



St. Ignatius of Loyola

More than just a building, we are Church

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 26 2020

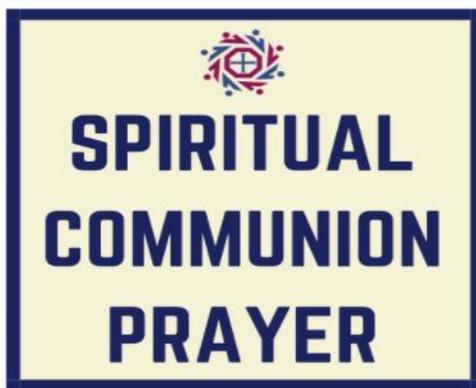


PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Pastor's Column

See inside for more details on our parish financials and more parish updates.

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SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Spiritual Communion

We invite you to join us on Facebook and to make a spiritual communion as you do so. See inside for the Spiritual Communion Prayer.

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LIVESTREAM SCHEDULE

Livestream Schedule

(All public Masses are suspended at this time. Please note Fr. Norbert & Fr. Justin will be celebrating all Masses without a congregation.)

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Faith @ Home

See inside for more information on the various activities.

Join us with various activities, videos, and projects to continue your Faith building at home. See inside for more information. Including Disney Movie reflections.



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Temporary Office Hours:
Monday-Friday: 9 a.m.- 1 p.m.
(Phone Lines only)



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WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA



**Very Rev. Norbert Maduzia
Jr., E. V., D. Min. Pastor**



**Rev. Justin Cormie
Parochial Vicar**



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Flocknote: Keep in touch with us via email or text. Parish Updates instantly. Text SILCC to 84576 or visit us at Flocknote.com/stignatiusofloyola4



Facebook: Visit us on Facebook for our Live stream of liturgical events. See liturgy page for more information. [@ignatiusloyolacc](https://www.facebook.com/ignatiusloyolacc)

MASS INTENTIONS/ INTENCIONES DE MISA

Fr. Norbert & Fr. Justin will be celebrating the following Mass Intentions this coming week.

- Charles Beyer (+)
- People struggling with addictions (LVG)
- Carol Mauro (+)
- Loraine Baker (+)
- Esperanza Lopez Montoya & Rolando Lopez (+)
- Francisco Fulgueras (+)
- Virginia Isla (+)
- Perpetual Mass Intentions
- Patricia Serrano (+)
- All Clergy & Religious (LVG)
- Pro Populo
- Milton Vera Rodriguez (+)
- Bert Estes, Dorothy Johnson, Gregorio Bravo, & Bernarda Torres (+)

WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE/ HORARIO DE LITURGIA

LIVE STREAMING ON FACEBOOK LIVE

Monday– Friday:

- 9 a.m. Daily Mass
- 12 p.m. Prayer of Regina Caeli & Holy Rosary
- 3 p.m. Prayer of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Saturday:

- 12 p.m. Holy Rosary (Español)
- 3 p.m. Prayer of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Español)

Sunday:

- 11 a.m. Mass (English)
- 1 p.m. Misa (Español)



Sent to Build Community Loan Redemption

**(through 2/29/2020)*

- *Beginning Loan Balance
\$6,025,000.00
- *Principal Payments
\$1,771,716.00
- *Remaining Loan Balance
\$4,253,275.00
- *Interest Payments
\$522,736.00

If you are new to the parish or have not made a pledge and wish to do so, please contact **Ron Svoboda**.

FINANCIALS/ FINANZAS

DIGITAL E-GIVING FAITH DIRECT

Since we are faced with the difficult decision to suspend the public celebration of Masses, as advised by Cardinal DiNardo, in our cautious efforts to avoid the spread of the coronavirus, we encourage our parishioners to consider giving online to continue your faithful donations to St. Ignatius of Loyola. Please consider using our online giving option, <http://faithdirect.net> and use our **church code TX134**. Or donate via text by texting any amount to (281)801-4940.

You will receive a link to begin the process.

If you prefer, you may also mail your check donations to the parish offices,

7810 Cypresswood Dr. Spring, TX 77379

We thank you for your continued support during this stressful time in our country and our world. Be assured of our prayers for your safety and good health!

Ignite Campaign

*Parish Goal	\$1,880,235.00
*Total Amount Pledged	\$19,155.00
*Total Amount Paid	\$10,011.00
*Total Number of Participants	6
*Total Number of Households	4026
*Average Participant Pledge	\$3,192.50.00
*Pledged Over (Under) Goal	(\$1,861,080.00)
*Paid Over (Under) Goal	(\$1,870,224.00)
*Percent Paid	1.02%



Diocesan Services Fund 2020

*Parish Goal	\$300,000.00
*Total Amount Paid	\$160,328.00
*Total Amount Pledged	\$116,019.07
*Total Number of Participants	365
*Total Number of Households	4374
*Average Participant Pledge	\$439.25
*Paid Over (Under) Goal	(\$183,980.93)
*Pledged Over (Under) Goal	(\$139,672.00)
*Percent Paid	38.67%



Help provide hope and help for those among us who are most in need. To donate online, visit www.archgh.org/dsf/



Parish Financial Information

March Faith Direct \$ 104,150.68

PASTOR'S COLUMN



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As I write this, we all are wondering the same thing – when will this end? Will we ever be back to normal? And, what will become “normal”? Obviously, at this point none of us can answer those questions. Even with the President’s three-phase plan of restarting the country, we see that there are a lot of unknowns that must be factored in. Even though the Churches have been deemed “essential” we are still under the restrictions of 10 or less people gathered. Our nave seats almost 2000 people; what purpose would it serve to allow only 10 people (including the ministers) to gather? Since we have been in the Lady Chapel, Sundays we have 8 people serving the Mass (priest, deacon, acolyte, lector, cantor, organist, worship coordinator, and camera/program operator). I know that other denominations (and even some Catholic parishes outside of our Archdiocese) are holding drive-in style services and Mass. When I was ordained, I placed my hands into the hands of the ordaining bishop and promised respect and obedience to my Ordinary and his successors. And so, I follow the guidelines set by the Ordinary (Cardinal DiNardo) of this Archdiocese. He has asked that we not have parking lot services of any kind; and so, that’s what we at St. Ignatius of Loyola will follow. Even when we reach the lightening of the “stay at home”, I don’t know how many people will feel safe coming back in a crowd. I imagine many in the “risk categories” will opt to stay home, and, who can blame them. That’s a lot to get to the point that I really don’t know when we will be able to celebrate together again. But we stand ready and as soon as we receive the permission to do it, I will notify the parish.

With the recommendation of the Archdiocese, we applied for the Payroll Protection Plan. We had everything ready a week before our bank would start taking applications. After a week of waiting, the bank notified us that they couldn’t accept the applications electronically and so they would do them manually. We turned everything they requested over to them the day they made the request. Needless to say, the bank was a day late and \$349 billion short since the funding had run out of stimulus money. And so, at this time we are not able to bring all of our employees back to work. Our collections are not there. Before the shut down we would collect anywhere from \$28k to \$34k a week (that doesn’t count Faith Direct). As of today, the collection for all of April – including Easter (which can be normally upwards of \$60k+ alone) – has been \$24.5k. So, that’s less than one fourth of our normal monthly collection! If you are able to do so, please send your tithe in via mail or sign into Faith Direct to give electronically. You can text any amount to 281-801-4940 and follow the prompts to make a one time donation or a continuous donation. To those of you who are giving – thank you for your donations and your accompanying notes of support. And for those who cannot give at this time, please know, we understand. If there is something we can do for you, please let us know. Ascención in the Outreach Department has resources available through various organizations, including Catholic Charities.

This weekend would have been a joyous one celebrating the reception of First Holy Communion for our children. I always look forward to and enjoy the day that our children receive our Lord for the first time in the Holy Eucharist. The day will come for them, without a doubt. So, in solidarity with them, as you pray the Prayer for Spiritual Communion remember them and our Elect who are waiting to be initiated into our life of faith. Talk about a trial for them! They would have been initiated at the Easter Vigil and yet, as much as they long to be one with us, we wait with them. We have also postponed weddings and baptism. It’s just heartbreaking for all of them, their families and all of us together. We have had several deaths in the parish. The majority have been buried with the rites of the Church; a couple have been cremated and the families are waiting for the ability to have a full Funeral Mass. I think of the *Hail Holy Queen* prayer: “Turn, then, O most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and **after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.**” Yet, remaining faithful will make us stronger in our faith and in our relationship with One in whom we have placed our trust, Jesus, the Lord.

Be assured of my prayers as well as those of Fr. Justin. May God keep us all safe.

