

ACCESS TO CHURCH

The church will be open every day from 6AM until 9PM for your visits to the Blessed Sacrament. We will not prohibit anyone access to the presence of the Lord! For your information, our church was “deep cleaned” this week and we will continue to sanitize on a regular basis. When in church, please observe **appropriate social distancing for everyone’s protection.**

MASSES

As of noon Wednesday, March 18th, all public celebration of Mass is suspended. This means that no Mass will be celebrated in church until further notice. The intentions for every Mass will be fulfilled with a private Mass celebrated by the parish priests.

SATURDAY AFTERNOONS AND SUNDAYS

We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturdays from 3PM to 5PM and every Sunday beginning at 7AM until 12 Noon. I encourage every parishioner to come before the Lord to offer prayer, reflect on the Sunday scripture readings and to beg the Lord to eradicate this virus from our midst, quickly and totally. There is a prayer for this found at the end of the letter.

REMOTE MASSES

There are many opportunities to watch Mass on social media and television. I hope to be able to Facebook Live a Mass from the parish each week. However, EWTN, Domestic Church Radio (WFJS-1260 AM) broadcasts Mass three times a day at 8AM, 12 Noon and 7PM as well as the Rosary at 5:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 9:30 PM and the archbishop will offer Mass to be broadcasted at 11 AM in the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. I encourage you to remotely participate in these opportunities for prayer.

CONFESSIONS

We will have extended periods for confessions, going forward. On Saturdays we will hear confessions from 3PM to 4PM and on Sundays from 10:15 AM until 11:15 AM. It is most probable that we will not have an evening of confessions on Monday, March 30th. Please do not come to confession if you are not feeling well as this environment is very enclosed and close. We will make every effort to see that the confessionals are as sanitized as possible during this time.

MONDAY EXPOSITION

We will continue to have our usual Monday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9 AM. We are extending this devotion with a Closing Benediction at 8PM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations are suspended at this time, however, Station books will be available at the entrance to church for anyone who wishes to pray the stations on Fridays or throughout the week.

FUNERALS

Funerals will be celebrated in church according to the parameters established by federal, state and local regulations.

PARISH MEETINGS

All parish meetings are suspended until further notice and the public meeting spaces are closed as well.

PARISH OFFICE

At this time, the parish office is open for important business Monday through Friday from 9AM until 1PM. Please limit your time with our receptionists and secretaries who are always happy to see you!

CONTRIBUTIONS

Everyone is being negatively impacted by this crisis. If your means allow, please mail in your weekly contribution or make arrangements with your financial institution for online giving. It is crucial that we maintain some kind of income in meeting the parish's financial obligations.

Please be assured of our prayers for you and your families at this time of uncertainty and anxiety. As you hear over and over again on the news that the current situation is fluid and additional measures may be imposed on us for the safety, health and well-being of everyone. We hope that our obedience to the civil and religious authorities will help to end this national crisis and soon restore normalcy to our freedoms and way of life. Be assured that Father Raymundo and I stand ready to assist you in any way possible during these trying days.

May Saint Robert Bellarmine, pray for us!

With prayers,

Monsignor Beisel