Sharon Bystran" Scholarship** was named for Sharon, a long time member of the Women's Guild, who served as a past president and has been an involved member of Resurrection Community. She has helped to contribute thousands of fund raising dollars to the Guild over the past 15 years, by chairing the annual Tea and Fashion Show. She is moving to Oregon and will be greatly missed. **Olivia Knapp is the recipient of this \$1,000 Scholarship.**

Our congratulations and best wishes to these young women, as they begin their college education.

DO YOU NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

You can call the Friendship Line @ 800-971-0016. It's the only 24/7 toll-free warm line for older adults. Whether you're feeling alone, isolated, or in crisis, you can count on the Friendship Line for a lifeline of hope and a compassionate voice. It's free for anyone in the U.S. or Canada.



RETRouvaille NEWS:



We send a great big **THANK YOU** to all who have served our country risking their own lives so we can all live in freedom. During this Shelter-in-Place time we have learned that we need to pay attention to interpersonal issues that we have not had to deal with before, The [Power of Positivity](#) website offers many great articles.

This one on [Therapists Talk About 10 Healthy Ways to Cope With Anger Issues](#) is particularly interesting. If we can safely do so, we will offer a new Retrouvaille program starting with a weekend September 18-20. Plans on how to safely do that are currently in process. If you, or someone you know, may want more information please send an email to:

Retrouvaille_Santa_CruzMonterey@mail.vresp.com with "Information Request" in the subject line or call one of our caring volunteers at 831-479-1260. Or, you can register at www.HelpOurMarriage.org All inquiries are held in the strictest confidence.

ANNUAL MINISTRIES APPEAL (AMA): It is once again time for the AMA. If you have given to this appeal in the past several years you should have received a letter from Bishop Danny Garcia in mid-February. Thank you to those who have responded to this appeal to date. Because of the Shelter in Place Order we will not be sending the letter out this month. Please make your donation on-line if you able. This is especially critical since we depend on this appeal to help support our ministries. This appeal supports the ministries of the Diocese of Monterey and our ministries here. Our Diocesan goal is \$41,000 this year and our total goal is \$69,000. Once we have reached our diocesan goal everything we receive over the goal will be returned to the parish.

To make a donation online please go to <https://dioceseofmonterey.org/giving>

Thank you for your support!

Bishop's Annual Ministries Appeal as of June 8, 2020		
# of households participating	Amount Pledged	% of total goal
58	\$18,551.00	27%

AMAZON SMILE: Many of you already shop on Amazon—now you can support Resurrection Church's Building Fund for Markey Community Center by using Amazon Smile. Log into your Amazon account by going to smile.amazon.com, using your same credentials to log in and choose Resurrection Church in Aptos, CA as your charity of choice. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible smile.amazon.com purchases made by supporters to Resurrection Church. Help spread the word!

Go to settings in the Amazon app and turn on Amazon Smile to use Amazon Smile in your app.



Thank you for your support!

Senior Resource Ministry



Inspiration comes from many places.

Bon Jovi's quote reminds me that music is the miracle that informs special moments in my life; that heightens the perception that small miracles happen "all around" me. It is the "background music", the musical score that allows me to relive memorable moments and always helps me over bumps in the road.

We are learning more about the healing properties of music. For those who are very ill, music can soothe and calm as they move toward better health. For those who are unlikely to return to wellness, the music of their lives can help them recall favorite memories.

We can listen for the daily music that announces the often overlooked miracles: the music of the wind in the trees, the birds singing, a cat's contented purr.

Music is, in itself, prayer.

CHALLENGES AND BLESSINGS

I believe God always provides blessings to help us meet our challenges. And we are certainly being given challenges this year. In a "normal" (pre-COVID-19) year, we would be busy with our usual work, activities, holiday planning, and family occasions. Ordinary life activities would allow us to avoid thinking about health protection, disease prevention, and uncomfortable social issues, like racism and inequality. I believe we are blessed with this "perfect storm" of events that create a once in a lifetime opportunity for self-examination and reflection. It is about time that we decide who we are as individuals and as a nation. Those of us who remember the unrest of the civil rights movement and the protests against the Vietnam War believed *that* time in history to be transformative: we were changing the world. Perhaps we were just preparing for the year 2020. We have been blessed with a new hope to match our challenges. It is a time to understand what it means to live the Gospel. *To Be Christ within us.*



ENSEMBLE MONTEREY FREE MUSIC:

Ensemble Monterey is offering free music downloads at www.thesundancelanestore.com, click on the Ensemble Monterey logo, then click for your free downloads. Ensemble Monterey is sharing this gift of music to help raise our spirits. This can be downloaded as many times as you want and free to the whole community. Thank you Ensemble Monterey!



