

Dear Parishioner,

In an on-going effort to keep you abreast with directives from the Archdiocese of Detroit regarding measures we have to take during this pandemic, I am writing you again to inform you that parishioners have been excused from attending liturgical services including the Holy week and Easter celebrations. However, priests are recommended to continue private masses as always and offer the intentions of their parishioners and the uncertain situation that we are in. As indicated in the earlier letter to you, on Palm Sunday, palms will be blessed and made available for all when the Stay Home, Stay Safe order is lifted. I will celebrate Holy Thursday without the washing of feet. Good Friday and Easter vigil services will be livestreamed from the Blessed Sacrament Cathedral. On Easter Sunday, I will celebrate a private mass. I ask that you log on to our parish Facebook, My Parish App and website.

Yesterday, after hearing the order of Governor Gretchen Witmer to Stay Home, Stay Safe, and the directives from the AOD regarding the postponement of liturgical services, I made very difficult staff changes, done because of financial consideration. While this hurts me, I believe that it hurts you even more that you are not able to support your church so that we can take care of our obligations. So, if you have not really downloaded the Online giving app, this is an opportune time to do so because the parish depends on it.

Our mission as a church is to look out for one another. In these uncertain times, a lot of our elderly parishioners may be having a difficult time adjusting to this reality, and as a result might experience loneliness and depression. If you know of any parishioner living alone and who needs a visit or someone to talk to, please call the parish office and inform us. Keep hope alive, God will see us through this moment. Blessings!

Fr. Festus Ejimadu