

St. Anthony's Parish Newsletter

Palm Sunday - Holy Week - Easter 2020

A CATHOLIC PARISH IN THE JESUIT TRADITION

110 Anchor Avenue ▪ Oceanside, NY 11572 ▪ 516-764-0048

www.sacli.org ▪ www.facebook.com/stanthonyoceanside

MISSION STATEMENT

*We are a Catholic community of faith in the Jesuit tradition gathered around Jesus Christ and centered in the Eucharist.
In a diverse and changing world we struggle to grow in our relationship with God and with one another.
Through our worship, our ministries and our promotion of peace and justice, we walk
with Jesus of the Gospel who reveals God's love for all.*

In response to the COVID-19 outbreak, at the direction of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, all Masses, meetings, events and activities (religious and social) at St. Anthony's have been cancelled and will not resume until Tuesday, April 14 at the earliest.

News from St. Anthony's will be posted on our parish website at <https://www.sacli.org> Please make the website your first source of information about St. Anthony's. We will do our best to make sure that you have the most current information posted promptly on the site.

However, until our Masses are resumed, St. Anthony's will not publish a printed Bulletin. Instead, we will publish a scaled-down, digital-only newsletter in PDF format available for download at <https://www.sacli.org/bulletins>

We know that many parishioners do not have internet access and still others are not regular visitors to our website and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/stanthonyoceanside/> And so, we are asking you to help St. Anthony's stay connected with as many of the members of our parish as possible:

Forward this newsletter to your e-mail connections and, if you can, print out copies to share with parishioners who can't access it on the Web. Thank you. Stay safe. Be well.

What you should know...

ONLINE MASSES AT ST. ANTHONY'S



Until our regular Mass schedule can be restored, we invite you to join us for the celebration of Mass, live-streamed each day from the chapel in Tabor Retreat Center at 12:00 pm Noon.

On Sundays, we will celebrate the Holy Eucharist at 12:00 pm Noon in English and at 12:45 pm in Spanish.

During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be streamed following the Noon Mass on Fridays.

Masses will be posted for on-demand viewing during the day.

<https://www.facebook.com/stanthonyoceanside/>

The streaming schedule for Palm Sunday, the Easter Triduum and Easter Sunday at St. Anthony's is published on the following page.

SCHEDULES AND CONTACTS

CHURCH HOURS

Our church is open for visitation and private prayer:

Monday to Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

At this point, the Parish Center is not open. If you need to contact St. Anthony's, please call 516-764-0048 to leave a message.

WANT TO TALK TO A PRIEST?

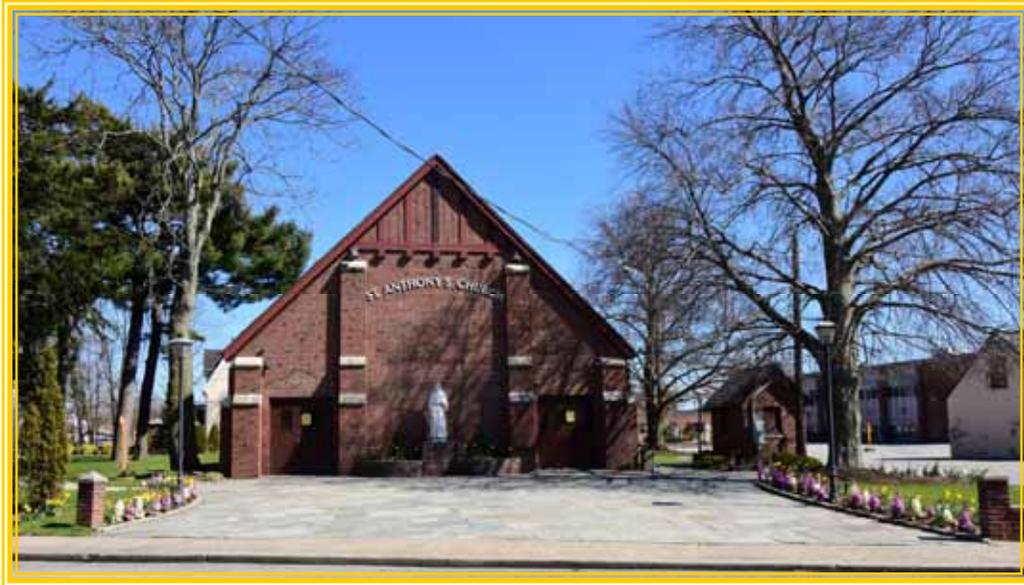
Fr. Donovan, Fr. Gannon, Fr. O'Brien and Fr. Stockdale are available to take your call to help you through these stressful days. Please call the Parish Center (516-764-0048) or email Bulletin@sacli.org to arrange a conversation.

