



REVEREND DANIEL B. CARSON

VICAR GENERAL AND MODERATOR OF THE CURIA

Dear Brother Priest,

Please see today's update below and be assured we shall continue to keep you informed.

Nationwide Renewal of the Consecration of the United States to the Blessed Virgin Mary

Archbishop Gregory will celebrate a brief liturgy tomorrow, May 1, at 3 pm (EDT) at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception as part of the Nationwide Renewal of the Consecration to Mary, Mother of the Church. Live stream is available as noted below. Please communicate this to your communities in the way you deem best.

Archbishop Gregory will join with the Most Rev. José H. Gomez, Archbishop of Los Angeles and President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and bishops from across the United States and Canada, who, from their respective dioceses, will seek the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, during these unprecedented times of COVID-19.

Though the Basilica is closed to the public due to the coronavirus pandemic, the faithful will be able to participate via live stream on the Basilica's website at nationalshrine.org/mass, on its YouTube channel at YouTube.com/MarysShrine, and on its Facebook page at facebook.com/nationalshrine.

Worship aids are available [here](#) in English and [here](#) in Spanish to follow along with the live stream of the archbishop, to use if you plan to live stream from your parish, and to share with your parishioners to use in their homes.

Human Resources Benefits Newsletter

Understanding and relying on your ADW benefits is important during the COVID-19 crisis. Linked [here](#) is an HR Benefits Newsletter prepared by the Office of Human Resources to help support all priests and your employees. Please forward the newsletter to your staff. Should you have questions, please reach out to our Human Resources Office at archdiocesehr@adw.org.

Message from the Office of Child Protection and Safe Environment

Due to the COVID-19 quarantine, the Office of Child Protection and Safe Environment staff is currently working from home. As always, our number one priority is everyone's well-being while maintaining a safe environment for our community. The office has been working diligently and creatively during this

pandemic to help ensure members of the Archdiocese of Washington become compliant with the Child Protection Policy.

As an example of this work, we are offering interactive Virtus training sessions. Members can sign up for a class through their Virtus account and participate online. Additionally, those who are in need of an electronic background check can email [**fingerprinting@adw.org**](mailto:fingerprinting@adw.org) to schedule an appointment.

Please contact our office at **301-853-5328** or via the email addresses of staff listed below if you need any assistance with electronic background checks or the Virtus training classes.

The Child Protection & Safe Environment Team:

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Remind the Faithful of Information on the Website

The archdiocesan website in response to the coronavirus is updated regularly with information, in English and Spanish, for you and the faithful available at [**adw.org/coronavirus**](http://adw.org/coronavirus), which includes a link to find a listing of live stream Masses and prayers available at [**adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers**](http://adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers)/The *Catholic Standard* and the Spanish-language *El Pregonero* newspapers are currently available online at [**cathstan.org**](http://cathstan.org) and [**elpreg.org**](http://elpreg.org).

As ever, should you have questions or need assistance from my office or the Pastoral Center, please let us know. Please be assured of my prayers for you.

With gratitude for your priestly ministry, I am
Sincerely in Christ,
Reverend Daniel B. Carson
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