

# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Mass Times

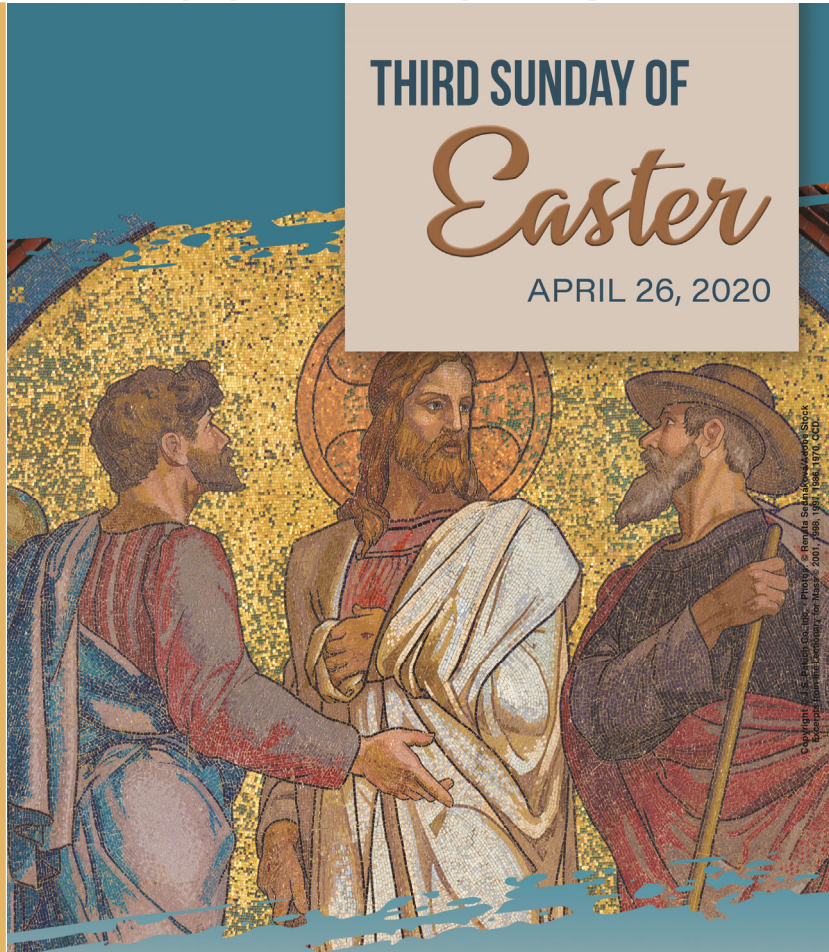
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THIRD SUNDAY OF

*Easter*

APRIL 26, 2020



Were not our hearts burning within us  
while he spoke to us on the way  
and opened the Scriptures to us?

Luke 24:32

You have made known to me the  
paths of life; you will fill me with joy  
in your presence.  
— Acts 2:28

PLEASE JOIN YOUR  
HOLY SPIRIT FAMILY  
ON LIVE STREAM FOR  
MASSES &  
DEVOTIONS VIA  
FACEBOOK & THE  
CHURCH WEBSITE

Daily Mass – Mon thru Sat  
@ 8:30am

Sun @ 11:00am

Holy Hour with Divine  
Mercy Chaplet  
Mon thru Fri @ 3:00pm

Rosary – Mon thru Sat  
@ 7:00pm

## Parish Mission

“To be the light to our World by: Praying and Celebrating as a Eucharistic Community,  
serving those in need with unconditional love & generosity”



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday-Friday 9:00-4:30 PM  
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## SACRAMENTS

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism Class – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at 7:00pm in the Family Life Center.

You **MUST** be registered at the Parish for 6 months.

Baptisms – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month after the

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Wednesday – 6:30pm & Saturday - 4:00pm  
or by appointment

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or your loved one is in need of the Sacrament of Anointing, please call the Parish Office at any time.

