



St. Joseph Weier

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Spiritual Communion and Prayer Resources

From The Archdiocese of St. Louis - Office of Worship

As the spiritual leaders of our parishes we are including below several resources that can be used and shared with your parishioners during this time to encourage ways they can stay connected through prayer. While it is certainly difficult to be unable to celebrate Mass as a parish, there are many other things we can be doing during this time to stay sacramentally connected. Along with the directive and mandates already set for from the Archbishop, the following are several resources that you may find beneficial.

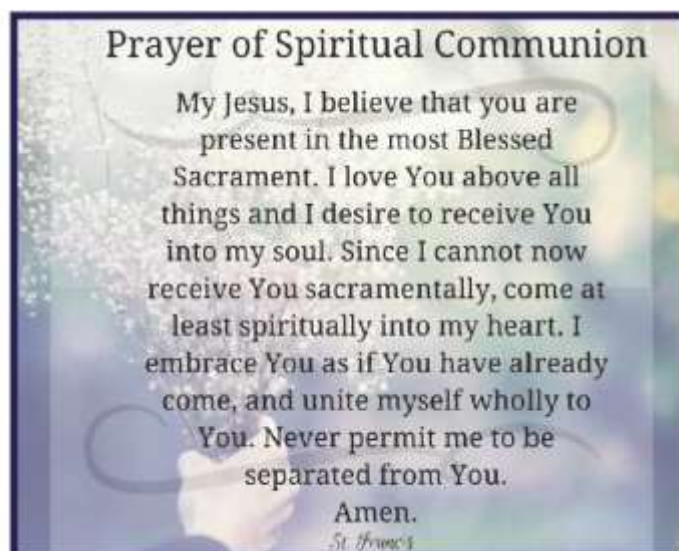
SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Receiving the Blessed Sacrament in the Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic faith, but during these unprecedented times and to ensure the health and safety of all people, it is not possible to receive the Sacrament during this time. However, there are still opportunities to draw close to Christ and unite with the Church during these difficult times.

“The Church obliges the faithful “to take part in the Divine Liturgy on Sundays and feast days” and, prepared by the sacrament of Reconciliation, to receive the Eucharist at least once a year, if possible during the Easter season.”

--Catechism of the Catholic Church §1389

While we are unable to receive the Blessed Sacrament during the next several weeks, we can take the opportunity to participate in Mass online, reflect on scripture, and engage in further spiritual reading. One excellent way to receive the blessings bestowed upon us is through a Spiritual Communion. Below is a copy of the prayer that can be used or distributed amongst the faithful.



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PRAYER RECOURCES

- MAGNIFICAT:
 - Their online version is being made temporarily available to everyone for free: www.magnificat.com/free
 - Free temporary access is also available in Spanish: www.magnificat.com/gratis
- Give Us This Day:
 - <https://giveusthisday.org/Free>
- Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe:
 - https://youtu.be/M-KF_ZxbkD4?list=PLpTzvCOJa7DCHlfdjcDiaydw7XUGHYQOE

SCRIPTURE & SPIRITUAL READING

- Daily Readings: <http://usccb.org/calendar/index.cfm?showLit=1&action=month>
- Catechism online: <http://ccc.usccb.org/flipbooks/catechism/index.html> OR <http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/INDEX.HTM>

LIVE-STREAM MASS OPTION

- The Cathedral Basilica is live-streaming the 8am weekday Mass and the 10am Sunday Mass on their website: <http://cathedralstl.org/live/>.
- Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Hillsboro is also live-streaming on their website and Facebook:
 - Website: <https://mygoodshepherd.com/livestream>
 - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Good-Shepherd-Catholic-Church-152469170154/>

It is our hope that during these unprecedented weeks ahead it will be a time of prayer, reflection, and spiritual growth amongst your parish families. We must continue to encourage those we lead to spend time in silent conversation with our Lord. Only He can carry us through these times. We must take up our cross and unite in prayer together.

Archbishop to all Catholics:


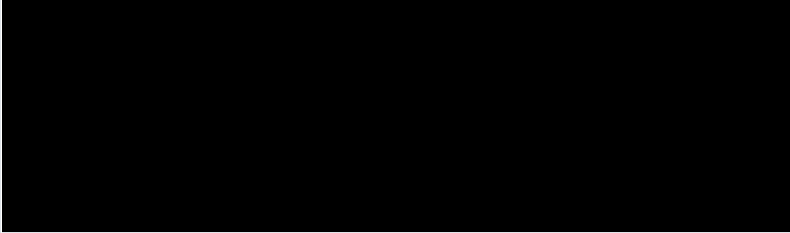
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Sorrowful mysteries:

[The Rosary - Sorrowful Mysteries \(prayed by Archbishop Carlson & the seminarians\)](#)


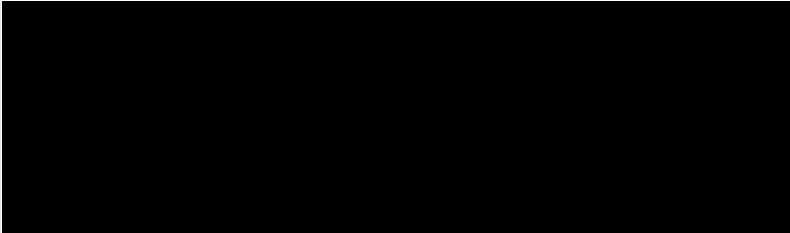


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Luminous mysteries:

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