# CoVID-19/Coronavirus Updates

# **Updates for Parishes**

Updates for parishes regarding liturgical directives, financial issues, health care, and human resources.

# Updates for Schools

Updates for Schools regarding financial, health care, human resource issues including contracts.

# Actualizaciones en Español

Actualizaciones para las parroquias con respecto a las directivas litúrgicas, financieras, de atención médica, recursos humanos.

# **Catechetical Resources**

Updates and resources from the Office of Catechesis

# Liturgy Resources

Updates from the Worship Office

### **Resources for Youth Leaders**

Updates from the Youth Evangelization Office

## Pope Francis and Prayer Urbi et Orbi - Prayer and Benediction - 27 March 2020

Homily of Pope Francis

Plenary Indulgence Offered

#### Indulgences Explained

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, composed a prayer asking Mary, Health of the Sick, to intercede for us during this pandemic. Please join us in prayer.

# **Coronavirus Emergency Fund**

The archdiocese has created a Coronavirus Emergency Fund to help alleviate the financial hardship caused by the outbreak.

This fund will support the ministries serving those in need and members of our community who have been negatively affected by the pandemic including parents of Catholic school students struggling to make tuition payments. Our neighbors down the street and across the archdiocese need our help at this critical moment.



#### Donate Now

#### Prayer to Mary, Health of the Sick

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Mother of the Divine Physician, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

## **PSA from Local Leaders**

MPD reminds you to practice social distancing during this holiday week.



### What About Mass?

Live Streamed Mass

- 11:00 am Sunday Mass from the Cathedral
- Heart of the Nation Online Mass

• Daily Mass with Pope Francis (Vatican News)

Celebrate an In-Home Celebration of the Word

#### How to Make a Spiritual Communion

Check with your local parish! Many parishes are live-streaming or recording Mass for their parishioners to view on the parish website or YouTube channel.

For more resources during this time of quarantined living, please visit our Courageous Communion webpage.

### Marriage Preparation during Coronavirus

In light of the circumstances surrounding the coronavirus, the Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Conference for May 2, 2020 and the Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend Retreat for May 1-3, 2020 have been cancelled. All participants have been notified and our team is working with all of the couples to provide a plan to fulfill this marriage preparation requirement.

Meetings to plan the wedding liturgy, meetings with the pastor/pastoral staff, and meetings to review the FOCCUS and other pre-martial inventories should still take place virtually if possible.

We realize this is a heart-breaking time for so many engaged couples whose wedding plans have been significantly altered. We will pray for the peace of all the couples and those walking with them in their preparation.

The Office of Marriage and Family Life is here to serve, so please do not hesitate to contact us via email:

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### Bishop Jeffery R. Haines

April 27, 2020 - Today's Reflection presented by Catholic Financial Life.