

Dear Brother Priest,

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

Message from the Facilities Office

With many of the parish buildings closed for weeks to curtail the spread of the coronavirus, the lack of use can cause other issues. The circulation of water regularly in pipes and fixtures helps prevent unintended issues because water contains chlorine to help keep the system clean. Please ensure that the water is circulated weekly throughout the church, the school, parish hall and any other buildings that are not in regular use. Please run the water and flush toilets to ensure that every fixture is operating properly. Should you have concerns, please be in contact with Michelle Shelton at sheltonm@adw.org.

Copyright Update

If your parish would like to use hymns in your online Masses or services, it is important to be in contact with the Office of General Counsel to ensure you are included in the license protections we are seeking. Copyrighted hymns may not be performed during online Masses or services without a streaming/podcast license. The Archdiocese is working with licensing companies to determine the suitability of a group license for our parishes. You can reach the Office of General Counsel at legaladmin@adw.org or (301) 853-4495.

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, which includes a link to find a listing of live stream Masses and prayers available at adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/ The Catholic Standard and the Spanish-language El Pregonero newspapers are currently available online at cathstan.org and 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 Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia