



## REVEREND DANIEL B. CARSON

### VICAR GENERAL AND MODERATOR OF THE CURIA

Dear Brother Priest,

I write today to provide you updates. I will continue to keep you informed as we navigate this challenging time.

#### **Pastoral Plan for Sick Calls**

Linked [here](#) is a Pastoral Plan for Sick Calls to assist you in this important ministry to the sick. Should you have any questions, please be in touch with Fr. Martino Choi at [choim@adw.org](mailto:choim@adw.org).

#### **Pastoral Resources from the Office of Catechesis – First Communion Celebration**

While we do not know when the coronavirus restrictions will be lifted, it may be helpful to start planning now on working towards when First Holy Communion will be able to be celebrated. To help you, linked [here](#) is a document titled “First Holy Communion – Pastor Resource” and it highlights liturgical norms and models for your consideration for when we resume parish gatherings. As you communicate with parents about postponed celebration of the sacrament and new models, if determined, please consider encouraging them to work with their child on sacramental preparation using the First Communion At-Home Retreat linked [here](#) in English and linked [here](#) in Spanish. These resources are also being shared with your catechetical leaders.

Sara Blauvelt ([blauvelts@adw.org](mailto:blauvelts@adw.org)) is happy to discuss both First Communion models and use of the At-Home Retreat.

#### **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/).

Additionally, please share with your communities that during the coronavirus shutdown, the *Catholic Standard* and the Spanish-language *El*

*Pregonero* newspapers of the Archdiocese of Washington have not been printing, but these news sources are available on-line at [cathstan.org](http://cathstan.org) and [elpreg.org](http://elpreg.org), as well as being shared across social media platforms.

As ever, should you have questions or need assistance from my office and 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  
Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia