



CLALLAM CATHOLIC

QUEEN OF ANGELS • ST. JOSEPH

JOINT REGIONAL PARISHES OF CLALLAM COUNTY
ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SEATTLE

March 24, 2020

Dear QA and SJ parishioners,

Christ's peace!

You are likely aware that last night Governor Inslee put more stringent rules in place to safeguard the general public from the spread of Coronavirus. Washingtonians have now been ordered to stay home except for essential trips out; and all non-essential businesses are to close their doors effective Wednesday evening. This order is in effect until further notice.

The Archdiocese of Seattle has provided the parishes with directives regarding the new government mandate. Among others:

- All parish offices are to be closed effective immediately.
- Essential business only – conducted by delegated staff.
- Churches may remain open at the discretion of the pastor – certain security and infection control requirements must be met to stay open.

Per discussion with Fr. Robb late this afternoon, here is the plan for Queen of Angels and St. Joseph Parishes:

- The parish offices are closed until further notice.
- Staff will work from home – only on campus for periodic essential business.
- Phone calls – we will check regularly for messages, so it's fine to call.
- Email – do contact me if you have questions or concerns.
- The churches will be closed while the offices are closed.
- Cyndi and I are still doing a weekly bulletin – I will email it for the weekend.
- Continue to check your email at least daily, and visit the website too.

So the bottom line is that the parish campuses are fully closed now, effective immediately. We are available by phone if you leave a message; please be patient with our response time which may not be immediate. We are available by email as well, but again, there may be delays. I will check my email regularly, so hopefully that will catch any type of emergent issues. My email: cathyw@olypen.com Parish email: qasj@olypen.com.

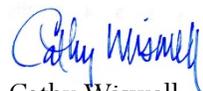
Also, please read the letter from the Archbishop, posted in the Updates section of the website. Please keep in mind that he is speaking in general about some aspects of the situation; not all parishes are able to do things the same way, so pastors must do what is right for their particular parishes because we don't all have the same resources.

Please, as I've said before, forward this email to parishioners on your contact list, and call those you know who do not do email; we need to share the information with as many parishioners as possible. Thank you!

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Know, as always, that Fr. Robb, Fr. Leonardo, the staff and I are all praying for you. This is a challenging time in Church history, unprecedented in many ways. But this too shall pass.

God bless ,



Cathy Wiswell

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"To the servant of God . . . every place is the right place, and every time is the right time." ~ St. Catherine of Siena

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