With Easter Blessings of joy,

Fr. Mark

THIS WEEK'S READING

Sunday, Apr 26, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Three ways to foolishness—or faith

Some of us are quick to admit we don't need help in being foolish. We do this quite well on our own. Nonetheless, the story of the Emmaus travelers provides a checklist of choices that lead to boneheaded moves. First of all, they abandon hope too soon. Second, they separate from the community of faith. Third, they discount reports that Jesus is still being encountered. No wonder they didn't recognize Jesus when he was standing right next to them! Practice patience. Stay close. And seek the Lord while he may be found.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35 (46)*. "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke!"

Monday, Apr 27, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

Saints for all seasons

Six years ago today, Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II were both canonized. Commentators pointed out the apparent differences between these new saints: one known for his progressive outlook in convening Vatican II, one seen as upholding more traditional Catholic values. And yet their canonization was the perfect snapshot of what we believe the communion of saints to be—holy role models who are each unique unto themselves, demonstrating so many different ways to follow Christ. Ask John XXIII and John Paul II to pray for you today, requesting they guide your own distinct path to holiness.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29 (273)*. "Believe in the one he sent."

Tuesday, Apr 28, 2020

MEMORIAL OF PETER CHANEL, PRIEST, MARTYR

Exercise your right of redemption

Saint Peter Chanel is revered for having lived a courageous life as a missionary and having died a martyr's death in 1841 on the Oceania island of Futuna. The later remorse and repentance of his murderer Musumusu is also noteworthy. Having clubbed Chanel to death in 1841 on instructions from the king to "do what was necessary" to stop Chanel's evangelization, he later repented and was baptized. He asked to be buried outside the church where Chanel's remains were kept, so that the faithful would walk over his grave on their way to revere Chanel. Even your greatest errors in life can be redemptive.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 7:51—8:1a; John 6:30-35 (274)*. "The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

Wednesday, Apr 29, 2020

MEMORIAL OF CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Speak up!

Preaching is a sacred art, whether at a podium or in everyday life, "to communicate the awe of the word," says Jonathan Edwards, one of the best-known Protestant preachers. A

skilled preacher prays with scripture, studies, and reflects on the circumstances of the local and global community to inspire and challenge listeners. Each of us has the capacity to preach the Good News. One of the great saints and a member of the Order of Preachers, Catherine of Siena advises us: "Preach the truth as if you had a million voices. It is silence that kills the world."

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40 (275)*. "Now those who had been scattered went about preaching the word."

Thursday, Apr 30, 2020

MEMORIAL OF PIUS V, POPE

Set the bar high

Picture horse racing in St. Peter's Square. Hard to imagine how that worked, but it does give us an indication of the state of the papacy when reformer Pius V took charge in 1566. Though his stern demeanor and reforms did not endear him to comfortable Vatican insiders, he practiced what he preached, living and dressing simply and often walking barefoot. During a famine he used church resources to purchase corn from abroad and distributed it widely to the poor. He also spent heavily to improve the water supply and sewers of Rome. If you wish to hold others to high standards, be willing to start with yourself!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51 (276)*. "The bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world."

Friday, May 01, 2020

EASTER WEEKDAY

Food for the soul's journey

What food does to the body is what the Eucharist does to the soul. It gives us energy, strength, defense against disease. It's intimate, partaken in relationship, in family, in community. It's a gift, shared in love. If you are what you eat, as the old saying goes, then it transforms us, makes us more like Christ. Finally, we take it with us, out of the church doors. In the words of Pope Benedict XVI: "We cannot approach the Eucharistic table without being drawn into the mission which, beginning in the very heart of God, is meant to reach all people."

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59 (277); or Genesis 1:26—2:3 or Colossians 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Matthew 13:54-58 (559)*. "Unless you eat the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink his Blood, you do not have life within you."

Saturday, May 02, 2020

MEMORIAL OF ATHANASIUS, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Be an ideal person

It can feel lonely to fight for an ideal, including some of the ideals that the church has spoken up for in recent years: immigrant rights, racial justice, dignity of life from womb to tomb. Today is a good day to find inspiration and support in a soulmate: Saint Athanasius, who spent much of his energy as a bishop in the fourth century defending our core belief in the divinity of Christ as the Word made flesh. Hold fast to your ideals and continue to bring them to life.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69 (278)*. "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

LITURGY

EASTER TIME

The joy of the Easter season is still with us on this Third Sunday of Easter as we rejoice in the risen Christ. He is the promised fulfilled, truly present to us in this time of trial when the public celebration of Mass is suspended. We open our hearts to Him as we pray in our homes. Just like those on the road to Emmaus, we know him in the breaking of the bread.

