

MASSES TO BE CELEBRATED PRIVATELY AND CANCELLATIONS TO COMBAT THE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS

As concerns surrounding the spread of the Coronavirus continue to grow, Bishop Edward C. Malesic, after consulting with the Presbyteral Council and Senior Staff, has decided to temporarily suspend all weekday and weekend public Masses in the Diocese of Greensburg effective Wednesday, March 18, 2020.

The Church of St. Anne will remain open for private prayer on Sunday from 9:00 a.m. until Noon, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.; Thursday from 8:30 a.m. until Noon. The Parish Office, likewise, will be open during these daily hours, however, will not be open on Sunday. Please consult the Parish Office, 724-872-3555, or Email mkoshar@dioceseofgreensburg.org, for more information.

Until further notice, all Masses scheduled on Mondays and Thursdays, in addition to weekend Masses, 4:30 p.m., 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., will be offered in private for the intention listed in the weekly bulletin. (Select "Bulletin" from the tabs at the top of the home page to view.)

Bishop Malesic is urging the faithful to remember in their prayers all those whose lives have been impacted by the Coronavirus outbreak. Quoting the Bishop, "This is a seriously contagious illness. We have trust that God will see us through, but we must do our part to not overwhelm our hospital systems. We have a responsibility to our neighbors. These actions help us to be proactive in the spread of this disease."

To stay continuously updated with communications, recommendations and actions taken by the Diocese of Greensburg to combat the spread of the Coronavirus, text "Faith" to the number 724-305-3057 to sign up for important text message alerts. Up-to-the-minute communication is available on all Diocesan social media outlets—Facebook, Twitter and Instagram—and at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/healthalerts.

All events, classes and sessions are canceled here at the Church of St. Anne, which include Faith Formation classes, New Society, Blood Pressure Screenings, Lent Bible Study, R.C.I.A, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Stations of the Cross, Regional Communal Penance Services, and Adult Choir Practice. For other events not mentioned, please call the Parish Office, 724-872-3555, or Email mkoshar@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

Appointments for Private Confession may be made by calling the Parish Office, 724-872-3555.

Affidavit clearance after the Masses on Saturday and Sunday, March 21/22, is canceled. A copy of the affidavit, which can be taken to a notary personally, can be requested by Emailing Istanley@dioceseofgreensburg.org or by calling Laretta, 724-872-3486. The *Virtus*/Mandated Reporter session to be held on Saturday, March 28, is also canceled until further notice.

The cleaning of the Church on March 31/April 1, from 9:30 a.m. until Noon, is still planned. Volunteers to help are asked to call the Parish Office, 724-872-3555, or Email mkoshar@dioceseofgreensburg.org if available and want to come. Check this website closer to that time for more information.

Please check the weekly bulletin posted on this website, as well as the Diocesan website, www.dioceseofgreensburg.org, for future updates.