We also have dedicated Eucharistic Ministers to bring Holy Communion to the sick and the homebound.

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY

Couples must contact Father Amar & Cheryl Bergman at least 6 months in advance.

### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

K thru 12th Grade, Sundays 9:30-10:45am; Aug - May

Pastor, Fr. Amar Nagothu, MSFS  
[amarmsfs@holyspiritchurchjax.org](mailto:amarmsfs@holyspiritchurchjax.org)

## SERVICE MINISTRY CONTACTS

Adoration	Ben & Perlita Lipat	904236-0439
Altar Society	Linda Davis	904-329-2714
Angels of Mercy	Kathie Garrett	904-565-1859
Annulments	Ann & Tim Hergenroether	904-591-8004
Bible Study	Ron Coleman	904-641-8688
Choir - Adult & Filipino	JoJo Munoz	904-422-1764
Choir - Folk	Bob Vigliano	904-476-4240
Choir - Junior	Phil Militante	904-620-8841
Elizabethan Ministry	Jennifer Cabrey	904-993-9500
Grounds	Jerry Robichaud	904-642-5714
Healing Prayer Ministry	Jeff & Vickie Slade	904-449-1447
Hope & Consolation	Pam Andres	904-571-5998
Hospitality	Sandy Coleman	904-613-2993
Knights of Columbus	John Murnin	904-714-8873
Legion of Mary	Ted Slezak	904-859-8777
	Anne Fabre	409-658-2229
Marriage Building	Ramon & Natalia Molano	305-989-0634
Men's Club	Dave Garrett	904-565-1859
Offertory Counting Cmte.	Diane Davis	904-641-7244
Prayer Blanket Ministry	Marcia Scheeter	904-641-7115
	Kathy Lehane	904-477-0808
Quilts for Vets	Diane St. Laurent	904-220-9199
Religious Store	Kathie Garrett	904-565-1859
Respect Life Coordinator	Renee Bascon	904-382-6093
Rosary Ministry	Marti Pounder	904-553-5205
Scouts - Boys & Cubs	Linda Byer	904-483-6113
Scouts Girls	Theresa Wondracek	904-762-6869
Society of Divine Mercy	Fred Althoff	904-229-7604
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Don Zehnder	904-312-3242

## HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Pre-K - 8th grade

P: 904.642.9165 | F: 904.642.1047



### Principal, Dr. John Luciano

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### School Secretary/Bookkeeper

Ronda Lagow

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# This Week @ Holy Spirit



Sat	Apr 25	+Mauro, Emerlinda & Romalyn By: Gaspin & Yanez Families
Sun	Apr 26	Holy Spirit Parishioners Brian & Fatima Chamber (Annv) By: Chambers Family
Mon	Apr 27	+James P. Kallas By: Penemarie Murphy
Tue	Apr 28	+Logan Mc Murtry By: Mary Reilly
Wed	Apr 29	+Wayne Mathews & Fred Gaida By: Mathews Family
Thu	Apr 30	+Joseph P. Cartolano By: Maria Cartolano
Fri	May 01	+Margaret Victorian Guillory By: Family
Sat	May 02	+Estela & Erguimides Gonzalez By: Doris Herrera
Sun	May 03	Holy Spirit Parishioners Deceased members of Ebri & Ntiti Families

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK



**Monday:** Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29  
**Tuesday:** Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35  
**Wednesday:** Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40  
**Thursday:** Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51  
**Friday:** Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59, or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 -2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58  
**Saturday:** Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69  
**Sunday:** Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter  
Tuesday: St. Peter Chanel;  
St. Louis Grignon de Montfort  
Wednesday: St. Catherine of Siena  
Thursday: St. Pius V  
Friday: St. Joseph the Worker; First Friday  
Saturday: St. Athanasius; First Saturday

**HOLY SPIRIT PARISH will suspend Public celebration of Mass and all scheduled events including Ministry Group Meetings effective March 18, until further notice as directed by the Diocese of St. Augustine.**

**The church will remain open daily for private prayer from 9:00am - 2:00pm**

During this difficult time, many of the faithful may be unable to attend Mass. To help them sanctify their day, we are honored to make our online version of **MAGNIFICAT** temporarily available to everyone for free.