PARISH OUTREACH

Please see page 6 for our modified schedule and procedures.

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Join us on-line for Holy Week Masses at St. Anthony's via Facebook.

All Masses will be live-streamed at the times shown.

You may also view each day's Masses on-demand after the live-streaming at your convenience.

<https://www.facebook.com/stanthonyoceanside/>

April 5 -- Palm Sunday

12:00 pm Noon

12:45 pm - Spanish

NOTE: The Diocese has directed that palms NOT be distributed at this time. Please see page 4.

April 6 -- Monday of Holy Week

12:00 pm Noon

April 7 -- Tuesday of Holy Week

12:00 pm Noon

April 8 -- Wednesday of Holy Week

12:00 pm Noon

April 9 -- Holy Thursday

7:00 PM - English

April 10 -- Good Friday

3:00 PM - English

4:00 PM - Spanish

April 11 -- Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil)

8:00 pm from St. Agnes Cathedral (<https://www.drvc.org/>)

(No service at St. Anthony's)

April 12 -- Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

10:00 AM - English

11:00 AM - Spanish

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March 29, 2020



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE of
ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Fifth Sunday of Lent

To the Faithful of the Diocese of Rockville Centre

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
As we carry the cross together, facing the devastating effects of COVID-19, please join me in thanking and praying for our first responders, dedicated doctors, nurses, staff and volunteers at Catholic Health Services and all of our wonderful hospitals across Long Island. Their sacrificial and heroic dedication during this unprecedented time is an inspiration and a sign of hope. Please join me in also praying for the incredible team at Catholic Charities who is on the front line of our response to the surge in need from the people of Nassau and Suffolk Counties. All of these brave men and women carrying out the Corporal Works of Mercy are a sign of the Holy Spirit's presence in our lives.

We must remember that, although we are being asked to distance ourselves physically, from each other, we remain joined, deeply in faith, to our brothers and sisters in Christ and in the mission of mercy of the Church we love.

I received an email from Auxiliary Bishop Richard Henning that I would like to share with you: "I am speaking with pastors and seeing an explosion of efforts to share, communicate and practice the Faith. God does indeed work in strange ways, and this terrible, grievous moment appears to be shaking many of us out of complacency. There is an energy and urgency that lifts my spirit."

Seeing the number of faithful who are now virtually participating in Mass, Holy Hours and Lenten retreats through their local parish and via the Catholic Faith Network is inspiring and I encourage you to continue to do so. I am also inspired by the rapid response of our pastors and parish leadership to care for the needs of their parish and to make this a reality. Our dedicated pastors and priests are serving in countless ways, never imagined in their seminary training.

We hear of so many special acts of kindness: people collecting food for outreach programs and needed medical equipment for our hospitals; stories of parishioners shopping and checking in on their elderly neighbors, and reaching out to Catholic Charities to help financially or by volunteering their time.

Pope Francis tells us to "remain united - to make our closeness felt to those who are alone and to those who are most stricken". So many of you are exemplifying that call and I thank you.

From the beginning of the outbreak, our Diocese has monitored our procedures for our parishes, schools and ministries. We have adhered to all directives by the authorities and our health organizations. The spiritual wellbeing and safety of our community is our main priority. Just as you and your family are now struggling with new challenges, our parishes are as well.

Now, perhaps more than ever, your parish needs your help. It cannot survive without you.

Appreciating the anxieties you are facing, we urge you to please continue supporting your parish with weekly offertory donations.

These funds are critical for the continued operation of your parish. Every day, your parish provides for the pastoral and spiritual care of its parishioners. It is there in the happiest moments in your life - weddings, baptisms, first Communions - and is a source of comfort during the most challenging times such as our current crisis or the death of a loved one. There are senior services, food pantries, youth ministries, schools, and on-going religious education.

