

# MESSAGE FROM FR. TIM

MARCH 20, 2020

In the email blast that went out earlier this week announcing the cancellation of weekend Masses, I asked for those who have technical skills in live streaming to contact me. I also asked for people to volunteer to shop for those who are elderly and are concerned about going out. The response to these requests has been amazing; I want to Thank all of you who so quickly responded. Hopefully, by next weekend we will be able to have Mass set up to be viewed remotely by those who wish. People are living our Mission Statement at a time when we need you most: "To Love, To Serve, To Be Hope." If you are someone who needs assistance with shopping, please contact the parish office, and we will have someone reach out to you.

Another request I have of you is to please continue your financial stewardship to the parish. I realize that some of you are facing your own financial challenges: reduced hours, lay off, income stretched. Because of the cancellation of Masses, we do not have our regular opportunity to receive your financial gifts.

Some of you have stopped by the office to drop off your gift, mailed it in or you are one of our many electronic givers; for this I am extremely grateful.

The parish office will continue to be open during the day so you may drop off your gift, mail it in, or if you would like to sign up for electronic giving for this period of time, please go to our website ([DONATE](#)). In the bottom, right-hand corner there is a donate button. You will be able to set up one-time or recurring giving on this page. If you need assistance, please call the parish office (651-683-9808) and Karen Maza, our Business Administrator, will help you set it up.



This will help us to continue to pay our mortgage, utilities, staff salaries and benefits, and other expenses that are critical to our parish and ongoing ministries.

THANK YOU for your commitment to St. Thomas Becket, your understanding and patience as we journey through this "Lenten" time of life together. Our greatest gift is faith, not fear.

Stay Well,

Fr. Tim