Please help us spread this message and share this email and link: [www.magnificat.com/free](http://www.magnificat.com/free) with as many people as you can.

## **Formation and Spirituality in the Home**

The Office of Christian Formation will continue to provide good resources for formation and spirituality to assist people during this difficult time. These lists continue to grow and many are posted on the Diocese of St. Augustine COVID-19 resource page (<https://www.dosafl.com/coronavirus>).

Materials and links for the following resources are available:

- Adult Faith Formation and Spirituality
- Children and Youth Formation
- Family Specific Materials

## **Participating in Mass from a Distance**

A few resources to assist you as you attempt to participate in Masses from home:

- Celebrating Mass at Home
- LifeTeen
- Tips for prayerful participation in an online Mass

# FROM MERCY SUNDAY

A prayer from our family to yours!



Lord, open our hearts to receive the gift of your Divine Mercy.

We look forward to the Glorious Day when we will once again worship and receive you gathered as one faith community.

Hear the prayers of your Holy Spirit family.

Amen.

**The Molano Family**

**DIVINE MERCY  
DOOR WREATH ON  
CHRIS & HAL GIBSON'S  
FRONT DOOR!!**



# STEWARDSHIP CORNER

## TIME Talent TREASURE

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING APR 19, 2020

Offertory:	\$ 23,200.00
FLC Pledge:	\$ 5,389.00
Emergency Fund:	\$ 396.00
School:	\$ 907.00
*Online Giving:	\$ 10,800.00
*Included in above totals	

Please continue your sacrificial giving by using the Parish Online giving app <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/holy1166175> or by mailing your offering to the Parish Office.

Thank you for your sacrificial giving and may God continue to Bless your generosity.

### ANGELS OF MERCY

This ministry provides transportation to the doctor, grocery store, and pharmacy for our Parishioners. We can also provide meals for a limited time if you are ill or returning home from the hospital.

If you are ever in need of our services, please contact  
Kathie Garrett @ 904-565-1859

Please consider being an Angel,  
the more the merrier!

### St. Vincent de Paul



Thank you for your support of the work of St. Vincent de Paul Society in their service to the needy and underprivileged of our area.

#### Current List of Needs

**Dry Goods:** Ramen & spaghetti noodles, stuffing, pasta sides, peanut butter, jelly, rice(1lb bags), cereal (individual packs), dry beans

**Canned:** Spam®, tuna fish, soup, pasta w/sauce, chili, pork & beans, meats and fruit.

Donations could be dropped off at the Church Office!

Parishioners wishing to donate used furniture items may do so by contacting the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop at 904-396-7473.

# OFFERTORY GIFTS NEEDED

## Offertory Gifts Needed for Parishes to Continue Ministries

It would be difficult to overstate how challenging these days have been for all of us, as we face the various effects of the COVID-19 crisis on our families, jobs, and communities.

Among the most dramatic ways we've had to adjust to this pandemic is the suspension of Holy Mass and refraining from gathering as a community. And while the public celebration of Mass has been suspended, the work of the church goes on.

The crisis is having a significant financial and economic impact on us all. Our inability to gather each week at Mass also means your parish is unable to receive your offertory gift there, and it can't be stressed enough how vital this support is to the parish and the people who work there.

Parish and school operating budgets depend on this revenue to pay employees and all the other monthly expenses associated with running the church. We don't have large sums in reserve. Your continued support of your parish is crucial now.

Please visit the online giving page <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/holy1166175> and set up your regular contributions to your parish as soon as possible. Of course, you may also mail your offertory gift to the parish. Either option will be greatly appreciated; however, the online giving option enables you to make a recurring gift that will provide your parish greater financial stability during this crisis and in the future.

Many of our people also are in financial hardship because of this crisis. If your circumstances prohibit you from giving now, we understand completely and pray that your situation improves very soon. **If you are in urgent need of help, please call the parish office @ 904-641-7244.**

Thank you for your prayers, your faithfulness, and your support. May the Lord bless and keep each of you and your loved ones during this challenging time.

### Specific Text Instructions

- 1) Text the "GIVE" to our Church text giving number [501-273-3327](tel:501-273-3327).
- 2) If first time you will be prompted to click link to register.
- 3) Select "SIGN IN" to register your account.
- 4) Enter the secure pin that the system will text you.
- 5) Select fund or funds you want to give to.
- 6) Enter donation amount and payment information.
- 7) Select "SAVE PAYMENT".
- 8) After registration texting a gift is extremely easy and fast.  
Simply text the desired amount and fund to [501-273-3327](tel:501-273-3327)  
Example: 100 Offertory (means \$100 to Offertory)  
For a list of funds text, Keyword
- 9) You will receive a confirmation for your gift.
- 10) It is recommended to save the number to your contacts.



### INSTRUCTIONS for HOLY SPIRIT ONLINE GIVING

- 1) Sign in to <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/holy1166175>
- 2) First time: Select "SIGN IN" to register.
- 3) Select giving by "TEXT" or "EMAIL".
- 4) Select using "BANK ACCOUNT" or "CREDIT CARD".
- 5) Select fund or funds giving to: Offertory, Family Life Center, etc.
- 6) Select amount giving.
- 7) If you want this to be a recurring gift click in the box next to "RECURRING GIFT".
- 8) Select "SUBMIT", you will receive confirmation email.



**Did you know with the help of a Step Up For Students scholarship, you could afford to send your child to a Catholic school near you?**



Step Up For Students has scholarship programs for Florida schoolchildren, including scholarships for children from lower-income families and for children with certain special needs.

## Special Needs Scholarship

The **Gardiner Scholarship** helps Florida families customize education for their children with certain special needs who are ages 3 through 22. The scholarship covers 17 diagnoses, including autism spectrum disorder, Down syndrome, intellectual disability, spina bifida and traumatic brain injury. Parents can use scholarship money toward a combination of approved programs and providers that best meet their children's unique learning needs.

## Income-Based Scholarships

Two scholarships are available for lower-income students: the **Florida Tax Credit Scholarship** and **Family Empowerment Scholarship**. Both scholarships give students an option to find the best schools to meet their K-12 learning needs.

To learn more or apply, visit [www.StepUpForStudents.org/catholic](http://www.StepUpForStudents.org/catholic).

Program funds are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

In partnership with



## Part-time Music Teacher Needed

Holy Spirit School is seeking for a part time Music teacher for the 2020-21 school year. Two days per week.

This could be a full time position if candidate wants to teach at Blessed Trinity School, as well. Must be familiar with the Catholic Mass, have experience as a choral director, and at least three years of teaching experience to apply.

Send resume and letter of interest to

[Dr.luciano@hscatholicschool.com](mailto:Dr.luciano@hscatholicschool.com)



Congratulations to the following winners of the Cash Raffle:-

**Roxanne Short, Teresa Lucena and Jose Bascon.**

Thank you to all who supported the school's annual raffle ticket fundraiser.

This year, in spite of the Covid-19 issue, we still raised \$7,554 dollars for the school.

Thanks to all who participated.

God bless you all!!

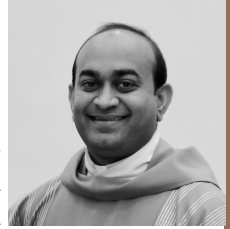
## SCHOLARSHIP FACTS

Parishioners,

Did you know the state of Florida offers private school scholarships for many families that are not considered "low income?" That's right, the new Family Empowerment Scholarship is designed to assist middle income families in covering the cost of a private school education for their children.