All of this depends on you! We ask that you please consider making the sacrifice, at a minimum, to continue your current weekly level of support.

One easy way to do so is through your parish's online giving provider. Your parish may have an online giving account that can be accessed through the parish website. We have also developed a "Text to Give" option for each of our parishes enabling you to make a weekly donation on your smart phone. To access information regarding this innovative form of giving, please go to the following website <https://www.drvcmissionarygrowth.org/text2give>.

(Please use our parish's keyword to donate to St. Anthony's through Text2Give: 045parishstanthony)

At the same time, I ask our loyal supporters of the Catholic Ministries Appeal, who aid our ministries including Catholic Charities, to continue to support us if you are able. We are so grateful to those of you who continue to send in your pledge payments. We are seeing many of our ministries pivot to support those most impacted by COVID-19 and we rely on your support both in the short-term and long-term. All gifts - no matter the size - make a difference to those in need.

I truly hesitated in sending a request for support at this time, knowing the anxieties we are all facing. But as the needs of our community grow, we must ensure that our Church can continue to meet the needs of our people throughout this crisis. We must also prepare to fully reemerge when the crisis is over and we are able to join together again as the Body of Christ. I know that the faithful on Long Island understand this and will and respond as you always do in times of crisis.

If you or a family member is in need of assistance, please contact Catholic Charities at **(516) 733-7045**.

Thank you for embracing the mission of the Church. May the Holy Spirit lift our spirits so that we may see with supernatural vision the opportunities to share our Catholic Faith in these challenging times. You and your family are remembered in my daily prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

Please see page 5 for information about supporting St. Anthony's at this time of crisis.



Saint Anthony's Oceanside

110 Anchor Avenue
Oceanside, NY 11572 • 516-764-0048
<https://sacli.org/>

Office Hours/Parish Center

Monday - Friday 9:00 am to 9:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM

PASTOR

Rev. James T. Donovan, S.J.

ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Rev. Donald C. Gannon, S.J.
Rev. Daniel A. O'Brien, S.J.
Rev. Bret J. Stockdale, S.J.

WEEKEND ASSOCIATE

Rev. Pierce A. Brennan, S.J.

DEACONS

James O'Neill • John O'Connor •
Philip Savarese

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / FAITH FORMATION

Rose Dillon
516-764-0048 ext. 2520

PARISH OUTREACH

Antoinette Wagner-Teague
516-764-0048 ext. 2530

PRE-SCHOOL

Ellie Grubb
516-764-0048 ext. 2520

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Daniel Gibbons

BUSINESS MANAGER

Deacon John O'Connor
516-764-0048 ext. 2513

PARISH BULLETIN & WEBSITE EDITORIAL GROUP

We welcome your submissions of news, events
photos of Parish Events.

We invite questions or suggestions about our
Bulletin or Website.

Email - bulletin@sacli.Org

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

MASS INTENTIONS

March 30 to April 12

*During this time, Mass intentions will be included in the private Masses said
by the priests and in some of the online Masses.*

HENRY BENEL ▪ EDWARD AND ELIZABETH BRODERICK ▪
PETER BROUGHAL ▪ JOHN COLIN ▪ MARIE COMO ▪ ANTHONY CONFORTI ▪
MAUREEN CONNOLLY ▪ ANNA CREMMINS ▪ VERA CUTILLO ▪
CESAR DELGADO ▪ DIANNA M. DISCIPIO ▪ DANIEL P. FLAHERTY ▪
ROSE GAMBINO ▪ JOHANNA AND JAMES GIBB ▪ JIMMY GIVEN ▪
ANN HASSETT ▪ GRACE LIGARZEWSKI ▪ MARY BETH LONG ▪
ANTHONY LUBANO ▪ JOE MCGEARY ▪ EILEEN MURPHY ▪
PHILIP JAMES TIMONEY ▪ DON F. RITCHIE ▪ DONALD RITCHIE ▪
ANTHONY VASATURO ▪ DOUGLAS VON BRAUNSBURG ▪
MICHELINA ZAGARI ▪

THANKSGIVING TO BLESSED MOTHER ▪

THANKSGIVING TO THE SACRED HEART ▪

THANKSGIVING TO ST. ANTHONY ▪ THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH ▪

