

Corona Chronicles #1

March 2020

Although we have had to close our physical Church space for health crisis reasons, we are still very much a going concern:

1. Father Arthur and Deacon Paul continue their ministries,
2. Francine is managing administrative affairs,
3. Mary, Elaine and Helen are keeping the bills paid and financial records straight,
4. Wardens continue to manage operations,
5. Parish Council including Trustees continue to meet to provide broad leadership for our beloved Church
6. Counters and our Envelope Secretary Ron are managing the revenue, and
7. A myriad of volunteers are helping with extra cleaning and safety issues, building and rectory maintenance and daycare liaison.

We continue to pray for the health and safety of our Clergy, Parishioners, Staff and our Diocesan brothers and sisters!

Father Arthur has written a letter to us all for this Eastertide. Normally we would receive "Eater Giving" envelopes with the letter. A few parishioners will still receive the letter by mail but mostly it will be emailed.

Moreover, some expenses are reduced by a degree, but the majority are rolling in as before. Therefore, please maintain your regular giving pattern during this time of crisis. If you were accustomed to bringing your giving to a worship service in an envelope, you could now do one of the following:

1. Church mail slot – drop off donations through the door slot, even though the office is closed to visitors, Francine and Fr Arthur will get your offering to the right people
2. E-transfers – use the electronic payment options on our website
3. PAD –continue to use this if you do so already OR sign up (please contact Francine for instructions by email.

The response thus far has been amazing and heart-warming. Many people have used the Interac option to send in around \$41540!! Many thanks to you and all those who sent in more by other means. We are so grateful for your love and care for our Church.

Please take care of yourselves and families and friends. Please continue to pray for guidance from the Holy Spirit to help us through safely. Take every opportunity to view your new lifestyle with gratitude and peace as you use the gift of "isolation" to stay connected with our Lord and each other.

Blessings,
Your Wardens