Go to [www.stepupforstudents.org](http://www.stepupforstudents.org) to learn more about these programs and to apply.

## JESUS CAME UP AND WALKED BY THEIR SIDE



**Life is hard without Jesus.** It is hard with him too but he gives it meaning. The two disciples on the road to Emmaus were without Jesus. Their lives were shattered and they had lost all hope. The dream was over and they were on their way to try and build a new life. There have been times when each of us has shared their experience.

Then Jesus approached and began to walk along with them. We know that during most of this seven-mile walk with Jesus, the two disciples failed to recognize the true identity of their travel companion. It was not until they were seated at table with him - and Jesus broke and shared bread with them - that their eyes were finally opened.

**What was it about such a simple act that enabled them to recognize Jesus?** Undoubtedly, it reminded them of that powerful moment that directly preceded Christ's betrayal, passion and death: The Last Supper. In addition, it may have reminded them of countless experiences of table fellowship with Jesus and the other disciples: simple, personal and intimate opportunities to understand more about Jesus' - and their own - identity. The ordinary - but profound - act of breaking and sharing bread had become for them a gateway to experiencing the divine precisely in the midst of everyday, human events. On an even broader scale, it may have reminded them of the experience of communion and community that they experienced with Jesus and their fellow travelers throughout all the ups, downs and in-betweens of living, learning and loving together.

**Do you meet Jesus in the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist?** St. Francis de Sales, in his book, On the Preacher and Preaching, wrote: *"It is certain that since our Lord is really within us, he gives us brightness, for he is the light. After the disciples at Emmaus had communicated, 'their eyes were opened.'"* (Page 26) In our celebration - and reception - of community, gathered around the table of the Lord, we are challenged to see both how Christ is present in the Eucharist and also how Christ is present in us.

*If you cannot find God, guess who's lost.*

*"That they should seek God, if happily they may feel after Him or find Him, although He be not far from every one of us: For in Him we live, and move, and are; as some also of your own poets said: For we are also His offspring."*

*Acts 17:27-28*



Still, we need to expand our notion of communion in order to more deeply understand the meaning of this scene in the Gospel. Jesus is especially present whenever there is table fellowship; Jesus is embodied whenever people allow themselves to be broken and shared with - and for - others. Jesus is seen whenever people focus more on what brings them together and less upon those things that would drive them apart.

When we break bread with others - literally, or figuratively - the ongoing power and promise of the risen Christ is made manifest to us. When we choose to break ourselves open to nourish and feed others, we embody in our own day and age something of the same Jesus who companioned these two disciples so long ago.

**The question is:** do we recognize Jesus in our attempts to feed others? Do we recognize Jesus when others do the same for us?

Peace and good health.

# KEEPING IN MIND



The 2020 Florida Eucharistic Congress, scheduled for May 15-16, is **officially cancelled**. The Eucharistic Congress Steering Committee explored several options to reschedule the congress later this year, but unfortunately, the venue is unavailable.

Bishop Felipe Estévez has decided to save the money and use the funds for next year's gathering. Mark your calendar for the 2021 Florida Eucharistic Congress, scheduled for June 4-5, at the Prime Osborn Convention Center in Jacksonville.

Please visit <https://flec.dosafl.com/> and the diocesan social media channels for updates on next year's program.

The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner.

To Report Abuse, call: Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator 904-262-3200, ext 129 or the Department of Children and Families at 1-800-962-2873

## HOW TO KEEP IN TOUCH

Many of our Parishioners have not joined our Facebook page: @HolySpiritJax and many have not provided correct email addresses and are missing important messages from Fr. Amar and the Bishop. Please urge your friends to join our Facebook page and explain how easy it is to do. If you are receiving email messages from Fr. Amar urge your friends to call the office or email and provide/updated contact information.

Let us be together and support one another during these difficult and dark times.