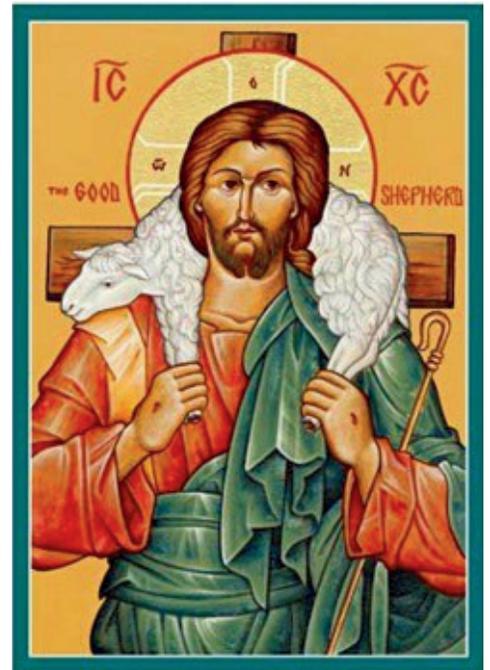
The fourth Sunday of Easter is designated Good Shepherd Sunday, a name which derives from the Gospel reading for the day, taken from the 10th chapter of the Gospel of John. The Church invites you to pray in a special way for priests and for those you might know whom God may be calling to a priestly vocation.

The celebration of Easter is prolonged throughout the Easter season. The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one "great Sunday." (GNLY #22)



This sacred season of 50 days concludes with Pentecost Sunday, when we commemorate the gift of the Holy Spirit to the apostles, the beginning of the Church, and the start of its mission to all tongues, peoples and nations.

CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!



GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY
May 3, 2020
God Bless our Priests

Digital Resources

www.giveusthisday.org

www.magnificat.com/free

www.magnificat.com/gratis

www.keepthelordsday.com/

www.ltp.org/LOH

[http://usccb.org/bible/readings/](http://usccb.org/bible/readings/031620.cfm)

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Join us in prayer at
[Facebook.com/ignatiusloyolacc](https://www.facebook.com/ignatiusloyolacc)

MONDAY - FRIDAY

Mass: 9 a.m. (English)

**Pray the Regina Caeli & the
Holy Rosary: 12 p.m. (English)
Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy
3 p.m. English**

SUNDAY

11 a.m. Mass

1 p.m. Misa (Mass in Spanish)

Watch for FLOCKNOTE updates



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit
me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer for Vocations

O loving and gracious God, Father of all, you bless your people in every time and season and provide for their needs through your providential care. Your Church is continually in need of priests, deacons, sisters and brothers to offer themselves in the service of the gospel by lives of dedicated love. Open the hearts of your sons and daughters to listen to your call in their lives. Give them the gift of understanding to discern your invitation to serve you and your Church. Give them the gift of courage to follow your call. May they have the spirit of young Samuel who found fulfillment in his life when he said to you, "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening." We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

OUTREACH



Catholic Bioethics: Beginning of Life Issues

NOW ONLINE

**Tuesdays & Thursdays
April 21 - May 7
11am-noon**

Register at:
<https://cvent.me/3EPY2K>
or call 713.741.8728



FREE COUNSELING FOR YOUR FAMILY!

Life in the pandemic can be stressful. Catholic Charities has expert bilingual counselors who can help for free during the COVID-19 pandemic. Call Catholic Charities' Mental Health Line from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to request a session, and a licensed counselor will call you back within a day. Call 713-874-6590.



Please know that our counselors are ready to support you.

Given the importance of current COVID-19 precautions, we will begin offering online therapy sessions through webcam or phone. For details and appointments, call (844) 295-3167 or visit MyParishCounseling.com/silcc

Please also visit us on our Facebook page for more livestream sessions at www.facebook.com/rejoicecounseling

Life Happens....

ZUMBA HELPS!

Join us Monday & Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. CST on Zoom.

Visit the Link Below and enter the Meeting ID to join.
<https://axiomsl.zoom.us/j/526696949>
Meeting ID: 526 696 949

Join us Saturdays at 9 a.m. CST on Zoom.

Visit the link Below & enter the Meeting ID to Join.
<https://axiomsl.zoom.us/j/507660587>
Meeting ID: 507 660 587



Virtual
Classes
Via
Zoom



zoom

Coronavirus Disease 2019

For Your Information

Our Outreach Department is providing a phone service to offer support within the church's resources.