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE COMFORT, HEALING AND WELL-BEING OF PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL... AND FOR THE HEALTH OF ALL PEOPLE

MARY ABEL • ALICE ARGO • ELISABETTA AURORA • JANICE BENNETT •
PETER BRIENZA • ADAM BROWN • JEAN BUCKLEY • AL BUTKUS •
SOLMARIA CARABALLO • JOSEPH CINO • ELIZABETH COMBS •
DEVON CORBETT • JENNIFER CUTTITO • ANGELA DAVIS •
CHARLIE DELUCA • PATRICIA DELUCIE • MICHAEL DESIMONE, SR. •
MARY DONNELLAN • MARY ANNE DROZDICK • PASQUALE FERRARO •
JEFF FERRETTI • ELIZABETH FITZGERALD • MICHELE FRASCA •
LOUISE FUREY • MARIE GANGE • HENRY GARAY • GLORIA GONZALEZ •
BABY HARRY • VINCENT IOVANE • JOHN JOSEPH JACKSON •
WILLIAM KEELEY • MARY KELLY • MICHELLE KELLY •
BETH KISTNER • TOM KRANTZ • JOANN LAROCCA •
CONSTANCE LORELLI • MARIE LUSSORO • SUSAN MARSALA •
ELENA MACLEOD • TERRY MCQUADE • WILLIAM MICHELS •
FR. THOMAS MORIARTY • JOAN O'CONNOR • VITA PARINELLA •
SUSAN PASSARELLI • JAMES PASTORE • FRANK PREZIOSO • EDITH RIGBY •
A.J. RODGERS • RICHARD ROEILL • JEAN RYAN • AGNES SCHECK •
DEBBIE SCHUMAN • VINCENT SENA • MICHELLE SHERWOOD •
DOTTY SWARTHOUT • CARMINE SWEENEY • DENNESSE TAYLOR •
FRANCES TELLECCHI • JOSEPHINE VERDEROSA • LYNN VISCONTI •
CAROLINE WEIMAN • ANTHONY ZOTTOLI

**If you would like to have someone included in our Prayer Requests,
please call the Parish Office at 516-764-0048
or email your request to Bulletin@Sacli.org**

ABOUT THE DISTRIBUTION OF PALMS THIS YEAR



The Diocese has directed that parishes refrain from
distributing palms on Palm Sunday (April 5) this year.
Palms will not be delivered to parishioners, nor will
they be handed out outside churches.

Palms will likely be distributed at a later date.

We are keenly aware that many parishioners are now in financial stress brought on by the pandemic. And so, we are deeply grateful to everyone who has continued supporting the parish with their contributions since our Masses were suspended in mid-month; you are helping to sustain St. Anthony's during these trying times.

If you can help, especially during Holy Week and Easter, please mail your contribution in your Weekly Offering envelope to:

St. Anthony's Church, 110 Anchor Avenue, Oceanside NY 11572

If you do not have church envelopes, please print out this page, clip and use the coupons below to mail your contribution.



Because Masses at our church have been cancelled in response to the COVID-19 outbreak and Offertory Collections at weekend Masses are not possible, we ask you to help St. Anthony's by automating your contributions to the parish through Faith Direct.

Visit <https://www.faithdirect.net/> for full details about supporting St. Anthony's through Faith Direct.

You'll find that the Faith Direct service puts you in complete control of your donations: the amounts, the frequency of contributions and the length of time you participate.

Enroll today. It will simplify your giving and make sure that St. Anthony's has your consistent financial support throughout the year, especially at this difficult time.

You can enroll at:
<https://membership.faithdirect.net/enroll/NY581/61>
Or, call the Parish Office: 516-764-0084 ext 2513

An Offering in support of St. Anthony's Parish
PALM SUNDAY / APRIL 5, 2020

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone () _____ - _____ E-mail _____
 Amount: \$ _____

Please make check payable to: St. Anthony's Church
Please fill out this form and mail it with your check to:
St. Anthony's, 110 Anchor Avenue, Oceanside NY 11572
We are deeply grateful for your sustained support.

An Offering in support of St. Anthony's Parish
EASTER SUNDAY / APRIL 12, 2020

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone () _____ - _____ E-mail _____
 Amount: \$ _____

Please make check payable to: St. Anthony's Church
Please fill out this form and mail it with your check to:
St. Anthony's, 110 Anchor Avenue, Oceanside NY 11572
We are deeply grateful for your sustained support.

