

Dear Brother Priest,

I write today to provide you updates. I will continue to keep you informed during this challenging time.

## Five Ways to Increase Offertory Giving

Almost all of our parishes have experienced a decline in offertory giving since the suspension of public Masses in March. Please click <u>here</u> to watch the webinar by the Offices of Pastoral Ministry and Social Concerns, Development, and Parish and School Financial Operations, and featuring the actions parishes are taking to increase parishioner engagement and increase levels of giving.For overall questions, please contact Ms. Adrienne Willich, Executive Director of Parish and School Financial Operations, at <u>willicha@adw.org</u>.

## Parish Communications Survey

This spring's Stay at Home order has reinforced the importance of effective digital communication for parishes both large and small. To better help the Archdiocese of Washington create resources and trainings to support your parish communication efforts, we ask that every person who manages your parish's digital communication (i.e. website, email newsletters, Flocknote, social media) complete the short survey linked <u>here</u> by July 3. Following tabulation of the survey results, we will send out an invitation to a webinar regarding Flocknote and parish email systems to highlight parish best practice models and opportunities for peer mentorship in this area as well as formation and networking resources in other areas as well. Should you have any questions, please reach out to Jonathan Lewis, Assistant Secretary for Pastoral Ministry and Social Concerns at <u>lewisj@adw.org</u>.

## Letter on Racial Justice from Catholic Bishops of Maryland

Linked <u>here</u> you can find the Letter on Racial Justice, released June 15 by our MD Catholic Conference, now available not only in English and Spanish, but also in French, Vietnamese, and Korean.

## 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>***I*. 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