

WEB LETTER #2

GOOD MORNING ST JOSEPH'S...FR PETER
AGAIN

THIS IS OUR 2ND SUNDAY WITHOUT YOU
TO CELEBRATE MASS WITH US AND IT
SEEMS THIS WILL BE THE NEW NORMAL
FOR SEVERAL WEEKS TO COME.

ONCE AGAIN, PLEASE KNOW THAT ALL
YOUR PRIESTS HERE---FR DAWSON, FR
PAUL AND FR TRAVIS CONTINUE TO PRAY
FOR YOU---AND ESPECIALLY FOR THE
HEALTH AND SAFETY OF YOUR FAMILIES.
EVERY MORNING, THE 4 OF US
CELEBRATE A PRIVATE MASS TOGETHER
AND LIFT YOU UP IN OUR PRAYERS.

I JUST WANTED TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE AS THINGS CONTINUE TO CHANGE. LIKE EVERYONE ELSE, IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY, WE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO CUT BACK OUR STAFF. RIGHT NOW, THE RECTORY OFFICE IS CLOSED. OUR CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER ONLY FROM 8 AM UNTIL 12.

WE HAVE NEW DIRECTIVES FROM BOTH ROME AND THE ARCHDIOCESE ABOUT HOLY WEEK---SADLY, ALL PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS ARE CANCELLED. ON PALM SUNDAY, WE WILL HAVE BLESSED PALMS AVAILABLE FOR YOU OUTSIDE THE FRONT DOORS OF THE CHURCH.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY IS CANCELLED. EMERGENCY CONFESSIONS CAN BE ARRANGED BY CONTACTING A PRIEST. THEY MUST BE DONE IN AN OPEN SPACE AND NOT IN A CONFESSIONAL. AGAIN, THIS IS FOR EMERGENCY CONFESSIONS NOT DEVOTIONAL ONES.

ALL OF THE CELEBRATIONS OF HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY, THE EASTER VIGIL AND EASTER ITSELF CANNOT BE CELEBRATED PUBLICALLY THIS YEAR. THE CELEBRATION OF RCIA ON HOLY SATURDAY AND 1ST HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE POSTPONED UNTIL A LATER DATE.

FOR WORSHIP RESOURCES OR FOR HOW YOU CAN CONTINUE TO PRACTICALLY SUPPORT ST JOSEPH'S DURING THIS CRISIS, PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE: SAINTJOSEPHSBRONXVILLE.ORG

KNOW THAT YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES ARE IN OUR PRAYERS. THESE ARE HISTORIC TIMES FOR OUR WORLD AND FOR OUR CHURCH.
CHOOSE PEACE OVER PANIC AND
CHOOSE FAITH OVER FEAR.
GOD BLESS YOU.