ST. ANTHONY'S OFFERTORY REPORTS
 PARISH FISCAL YEAR: SEPTEMBER 1 - AUGUST 31
 FISCAL YEAR 2020 BEGAN SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT -- MARCH 29, 2020

| | 2020 | 2019 | Variance |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Weekly Collection | \$2,490.00 | \$11,394.50 | \$(8,904.50) |
| Collection - YTD | \$300,653.83 | \$339,181.66 | \$(38,527.83) |
| Faith Direct YTD | \$53,685.00 | \$54,271.54 | \$(586.54) |
| Total -- YTD | \$354,338.83 | \$393,453.20 | \$(39,114.37) |



St. Anthony's Church
Your participation makes a difference!
"No Gift is Too Small"
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT
100% of All Funds Raised are Restricted to Support the Ministries of the Catholic Ministries Appeal and Our Parish!

2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal
 DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

Place this form and check (if any) in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket or return it to the Parish Center. Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal.

PLEASE PRINT

Pledge \$ _____ Initial Payment \$ _____ Balance \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email: _____

If a balance is due on your pledge, the Catholic Ministries Appeal Office will send you a monthly reminder with a return envelope. Please return your payments to the Appeal Office. Do not return them to St. Anthony's.

A Guide to Giving

| Pledge | 10 Payments |
|---------|-------------|
| \$1,500 | \$150 |
| \$1,200 | \$120 |
| \$1,000 | \$100 |
| \$ 800 | \$ 80 |
| \$ 500 | \$ 50 |
| \$ 400 | \$ 40 |
| \$ 250 | \$ 25 |
| \$ 100 | \$ 10 |
| \$ 50 | \$ 5 |
| Other | \$ _____ |

Help our parish meet its goal of \$76,900

ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH OUTREACH

MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE OCEANSIDE COMMUNITY SINCE 1991

Antoinette Teague - Director
ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH CENTER
110 ANCHOR AVENUE, OCEANSIDE, NY 11572
Phone: 516-764-0048 ext. 2530

CHANGE IN PROCEDURES EFFECTIVE MONDAY, 3/23/2020 -- UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

ALL REQUESTS FOR FOOD MUST BE CALLED IN TO THE FOLLOWING NUMBER:

516 764-0048 EXT. 2530
OR EXT. 2532

PRE-PACKAGED FOOD WILL BE READY FOR PICK-UP ON: FRIDAYS FROM 10AM TO 1PM (DELIVERY MAY BE POSSIBLE -- FOR SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES ONLY)

WHEN YOU CALL PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME AND A TELEPHONE NUMBER WHERE YOU CAN BE REACHED.

YOU MAY ALSO CALL OCEANSIDE COMMUNITY SERVICE ON ALTERNATE WEEKS FOR PICKUP OR DELIVERY:
516 678-6152

NOTE: OUR CLOTHING ROOM WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

FOOD PANTRY



Food donations should be dropped off in the Parish Center lobby 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday- Friday.

Please help us with donations of these in-demand foods and condiments.

Bottled Water (Small Size)
Coffee (regular and instant)
Can or Jar Gravy
Instant Mashed Potatoes
Jell-O / Pudding Mixes
Jelly / Jam / Preserves
Ketchup / Mustard / Mayonnaise
Oil (small size)
Shelf-stable Milk
Snacks

Please contribute REUSEABLE Shopping Bags so that we can eliminate single-use bags in our program.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Senior Community Center at St. Anthony's Parish

For ages 60 and over
Monday-Friday, 9AM-1:30PM
516 764-9792

Literacy (ESL, GED, Citizenship Preparation)

New Horizons Program
145 Merle Avenue
Oceanside, NY 11572
516 678-7577

(no fee to Oceanside Residents)

Literacy Nassau

187 Smith Street
Freeport, NY 11520
516 867-3580

Legal Representation

Nassau County Volunteer

Lawyers Project

1 Helen Keller Way, 5th Floor
Hempstead, NY 11550
516 292-8100

United Way 211

<https://www.211ct.org>

Dial 2-1-1 connects callers, at no cost, to critical health and human services in their community.