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

Bishop Estévez will celebrate the sacrament of confirmation with adults on the following occasion:

- ♦ Sunday, May 31, at a 2:00 p.m. Mass in the Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine.

This celebration is for Catholics 18 years and older who want to complete their initiation. These adults have already received the sacraments of baptism, reconciliation, and First Eucharist.

Contact Deacon Ed Prisby for Registration information.

June 22- 26, 2020

8:30 – Noon

Stay tuned for more info!!



Please Pray for the Expectant Mothers!

Alexandra Sills, Samantha Sims,  
Martha Majjamo,



Expecting?

Contact the Elizabeth Ministry for info



## EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

## RELIGIOUS ED

### In Memory of:

Sarah & Franklin  
In Thanksgiving  
Cipriano & Angelina Bautista  
Angelina Cartolano  
Joseph P Cartolano  
Edmund Gralowski  
Tanya Grabowski  
Harold Gibson  
Louise Gibson  
Henry & Josephine Ziegler  
Kurt & Hedi Hachmeister  
Thanksgiving for Jesus  
For all our Loved Ones  
Conner & Rouillard Families  
Jerry Thibault  
Sarah & Franklin  
In Thanksgiving  
Cipriano & Angelina Bautista  
Angelina Cartolano  
Joseph P Cartolano  
Edmund Gralowski  
Tanya Grabowski  
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Mr. & Mrs. Lope DeGuzman  
Leonardo & Arvex DeGuzman  
Milagros Lavarias  
Aida Paisay  
Mr. & Mrs. T. Petalver

### By:

Barbra Lauderdale  
Barbra Lauderdale  
Carmelita Bautista  
Cartolano Family  
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Chris & Hal Gibson  
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Chris & Larry Freeman  
Chris & Larry Freeman  
Chuck & Denise Conner  
Sharon Thibault  
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Chuck & Denise Conner  
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Families



**THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR EASTER  
FLOWER DONATIONS!**

**MAY GOD BLESS YOU  
ALL!!**



## Religious Education

### CCD CLASSES

Teachers are sending work home electronically. All assignments have been sent home. Parents, please work with your children to complete and contact teacher if you have any questions.

### FIRST COMMUNION

It has not been determined if First Communion will still take place on May 02, 2020 since that depends on when the "Safer at Home" mandate is lifted and direction from our Pastor. I am working with the Diocese to develop a digital/online format for the First Communion Retreat so that parents can prepare the children from home. STAY TUNED...

### CONFIRMATION

We will advise once we get the new date from the Bishop's office. Assignments have been sent electronically and deadlines to return completed review pages to Mrs Maria are:

April 7 (Ch. 6)  
April 14 (Ch. 7)  
April 21 (Ch. 8)

### Stay connected with your Parish

**Mass Streaming:** Holy Spirit daily masses and devotions are being streamed through [Facebook](#) and our [Website](#).

**Church Open:** The church will remain open daily for private prayer from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Spend a few minutes with Jesus in prayer or meditation while still practicing social distancing.

**Confessions:** Father is doing confessions by appointment using social distancing guidelines. Call the office at (904) 641-7244.

**Offertory:** Please remember to mail/drop off your envelopes or take this opportunity to transition to [online giving](#).

**Church Bulletins:** You can still read current [bulletins](#) on our website.



**CONNECT WITH US ON FACEBOOK!**

**Holy Spirit Catholic Church Parish Group**

# COVID -19 TIPS

## COVID - 19 & YOU

### Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

#### What it is

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a new virus.

The disease causes respiratory illness (like the flu) with symptoms such as a cough, fever, and in more severe cases, difficulty breathing. You can protect yourself by washing your hands frequently, avoiding touching your face, and avoiding close contact (1 meter or 3 feet) with people who are unwell.

#### How it spreads

Coronavirus disease spreads primarily through contact with an infected person when they cough or sneeze. It also spreads when a person touches a surface or object that has the virus on it, then touches their eyes, nose, or mouth.

