



St. Mary—Our Lady of the Isle

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Dear Friends in Christ,

I hope this note finds you feeling well and keeping safe! As the number of Coronavirus cases continues to dramatically increase, we are maintaining our current policy of NOT allowing use of St. Mary's Church, Parish Center, or Fr. Griffin Hall. This is a drastic, yet necessary measure for our Faith Community to prevent further the spread of the virus.

We will continue to Live Stream all scheduled Church services and activities. I hope you can join us for these opportunities to pray together via our Parish Website or Parish App. I find this to be a good way to stay connected with the Lord, and with one another.

Bishop da Cunha has urged all parishes in the Diocese to continue to pay all employees their regularly scheduled hours, to have them work at home, if possible, or on site, if safe to do so, by practicing social distancing. Sensitive to the decline in offertory for parishes, Bishop da Cunha is making available access to a Diocesan Emergency Grant Fund for parishes in grave financial circumstances.

Please know that you can still contribute to St. Mary's by mailing your offertory envelope to our Parish Office, or through our online giving feature which can be found on our Parish Website or App. Your continued generosity would be greatly appreciated, if possible!

Let's all continue to pray for an end to this pandemic of Coronavirus, and do our part to halt it's spread. Hopefully, we will soon be able to pray together again in our beautiful St. Mary's Church.

Peace,

Fr. John Kelleher