

Dear Brother Priest,

I write today to provide you updates and promise to continue to keep you informed through this challenging time.

Archbishop Gregory Statement on Fatal Shooting of Ahmaud Arbery in Georgia

Archbishop Gregory's statement is linked here.

Presbyteral Conferences

Presbyteral Conference times are scheduled for tomorrow, May 13 from 1 pm – 3 pm. Should you wish to meet with the archbishop by phone during this time, please be in touch with Deirdre Schmutz at <u>schmutzd@adw.org</u> or phone 301-853-4420 to set up an appointment.

PPE and Sanitation Supplies

Now is the time to start trying to procure PPE and sanitation supplies. I share with you below the vendors that our Facilities Staff have used and have had success with in ordering and receiving cleaning supplies over the last few weeks.

W.B. Mason

Sales Rep: Andrea Goldberg

<u>www.wbmason.co</u>m

1-888-926-2766

S. Freedman & Sons, Inc.

Sales Rep: Preston Rico

www.sfreedman.com

301-322-6400

<u>TriMark</u>

Sales Rep: Daniel Meekins

1-800-347-8093

Leonard Paper Company

Sales Rep: Jim Killian

301-922-0734

jkillian@leonardpaper.com

<u>Walmart</u>

www.walmart.com

I also share with you again the central portal that has been set up by the State of Maryland for reaching vendors of PPE and sanitization supplies. As the coronavirus pandemic has unfolded, health care providers, first responders and the State of Maryland have sought help to source Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and supplies to enable health care workers and essential employees to safely care for patients and perform their duties. At the same time, manufacturers have reached out to seek guidance on how they can contribute to the cause. In support of this, the State of Maryland joined together with manufacturers to create the Maryland Manufacturing Network, a platform for suppliers to share their current resources and capabilities and for buyers to identify these suppliers and share their current and upcoming needs. We believe that this portal will enable the network to make the connections necessary to quickly address some of our most crucial supply chain needs. This portal can be found linked <u>here</u>.

Suspicious Emails

We continue to receive many calls and emails about another round of fraudulent emails being received by people from a spam account using Archbishop Gregory's or other priests' names. Please note that the archbishop will not communicate a need for assistance in this way. We are unable to stop these emails as these fraudulent email accounts are outside of the ADW domain. Please be diligent in not responding to suspicious emails. You may want to communicate this as well to your parishioners. Additionally, linked <u>here</u> is an article in the Catholic Standard alerting readers to these fraudulent emails.

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 <u>adw.org/coronavirus</u>, which includes a link to find a listing of live stream Masses and prayers available at <u>adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-</u><u>prayers/</u>. The *Catholic Standard* and the Spanish-language *El Pregonero* newspapers are currently available online at <u>cathstan.org</u> and <u>elpreg.org</u>.

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 Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia