

# ST. ANN'S PARISH

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MARCH 22, 2020

*While it's early into our shut down over the Covid-19 virus, it seems like a very long time. As I celebrate daily Mass I miss the many faces I've grown use to. While the public celebration of the Eucharist has been temporarily restricted, I want you to know that the Eucharist remains at the heart of our ministry here at St. Ann's. As I celebrate the Eucharist each day, I offer special prayers for our parish, especially those who are elderly and may be alone.*

*I encourage all of us to pay close attention to the restrictions that have been put into place to slow the spread of this virus. It truly is the work of the community to help heal our broken society.*

*I also encourage everyone to participate in the special Novena (found on pg. 4) to end the pandemic, and to use this time to slow down and review and renew our lives in Christ. You all are in my prayers.*

*Peace,  
Fr. Brian*

# BELIEVE



"Do you believe in  
the Son of Man?"

JOHN 9:35B

**The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

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# DAILY TELEVISED MASS

TUNE IN  
[YOUTUBE.COM/SYRDIO](https://www.youtube.com/SYRDIO)



Annual  
**HOPE**  
Appeal

All public gatherings in the Diocese of Syracuse for Mass, prayer, Faith Formation, and certain parish activities are suspended effective immediately, Bishop Douglas J. Lucia announced Monday.

“This decision is not an easy one,” the bishop wrote in a letter to clergy. A [letter from Bishop Lucia to the faithful](#) was also posted on the diocesan website, and he later recorded a video message as well. (Watch below.) “Never did I think or ever imagine I would have to ask people not to gather for the Holy Eucharist. Nonetheless, I recognize my own obligation to ensure the health of the faithful, including our clergy, both spiritually and physically.”

While public Masses are suspended, priests are allowed and encouraged to offer Mass in private. Bishop Lucia will livestream his private celebration of daily Mass at 12 p.m. each day on the [diocesan YouTube channel](#); plans are being developed to livestream the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration, and a Lenten retreat.

*Each week, local television stations in each region of the diocese air a pre-recorded Mass produced by Syracuse Catholic Television. [Check your local listings here.](#) Those same Masses are available online any time on [Syracuse Catholic Television’s YouTube channel](#). We also have [a list](#) of parishes offering livestreamed or pre-recorded Masses.*

The bishop said it was his “hope and prayer” to lift the suspension in time for Holy Week and Easter, “but that will have to be a decision for a later date.” The Syracuse Diocese joins at least 20 U.S. dioceses, including New York, Boston, and Chicago, that had by midday Monday [suspended](#) public Masses in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

Priests are asked, as health and age permit, to “remain available for sacramental emergencies and pastoral appointments while maintaining the necessary public health precautions,” the bishop wrote.

Churches may stay open for private prayer at the pastor’s discretion. Public devotions are to be suspended. Regular or perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament are to be moved to a larger space to ensure at least 6 feet of social distance. “If a church is open, pastors should ensure that there is a thorough daily cleaning of all surfaces and that social distancing is maintained,” the letter said.

Weddings, funerals, and baptisms may proceed, but “attendance should be limited to immediate family” and social distancing maintained, the bishop directed.

The Sacrament of Penance (Confession) should continue to be offered, with appropriate modifications, including moving from a confessional to a larger room where 6 feet of social distance may be maintained between the priest and the penitent and using a screen to block airflow.

In providing pastoral care to the sick, priests are to follow all protocols recommended by health professionals. If a priest is asked to anoint an individual with coronavirus, canon law permits the use of “an instrument,” such as a cotton swab, and the instrument is to be “disposed of in a reverent manner.”

Bishop Lucia noted that canceling public Masses will likely affect parish finances and operations. Parishioners may mail their offerings or contribute through online giving where available. Bishop Lucia has also postponed the start of this year’s HOPE Appeal campaign; Commitment Weekend in parishes was scheduled for May 2 and 3.

Parish offices may remain open with essential staff at the pastor’s discretion, with regular thorough cleanings and appropriate social distancing. The bishop also recommended a deep cleaning of the entire parish.