#### Symptoms

People may be sick with the virus for 1 to 14 days before developing symptoms. The most common symptoms of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) are fever, tiredness, and dry cough. Most people (about 80%) recover from the disease without needing special treatment.

More rarely, the disease can be serious and even fatal. Older people, and people with other medical conditions (such as asthma, diabetes, or heart disease), may be more vulnerable to becoming severely ill.

People may experience:

- cough
- fever
- tiredness
- difficulty breathing (severe cases)

#### Prevention

**There's currently no vaccine to prevent coronavirus disease (COVID-19).**

**You can protect yourself and help prevent spreading the virus to others by:**

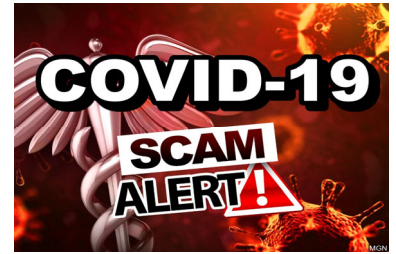
- Washing your hands regularly for 20 seconds, with soap and water or alcohol-based hand rub
- Covering your nose and mouth with a disposable tissue or flexed elbow when you cough or sneeze
- Avoid close contact (1 meter or 3 feet) with people who are unwell
- Stay home and self-isolate from others in the household if you feel unwell

#### **Do not:**

- Touch your eyes, nose, or mouth if your hands are not clean

#### **ATTENTION**

An important reminder to be particularly vigilant and protective with your personal information and financial resources during this difficult time.



Nothing brings out the scammers like “free money,” and the recent decision on Economic Impact Payments (or “Stimulus Checks”) being sent out by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as tax credit under The "Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act" or the "CARES Act" has scammers already coming up with schemes to defraud taxpayers and small businesses of their money and important personal identification data. Specifically, identity thieves are using confusion over the stimulus checks and associated bank loans. They are also appealing to faith groups and individuals offering special aid for churches that are scams and Catholics are prime targets.

When it comes to the IRS and taxes, remember that **the IRS will never:**

- Call to demand immediate payment over the phone, nor will the agency call about taxes owed without first having mailed you a bill.
- Threaten to immediately bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have you arrested.
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- Require you to use a specific payment method for your taxes, such as a prepaid debit card, gift card, or wire transfer.

• Ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone. If you should be contacted by anyone representing the IRS (or anyone representing a government agency) and looking for your personal information, suspicion is warranted. When in doubt, assume it's a scam.

For more information from reliable sources on these topics: *Federal Communications Commission (FCC) COVID-19 Consumer Warnings and Safety Tips:* <https://www.fcc.gov/covid-scams>

*Better Business Bureau (BBB) Latest News on Scams:* <https://www.bbb.org/us/news>

*Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Coronavirus Tax Relief:* <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus> (Note from IRS: At this time, the IRS does not have any information available regarding stimulus or payment checks. When the IRS has more specific details on the stimulus checks available, IRS will make it available on this page.)

*IRS on Economic Impact Payments and What you need to know:* <https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/economic-impact-payments-what-you-need-to-know>

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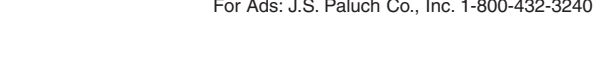
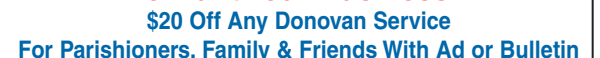
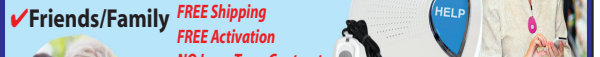
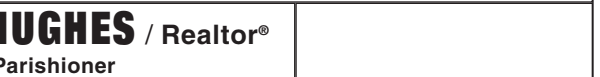
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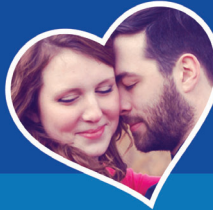


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