Other important services are listed on the next page.

CAMBIO EN LOS PROCEDIMIENTOS EFFECTIVO de 3/23/2020 -- HASTA NUEVO AVISO

TODAS LAS SOLICITUDES DE ALIMENTOS DEBEN LLAMARSE AL SIGUIENTE NÚMERO: 516 764-0048 EXT. 2530 OR EXT. 2532

LOS ALIMENTOS PREENVASADOS ESTARÁN LISTOS PARA RECOGERSE:

VIERNES DE 10AM A 1PM (LA ENTREGA PUEDE SER POSIBLE - POR ESPECIAL CIRCUNSTANCIAS SOLAMENTE)

CUANDO LLAME POR FAVOR DEJE SU NOMBRE Y UN NÚMERO DE TELEFONO DONDE PUEDE SER LLEGADO.

TAMBIÉN PUEDE LLAMAR AL SERVICIO COMUNITARIO DE OCEANSIDE EN SEMANAS ALTERNATIVAS PARA SU RECOGIDA O ENTREGA:
516 678-6152

NOTA: NUESTRA SALA DE ROPA SERÁ CERRADA-HASTA NUEVO AVISO.

HELPFUL LINKS

LOCAL HOSPITALS

<https://mercymedicalcenter.chsli.org/>

<https://www.southnassau.org/sn>

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

<https://www.drvc.org/>

<http://catholiccharities.cc/>

<https://www.svdpli.org/>

CATHOLIC RESOURCES

<http://www.usccb.org/>

<https://www.americamagazine.org/>

<https://catholicmom.com/>

<https://www.loyolapress.com/>

COMMUNITY SERVICES, EVENTS & MEETINGS

Meals on Wheels

This program is dedicated to delivering nutritious meals to home-bound seniors in Nassau County.

You are eligible if you are:

- Over 60 years of age --Homebound
 - Having difficulty cooking and shopping
 - Living alone or with a spouse with similar needs
- If you or someone you know would benefit from the services that Meals on Wheels provides, please call

516-377-2691



Alzheimer's Association

Offers the following services **free of charge:**

Round-the-clock information and support at their 24/7
HELPLINE: **1-800-272-3900**

- Caregiver Training and Community Education
- Support Groups
- Online Services: alz.org/longisland



National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is a United States-based suicide prevention network of 161 crisis centers that provides a 24/7, toll-free hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress.

Call 1-800-273-8255



Mental Health Hotline

Call 1-844-863-9314



A CORONAVIRUS PRAYER

America Magazine: March 20, 2020

Jesus Christ, you traveled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term

solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people

suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare.

In place of our anxiety, give us your peace.

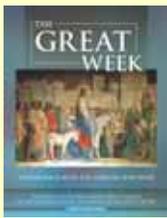
Jesus Christ, heal us.

"When you go out and see the empty streets, the empty stadiums, the empty train platforms, don't say to yourself, "It looks like the end of the world."

What you're seeing is love in action. What you're seeing, in that negative space, is how much we do care for each other, for our grandparents, for our immunocompromised brothers and sisters, for people we will never meet. People will lose jobs over this. Some will lose their businesses. And some will lose their lives.

All the more reason to take a moment, when you're out on your walk, or on your way to the store, or just watching the news, to look into the emptiness and marvel at all of that love.

Let it fill you and sustain you. It isn't the end of the world. It is the most remarkable act of global solidarity we have ever seen."



The Great Week – A Pilgrimage with the Lord in Holy Week.

Bishop John Barres has written a pastoral letter about Holy Week: *The Great Week – A Pilgrimage with the Lord in Holy Week.*

This Lent, Bishop Barres invites you to join him in making a pilgrimage in the footsteps of the Lord during the last week of His life by

attending all the liturgies that take place in your local parish during Holy Week, the final week of Lent just prior to Easter.

This pastoral letter will provide you an overview and explanation of the 'places' you will visit, the things you will see and the people you will meet on your spiritual journey.

To read the letter, visit www.thegreatweek.com

The pastoral letter will also be included in the March edition of *The Long Island Catholic Magazine*. Printed copies will be available later this month. To subscribe to *The Long Island Catholic Magazine* visit www.licatholic.org/subscribe/.