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****Updated March 14, 2020****

**Please discard earlier versions of this letter
as there were typos and editing errors on the edition posted to our web-page
and sent out through our parish letters and notices.**

**This updated note was posted on Facebook very soon after the original note
appeared.**

I apologize for the confusion.

March 13, 2020

Dear Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish,

This letter is an update regarding the rapidly evolving information regarding COVID-19.

I wanted to remind you that if you are feeling unwell, sick, are immune compromised, or if someone in your home is immune compromised please do not feel that you need to attend Mass. In fact I am requesting that you do not attend Mass. Last Sunday we referred to some ways in which we stand in solidarity with one another. Doing everything we can to lessen the spread of this virus is real way of standing in solidarity.

Our regular weekday Mass schedule remains. Weekday Mass is now in the church so there is a lot of room to spread around. If Sunday Mass seems too busy for you, weekday Mass is a good alternative.

In the midst of hearing of things being cancelled I wish to invite you to a special time for prayer. Beginning Monday, the church will be available for individual prayer from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. Our church is very large and we will all have sufficient room for our individual space.

In Prayer,

Fr. Remi