Resurrection Church—Aptos, California



Resurrection Catholic Community



June 10, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

It is with both excitement and trepidation that we look forward to resuming public masses with one mass at 10:00 am on Sunday, June 14, the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. How fitting to gather again on this special feast of the Eucharist! If all goes well at this first mass, we will resume our regular weekend schedule on June 20/21. We will also resume our 8:30 am weekday masses on Tuesday, June 16 in the main church, following the same protocols as the weekend masses.

We will also continue to live stream the Sunday 10:00 am/10:15 am mass on Zoom and YouTube until widespread immunity has been developed and it is truly safe for everyone to come to church. Please note that the Church obligation which requires us to gather at church for mass each Sunday (or Saturday Vigil mass) has been suspended until further notice. (The Commandment to “keep the Lord’s Day holy” remains, of course, and we offer the live stream mass on Zoom and YouTube and the recorded mass on YouTube to support your prayer and praise at home.)

Our trepidation arises from our awareness that, in spite of the cautious "re-opening" of our society, the danger from the virus is greater than ever as the pandemic continues to worsen in California and in many other parts of the world. We must be very clear and honest with ourselves about this: We are no safer from the virus now than we were three months ago. We are in fact less safe as the number of people with the virus continues to grow here in Santa Cruz County and in California.

Given this fact, many say that it is foolish to resume public masses at this time. It certainly will be unless we all agree to conscientiously follow the public health protocols:

Social Distancing - Individuals and household groups must stay at least 6 feet away from one another at all times. We will be able to seat around 75 people at each mass. Reservations will be necessary. To reserve a place, go online to our website (<https://resurrection-aptos.org>) and click on the link entitled Save a Seat for Mass which will be right underneath the picture of church entrance or call the parish office at 831-688-4300 by noon each Friday (for this Sunday, June 14 only, call Deacon Patrick at 831-840-3750 if not able to register online). Registration will open up each week on Monday morning at 9:00 am and close at 12:30 pm each Friday for the upcoming weekend masses. (Reservations are not needed for weekday masses.)

When you arrive before mass you will need to stand on the social distancing markers outside the one designated entry door of the church (on the right side). The markers will extend from the entry door, down the sloped walkway to the parking lot sidewalk, and continue down the parking lot sidewalk in front of the church down to the hall.

When you arrive at the door you will be shown to your seat by a very nice volunteer! Every other row of pews will be kept vacant. Communion will be brought to you at your seat by Fr. Romeo or a Eucharistic Minister

going through the empty rows. (Bishop Garcia asks that everyone receive communion in the hand only. He has instructed us to acquiesce to those who insist on receiving it on the tongue, but he asks them to, in charity, consider the health risk that this represents for everyone. Fr. Romeo or the Eucharistic Minister will have to stop and sanitize their fingers before and after giving someone communion on the tongue).

At the end of mass everyone will be dismissed by rows in order to maintain social distancing in the exiting process. Please exit the building and go to your vehicle directly, not stopping to visit or talk with others. (We know this will be a sacrifice!) Every other parking space will be closed to aid social distancing in the parking lot as you exit and enter your vehicle.

Masks – Everyone (except those described below) must wear a mask over nose and mouth at all times (except when consuming the host). Healthcare experts tell us that this is one of the most important things that we can do to prevent the spread of the virus. (Children age 12 and under are not required to wear masks, nor are individuals of any age whose doctor has instructed them not to wear a mask because it would exacerbate existing health issues – but we urge such individuals to not come to church because of the risk of exposure to the virus.)

Screening - We must take everyone's temperature (using a contactless thermometer) before admitting them into the building, and they must testify that they have no virus symptoms. This will be done as you line up outside the door. **Please arrive 20 minutes before mass begins to allow time for the screening.**

Hand Sanitizing – Everyone must use hand sanitizer as they enter the church. Contact-free dispensers are on order, and until they arrive a nice volunteer will put some in your hand.

Worship Aid – Please download the worship aid from the parish website (a link will be emailed to you each week, as it has been since the shutdown) and bring it on your cell phone or tablet to use at mass, **or** print it out at home and bring it, **or** let us know that you need a printed worship aid and we will have it for you when you arrive. If you use a printed worship aid you must either take it home with you or place it in the recycling container at the church exit.

Restrooms Closed – Restrooms will be closed except for emergencies. Restrooms will have to be disinfected after each single use. Plan accordingly!

Disinfecting - We will spray disinfectant on all the pews and other contact surfaces after each mass.

It will take some time to get used to these rigors, but with humility, patience, a smile on our (masked) faces, and a kind twinkle in our eyes, we will make it better for ourselves and for one another. When we remember our brother and sister saints in Christ who had to endure far worse hardships in the past, we shall be grateful and willing to put up with whatever hardships we must. This is an opportunity for our saintliness to shine!

Thank you for your prayers and support as we transition to this new phase of living safely with the COVID-19 virus.

Blessings,



Father Romeo Evangelista & Staff