

March 17, 2020

Sadly, I must announce the cancellation of all Masses at St. Joseph the Worker from this point moving forward. This includes Sunday Mass and all daily masses with a congregation. We simply must do our part to avoid gatherings in an effort to reduce the risk of spreading this virus. It is our goal to implement streaming (or at least recorded) Masses here at the parish over the next few days. These Masses will be conducted without folks in the pews. As always, refer to the web site for details.

Despite the cancellation of all Masses until further notice, we want to make clear that the ministry of St. Joseph the Worker is not cancelled, it will just look a bit different. I have challenged my staff to find effective and creative ways to support you and provide opportunities for learning, community, and prayer during this time.

Tomorrow, Wednesday March 18, we have been asked to participate in a day of fasting, abstinence, and prayer. I would encourage you to stop whatever you are doing and join us between the hours of 1:00-3:00 pm in prayer from wherever you are at. The whole faith community will be praying at the same time for strength and hope in solidarity [Click here to read his full statement](#). We hope you join us in this effort. Below are some powerful resources that are available to you online.

- [Best Lent Ever](#)
- [Word on Fire](#)
- [Ignatian Spirituality](#)
- [LoyolaPress. A Jesuit Ministry](#)
- [Praying Lent](#)

If you have a Lenten resource that you would like to suggest, please email us at communicatoins@sjtw.net

As you will probably hear often, I ask you to participate in electronic giving to support our ongoing ministries and operations. One time donations or scheduled giving is available. It is quick, easy and secure. See our website page at <https://www.sjtw.net/donations> for more information. Another option is to mail your contribution. I cannot tell you how important it is to our ministry to see you make your CPL (church giving) a priority. Thank you!

Thank you for your support and faithfulness to our parish community. I am confident that together, with God's help and guidance, we will make it through this time of uncertainty.

Prayerfully,



Fr. Mike Sullivan
Your brother in Christ

Be the Change. Be Christ.