Please call: 281-290-4606 or email: outreach@silcc.org

The information below is provided by Harris County Public Health Office.

For trusted information about the Coronavirus please call: 832-927-7575

Visit:

houstonemergency.org/covid19
or readyharris.org

Gabriel Project

We are looking for donations of new or gently used baby items:

- Bath Tubs
- Clothing (Newborn-24 months)
- Strollers
- Toys & Playmats

Please contact us at gabriel@silcc.org

THANK YOU for supporting our moms & their newborns

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston:

continues to serve people in need during the COVID-19 pandemic through all of its programs. Food pantries are open for drive-through food distribution with hours each week at our three locations: Guadalupe Center in Houston; Mamie George Community Center in Richmond; Beacon of Hope Center in Galveston. For hours and other assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic, call the COVID Assistance Line at 713-874-6521.

FORMATION

Important Information for Faith Formation Families

All faith formation for students in grades PK-12 continue to be home-based for the remainder of the spring semester. Lessons, resources, and updates are found on the Faith@Home newsletter being sent on our parish Flocknote system. If you are not receiving emails from our office, please contact faithformation@silcc.org



First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion packets are for children preparing to receive the Sacrament this Spring-Summer. If you have not picked up your child's packet, please contact Lucille Pavlock at lpavlock@silcc.org. As a reminder, the dates for our celebration of First Communion are on hold. We will notify parents as soon as possible once a final decision has been made.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

Registration is open for the 2020-2021 school year. We offer programs for children 8 months-Kindergarten. New extended hours until 4:30 p.m. are available. Registration forms available in the office. **NEW! Online registration is available on the parish website at silcc.org/mothers-day-out.** Contact Kathy or Donna at 281-370-3401 for more information.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD ONLINE!
silcc.org/childrens-liturgy-of-the-word-1

Love begins at home.
 AND IT IS NOT HOW MUCH WE DO... But how much love WE PUT IN THAT ACTION.
 -Blessed Mother Teresa
catholicALLYEAR.com

EASTER FAMILY PROJECT!
MR. GOBER'S BIBLE CHALLENGE
 Each week, our Edge students get to visit "Mr. Gober's Neighborhood" where they hear a bible story and reflection. Now it's YOUR turn! Grab your family and create a (short) video retelling your favorite bible story.
www.silcc.org/faithhome
MAKE YOUR OWN BIBLE STORY VIDEO TO SHARE
POST IT TO SOCIAL MEDIA WITH #STIGBYBIBLETIME

New on faith@home Resources for your holy family



"Watch This! - The Two Popes"

Chris Osgood, Director of Youth Ministry

Chris gives us his insights on this popular Netflix film that imagines a friendship between Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI and Pope Francis

"Watch This! Disney Edition"

Lisa Pickering, Youth Ministry Admin. Asst
 Lisa reflects on "Upward" and "Meet the Robinsons," two movies about family and forgiveness.

New videos available each week at www.silcc.org/faithhome

ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES REEL CATHOLIC

Join us Thursdays for an online movie & discussion Hosted by St Ignatius clergy & staff

FOR MORE INFORMATION: ADULTFORMATION@SILCC.ORG



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COLUMNA DEL PÁRROCO



Queridos hermanos:

Al escribir esto, me imagino que todos nos preguntamos lo mismo: ¿cuándo terminará esto? ¿Alguna vez volveremos a la normalidad? Y, ¿qué será "normal"? Obviamente, en este momento ninguno de nosotros puede responder estas preguntas. Incluso con el plan trifásico del presidente de reiniciar el país, vemos que hay muchas incógnitas que deben tenerse en cuenta. A pesar de que las Iglesias se han considerado "esenciales", todavía estamos bajo las restricciones de 10 o menos personas reunidas. Nuestra nave tiene capacidad para casi 2000 personas; ¿Para qué serviría permitir que solo 10 personas (incluidos los ministros) se reúnan? Desde que hemos estado todos los domingos en La Capilla de Nuestra Señora, tenemos 8 personas que sirven en la Misa (sacerdote, diácono, acólito, lector, cantor, organista, coordinador de adoración y operador de cámara / programa). Sé que otras denominaciones (e incluso algunas parroquias católicas fuera de nuestra Arquidiócesis) están celebrando servicios de autocine y misa. Cuando fui ordenado, puse mis manos en las manos del obispo que ordenaba y prometí respeto y obediencia a mi Ordinario. y sus sucesores Y así, sigo las pautas establecidas por el Ordinario (Cardenal DiNardo) de esta Arquidiócesis. Él ha pedido que no tengamos servicios de estacionamiento de ningún tipo; y entonces, eso es lo que seguiremos en San Ignacio de Loyola. Incluso cuando llegemos al momento en que termine la orden de "quedarse en casa", no sé cuántas personas se sentirán seguras de regresar en medio de una multitud. Me imagino que muchos en las "categorías de riesgo" optarán por quedarse en casa y quién puede culparlos. Esto es mucho y realmente no sé cuándo podremos celebrar juntos de nuevo. Pero estamos listos y tan pronto como recibamos el permiso para hacerlo, notificaré a la parroquia.

