

SEVEN DOLORS & ST. PATRICK'S PARISHES

SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND, 2020 + 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

***For the greater glory of God,
we will do as Christ tells us.***

A Message from Fr Kerry

Dear Parishioners,

First of all, I miss seeing you. I know you miss seeing each other. But I know we are connected through God's Spirit – and through social media. Words are very hard to come by in this crisis but, as you know me, I may still have a few!

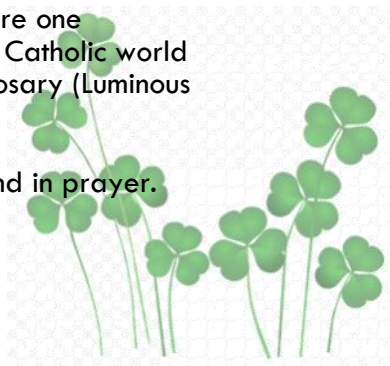
One of my favorite spiritual writers and podcasters, Heather King, made a connection today between our time of increasing isolation (which may last 40 days) and the season of Lent. During Lent we are called to fast, pray and give alms. For sure, we are fasting from our normal activities. With prayer this can lead us to hunger more for God. As for almsgiving our parish is assisting folks who are hungry at this time through several means. One interesting way is through mhktogether.com

We three priests are with all of you in prayer and have celebrated Mass together three times to date. That has been a blessing. We will post the Masses on our website and Facebook each day by 11:00.

I wish to remind you that there is a prayer form in the Scriptures called "lament." This prayer begins by expressing – almost yelling – at God one's frustrations and wondering where God is at this time. One third of the Psalms are called "lament psalms" (see Psalm 22 as an example). I like remembering this as it tells me it is okay to be frustrated, angry, lonely, scared... as long as I don't remain there for too long. If you pray the complete psalm the prayer always ends by placing one's trust in God again.

Finally, this virus has reminded us that we are one world. Our Holy Father is encouraging the Catholic world to unite in prayer, especially to pray the Rosary (Luminous mysteries) each day at 3:00 pm CST.

Let us continue to hold each other in love and in prayer.
Pastor
Fr. Kerry Ninemire



+Mass Schedule and Intentions: Our world has changed so much in the last week. One thing that has remained consistent it's the celebration of the Mass! We will honor all the Mass intentions that have been requested; however, they may not be said on the original scheduled date. We hope you will all understand and continue to pray for our priests at this time. The Mass intentions for March 22-27 are as follows:

March 22 - +Rose Morin
March 23 - +Mark Irvine
March 24 - +Jacob Weinman
March 25 - +Keith Lavis
March 26 - +Gerald Rebel
March 27 - +Mary Lou Wilson

+Daily and Weekend Mass Viewing:

We are excited to announce that you are now able to view daily Mass at Seven Dolours online. There are two options available.

1. Visit the Seven Dolours website main page and scroll down to the "Daily Mass" headline. Click "read more" and then click on the video that comes up.
2. If you have a Facebook account, visit the Seven Dolours page and watch it there.

Daily Mass will be available on both sites by 11:30 am every weekday and by 5 pm on Saturdays.

Parish Priests

Pastor, Fr. Kerry Ninemire
Retired In Residence, Fr. Merlin Kieffer
Hispanic Ministry/Retired In Residence, Fr. Norbert Dlabal

For sacraments of baptism, matrimony or anointing of the sick, please contact the parish office.

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