**IN LIGHT OF ALL THE PRECAUTIONS IN PLACE, WHAT CAN BE DONE?**

The mission of the Church continues! Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, should also continue and even increase: (1) pray for those who are ill, their loved ones, those who care for them, and all who are working tirelessly to respond to the coronavirus, (2) offer up whatever you may have to go without, (3) do what you can to reach out to those who are in need and stay connected to them.

**PUBLIC GATHERINGS FOR MASS ARE SUSPENDED:****HOW CAN I STILL PARTICIPATE IN THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS?**

Daily Mass will be live streamed at 12 Noon each day from the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on [www.youtube.com/syrdio](http://www.youtube.com/syrdio). Sunday Mass airs each week; times located at syrdio.org. Make a Spiritual Communion by praying: *My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

**CAN CHURCHES REMAIN OPEN?**

Yes, for the private prayer and devotions of the faithful. A frequent thorough cleaning of the spaces used is to take place. *St. Ann's will be open from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm for those who wish to come in to pray.*

**WHAT ABOUT WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS?**

They are permitted but only in the presence of the ministers of the liturgy and immediate family/close friends, not to exceed the number of people recommended by the CDC.

**WHAT ABOUT MASS OFFERINGS?**

The faithful are encouraged – as they are able – to continue supporting their parishes financially by dropping off or mailing their Sunday offering to the parish office, via online giving (if available), by saving their contributions until the celebration of public Masses resumes.

**WHAT ABOUT HOLY WEEK AND EASTER?**

To be determined. Stay tuned.

**THE LINK TO WATCH MASS ONLINE:**

**[www.youtube.com/srydio](http://www.youtube.com/srydio)**

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### MON., MAR. 23; ST. TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO, BISHOP

7:00 am Communion Service

9:00 am Communion Service

### TUESDAY, MAR. 24; LENTEN WEEKDAY;

7:00 am Communion Service

9:00 am Maria Lee by The Hahn Family

### WEDNESDAY, MAR. 25; THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

7:00 am People of the Parish

9:00 am Maryanne Hines by Hulslander Family

### THURSDAY, MAR. 26; LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00 am The People of the Parish

9:00 am Margaret Monnet by Marilyn Nortz & family

### FRIDAY, MAR. 27; LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00am Communion Service

9:00am 40 Days for Life by The Hahn Family

### SATURDAY, MAR. 28, VIGIL MASS

4:30 pm Richard H. Knapp by Ann Branigan

### SUNDAY, MAR. 29; 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 Cooper Snyder by Mary Taylor

10:15 Nancee Modres by Kathee Connors

12:00 Shirley Hobbs by Family

All Masses have been cancelled until further notice due to the COVID - 19 Virus.



Please know that Fr. Brian will be celebrating Mass each day privately in his home, where he will remember the prayer intentions listed above and for all those in our prayer list.

### NOVENA PRAYER FOR AN END TO THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary, full of grace, Patroness of this nation and Mother of the Church, in this time of illness and worldwide need we seek your intercession for the human family before your Son's throne of grace and mercy.

We ask for strength in adversity, health in weakness,  
And comfort in sorrow.

Help us, O Blessed Mother, to be filled with confidence and trust in the tender compassion of our God.

Let us not be afraid, like our own Saint Marianne Cope, who entrusted her life and ministry among the outcasts of society into the care of our Divine Physician.

Continue to watch over all who are sick as well as those who care for them and give wisdom to all who are seeking a cure. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

# ST. ANN*iversary*

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF  
A FAMILY IN FAITH

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in  
the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there and  
unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

From The Book of Indulgences



### Let's Stay Connected

We want to keep in touch with our  
parish families!

If you would like to receive our  
weekly newsletter please be sure we  
have your current email address by  
sending your request to:

**[parishoffice@saintannschurch.com](mailto:parishoffice@saintannschurch.com)**



### FAYETTEVILLE MANLIUS FOOD PANTRY

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our food thru the CNY Food Bank of CNY

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demand for food during this time.

Send donations to:

FM Food Pantry

PO Box 626,

Manlius, NY 13104

Or online at [www.fmfoodpantry.org](http://www.fmfoodpantry.org)

Client Hours:

Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10-2 and 5:30-7