Con la recomendación de la Arquidiócesis, solicitamos el Plan de Protección de Nómina. Teníamos todo listo una semana antes de que nuestro banco comenzara a aceptar solicitudes. Después de una semana de espera, el banco nos notificó que no podían aceptar las solicitudes electrónicamente y que las harían manualmente. Les entregamos todo lo que solicitaron el mismo día que hicieron la solicitud. No hace falta decir que el banco se retrasó un día y le faltaron \$ 349 mil millones ya que el financiamiento se había quedado sin fondos y dinero de estímulo. Y así, en este momento no podemos traer a todos nuestros empleados de regreso al trabajo. Nuestras colecciones no están ahí. Antes del cierre, recaudábamos entre \$ 28k y \$ 34k por semana (eso no cuenta Faith Direct). A partir de hoy, la colección para todo abril, incluida la Pascua (que normalmente puede ser superior a \$ 60k +) ha sido de \$ 24.5k. Entonces, ¡eso es menos de una cuarta parte de nuestra colección mensual normal! Si puede hacerlo, envíe su diezmo por correo o inicie su sesión de donación en Faith Direct para donar electrónicamente. Puede enviar cualquier cantidad vía texto al 281-801-4940 y seguir las indicaciones para hacer una donación única o una donación continua. Para aquellos de ustedes que están dando, gracias por sus donaciones y sus notas de apoyo. Y para aquellos que no pueden dar en este momento, por favor sepan que entendemos. Si hay algo que podamos hacer por usted, háganoslo saber. Ascensión en el Departamento de Alcance tiene recursos disponibles a través de varias organizaciones, incluyendo Caridades Católicas.

Este fin de semana habría sido una alegre celebración de la Primera Comunión para nuestros hijos. Siempre espero y disfruto el día en que nuestros hijos reciben a nuestro Señor por primera vez en la Sagrada Eucaristía. Llegará el día para ellos, sin duda. Entonces, en solidaridad con ellos, mientras rezan la Oración por la Comunión Espiritual, recuérdelos a ellos y a nuestros Elegidos que esperan ser iniciados en nuestra vida de fe. ¡Imagínense esta prueba para ellos! Habrían sido iniciados en la Vigilia Pascual y, sin embargo, por mucho que anhelan ser uno con nosotros, esperamos con ellos. También hemos pospuesto bodas y bautizos. Es desgarrador para todos ellos, sus familias y todos nosotros juntos. Hemos tenido varias muertes en la parroquia. La mayoría han sido enterrados con los ritos de la Iglesia; dos o tres han sido incinerados y las familias están esperando la posibilidad de celebrar una misa fúnebre completa. Pienso en la oración del *Salve*. "Ea, pues, Señora, abogada nuestra, vuelve a nosotros esos tus ojos misericordiosos; y después de este destierro muéstranos a Jesús, fruto bendito de tu vientre." Sin embargo, el permanecer fieles nos hará más fuertes en nuestra fe y en nuestra relación con Aquel en quien hemos depositado nuestra confianza, Jesús, el Señor.

Tengan la seguridad de mis oraciones y de las del padre Justin. Que Dios nos mantenga a todos a salvo.

Con las bendiciones y alegría de la Pascua,

Fr. Mark

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[Domingo de oración de la mañana:](https://liturgy.life/2020/03/santificando-el-dia-del-senor-cuando-no-podemos-asistir-a-la-misa/)

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Domingo, Apr 26, 2020

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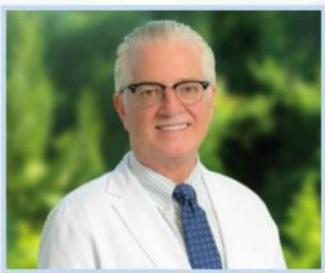

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