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My Dear Friends,

We have completed six weeks of the Stay at Home Order (which some of you refer to as lockdown) issued by the State. During this very difficult time you have shown your presence and your support to us and to your fellow parishioners. Your presence is felt when we gather to pray on Friday evening with the Stations of Light/Stations of the Resurrection, on Saturday at 4:30 PM for the vigil liturgy, and on Sunday at 10:20 AM for the special liturgy for the deaf.

You have called us, written us, and have certainly showed us your support and the needs that you have. We are very honored to be able to share with you, pray with you and to do whatever we can to be a support for you.

We want you to be aware of different things that are happening within our parish.

Hunger Center:

As you probably already know, our efforts in the Hunger Center continue. This past week we averaged about 130 people per day coming to our Center for a meal. In addition, we delivered close to 400 meals per day. We have never served that many people at a daily meal (other than on holidays). With the help of the Cleveland Police Department, TownHall Restaurant, many volunteers, and our staff, we have been able to deliver meals to many people who are unable to come to the Hunger Center and may otherwise have gone without daily meals during this time.

Public Mass:

The Ohio Bishops have informed us that they would like to try and open the churches for public mass on May 30th and May 31st. We certainly hope that this can be done. We ask that until that time you continue to join us online for our streamed services and liturgies.

Fridays at 4:30 PM: Stations of Light/Stations of the Resurrection/The Via Lucis
(interpreted for the deaf)

Saturday at 5:30 PM: Sunday Vigil *(interpreted for the deaf)*

Sunday at 10:20 AM: Sunday Mass (fully signed)

Our streamed videos can be found:

Live-Streamed on Facebook: St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church Cleveland
(<https://www.facebook.com/groups/322593631470068/>)

Upload shortly afterward On YouTube: St Augustine Church
(<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyYV7q0Om3tcLiwcEf4J63Q/featured>)

Uploaded to St. Augustine Website at www.staugustinecleveland.org

Audio Only is available during the service by calling (216) 270-6331 and providing the access code of 2020#

Sacraments: RCIA and First Communicants:

Please keep it in your prayers so that during the month of June we can complete the sacraments for many of our people that have been a part of the RCIA and First Communion for our children preparing for that sacrament.

Mother's Day:

This coming Sunday is Mother's Day so during this week we will keep in special prayer all of those who are mothers. You especially have been taxed during this time. In so many cases you have been called to work your own job, to be at home, to work with and support your children. You have been asked in so many different ways to give of your time, effort and your love. You have always been willing to do this in your role as mother, but now you are doubling the efforts during this time. I really thank you for that. Please know that this is a week of prayer for you.

Many mothers are now by themselves and this can be a difficult time for you. Please know that you have our support and can call upon us. I hope that on Mother's Day you feel the prayers and support of your family and Parish.

Many of us have lost our mother's through death. During this week let's remember them, the great gift they were to us, and all that they taught us. Their example and way of living will be a real help to us as we go through this very difficult time.

Golf Outing:

Many of you know by now that we had to cancel the annual Sister Corita Golf Outing which raises money for the Hunger Center. We are so thankful to the committee that has worked so hard on planning the golf outing throughout the year. They have already raised over \$7,000 for the Hunger Center without even hosting the event. We look forward to having the golf outing next year.

Augustine Rainbow Camp:

At the current time we are still trying to decide on if Augustine Rainbow Camp can take place this summer. We ask for your prayer as we make our decision. May our decision be beneficial to our children.

Our collections for the past several weeks are as follows:

April 11th and 12th: \$3,328.32

April 18th and 19th: \$8,099.50 (Easter)

April 24th and 25th: \$3,175.00

May 2nd and 3rd: \$4,424.40

We thank you for your continued prayers and support. So many of you, through your donations, have made our ability to continue serving others possible. Others have made it possible by donating your time, efforts, and prayer. I thank you for your support and ask that you continue to support us moving forward.

The best ways to contact us are as follows:

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Please know that are always in my thoughts and prayers.

God bless,

Fr. Joe