March 22, 2020 Laetare Sunday

Dear Souls of St. Joseph Shrine,

Writing from the Rector's desk, I have to inform you that, unfortunately, this Laetare Sunday, we have run into an unforeseen difficulty with our new St. Joseph Shrine YouTube channel. As we do not have 1000 subscribers as yet, we cannot upload live-stream by mobile, the current method of upload.

For this reason, the live-streaming of the 11am Mass will take place to the ICKSP YouTube channel. I urge you to visit the ICKSP YouTube channel at this link to view the live-stream.

In the meantime, if you have a google account, consider activating your YouTube account and subscribing to the St. Joseph Shrine YouTube Channel so that we can have 1000 subscribers and make it useful for our purposes quickly.

We are also looking to have an internet connection in the church building so that we do not have to borrow a mobile phone every time we need to live-stream.

Ite ad Joseph!

In prayerful union, Canon Sequeira, Vicar



March 24, 2020 Tuesday of the fourth week of Lent

Dear Souls of St. Joseph Shrine,

Divine Providence mercifully granted us the joy of Lætare Sunday to equip us with the spiritual strength necessary for bearing this next cross: the State of Michigan's <u>three week lock-down</u> and the Archdiocese's extension of suspending public Mass and Sacraments until <u>April 13th... the day after Easter</u>.

In his Liturgical Directives, the Archbishop writes, "Pastors should take precautions to keep their churches clean and open, ..., and available for prayer." Thus, our Perpetual Adoration from 7am to 7pm is maintained, respecting the limit of 10 people per hour. Please sign up here!

We must transpose the Governor's "stay home, stay safe" to "Come Home, Become Safe". Society must return to its spiritual home! We need a return to grace; we need to seek refuge in the Sacred Heart; we need to place ourselves under the mantle of the Blessed Virgin; we need to fly to the protection of St. Joseph!

You can also contact us any time for confession or an urgent sick call. We are here for you.

While the public suspensions of Mass and distribution of the Eucharist are great crosses to bear, we can most certainly offer them in reparation for Liturgical Abuses and Sacrilegious Communions.

Now is a pressing time to deepen our personal prayer life and the prayer life of our families. You can follow our <u>YouTube Channel</u> for Live-streams. The next two scheduled events are: Wednesday, March 25th Annunciation, 7pm High Mass and Passion Sunday, March 29th, 11am High Mass.

In addition to these live-streams, please find included below a recommended prayer intention schedule for morning, afternoon, and evening each day of the week. Let us pray as a spiritual family united in these intentions.

Our Lady's Immaculate Heart WILL triumph, may we remain Her faithful children.

With you in the Most Chaste Heart of St. Joseph,

Canon Stein, Rector



PRAYER INTENTION SCHEDULE

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	For the return to a practice of confession for those fallen way	For an increase of the virtue of Faith	For the elderly and the sick	For the unemployed	For priestly and religious vocations	In reparation for scandalous clergy and religious	In reparation for blasphemies against Our Lady
Afternoon	For the restoration of public Masses	For an increase of the virtue of Hope	For the sanctification of the youth		For the restoration of the distribution of Communion	1 *	For an increase in devotion to Our Lady
Evening	For perseverance of the Domestic Church	For an increase of the virtue of Charity	For the sanctification of spouses and parents	For all in a position of leadership	For the courage of priests administering the Sacraments	In reparation for liturgical abuses	For the Triumph of Her Immaculate Heart



March 27, 2020 Friday of the fourth week of Lent Commemoration of St. John Damascus

Dear Souls of St. Joseph Shrine,

On this day when we would normally recite the Stations of the Cross publicly together, I wanted to reassure you that we are indeed shouldering this current cross together!

Attached please find the last two homilies: Lætare Sunday and the Annunciation as well as a pdf of our Stations of the Cross booklet.

Our next live-stream Mass and homily will be this coming Sunday, March 29, Passion Sunday at 11am EST. Our YouTube Channel now has over 1,000 subscribers, congratulations!

Please know that we have nurses within in the parish implementing a sanitization protocol. While there are daily sanitizing wipe-downs, <u>please take note that we will be ending this Saturday's Perpetual Adoration at 4pm.</u> This will allow us multiple hours for an even deeper full-scale clean as well as a time to veil all of our statues for Passiontide without disrupting your prayers.

Again, never hesitate to contact us for confessions and sick calls. We are here for you.

With you at the Foot of the Cross,

Canon Stein

PS. Don't forget our Parish's Total Consecration to St. Joseph (using Fr. Calloway's book available for purchase here at the Shrine) which begins on March 30th and ends on May 1st, Feast of St. Joseph the Worker! <u>We are working toward having a daily reading of the devotions posted day by day, stay tuned!</u>

N.B.: 1. Link to Adoration sign up sheet.

2. St. Joseph Shrine YouTube Channel.

Follow St. Joseph Shrine on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, and visit our Website and Campaign.

According to St. Thomas Aquinas, Spiritual Communion includes 2 main elements: an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him. Spiritual communion produces within us effects similar to Sacramental Communion, according to the fervor of our desire and to the love with which we give Him welcome and attention. An ardent Spiritual Communion obtains for us the graces we need to become more pleasing to God, to practice virtue, and to avoid sin. An act of Spiritual Communion can be made with your own prayerful words or using a formula such as this one below.

Act of Spiritual Communion recommended by St. Alphonsus Ligouri:

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things, and I long for Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace Thee as though Thou hast already come. I unite myself entirely to Thee. Never permit me to be separated from Thee. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us.

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, pray for us.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

St. Francis de Sales, pray for us.

St. Therese of the Child Jesus, pray for us.

Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, March 29, Passion Sunday (Fifth Sunday of Lent)

Private Low Mass Azélie Marie Juricic, requested by Juricic family

Private High Mass Pro Populo

Vespers & Benediction

Monday, March 30, Monday of Passiontide

Private Low Mass † Nicholas Pizzo, requested by the Switzers

Tuesday, March 31, Tuesday of Passiontide

Private Low Mass † Patrick Powers, requested by the Chisholms

Wednesday, April 1, Wednesday of Passiontide

Private Mass & Perpetual Novena St. Joseph Confraternity

First Thursday, April 2, Thursday of Passiontide

Private Low Mass Dominic Juricic, requested by Juricic family

First Friday, April 3, Friday of Passiontide

Private Low Mass

Monsignor Gilles Wach

Private Low Mass

Oratory Groups

First Saturday, April 4, Saturday of Passiontide

Private High Mass † Joanne Goral, requested by Janice Goral

Sunday, April 5, Palm Sunday (Sixth Sunday of Lent)

Private Low Mass

† Susan Lang, requested by Janice Goral
Private High Mass

Pro Populo

Private Vespers & Benediction