April 2, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

Greetings and prayerful wishes from Father Joseph David.

I hope you are all well by the grace of God. We know that the COVID-19 virus has brought fear and concern. Each day brings significant changes. We are afraid of becoming ill and avoid others because we do not wish to share any potential illness.
Our faith community and our world are in my prayers. It has truly been an unprecedented time for all of us. In this present context I write to you today.

It is important for us always to remember and understand that God is good and unchanging. This unprecedented time is a temporary one and it will soon come to an end.

Let us stay together, united in prayer and faith! Come close to God and trust in God's providence during this critical time in our lives.

I just wanted to assure you that you are all remembered in my daily prayers and I continue to offer daily Mass for the good health and well-being of our parishioners and the world.

I pray that you continue to stay home and be safe and well, and that this crisis will soon come to an end, allowing us to be together again for Mass and Adoration of our Lord.

Please check the church's website at: www.popaltus.org for updated bulletins, and opportunities for live-streaming Masses and other liturgies and prayers.

Thank you for your generous support of our parish by mailing your offerings and giving through Faith Direct.

Do not worry. Be safe and have faith in God.

Yours in Christ,

Father David

ALL MASSES, LITURGIES, GATHERINGS, & EVENTS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

YOU MAY GO TO OUR CHURCH WEBSITE FOR UPDATED INFORMATION AT:
WWW.PRINCEOFPEACEALTUS.ORG
OR:
ARCHOKC.ORG/HEALTH
OR
WWW. ARCHOKC.ORG/LIVE
OR WATCH EWTN
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO PARTICIPATE IN LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES & LITURGIES.

PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 580-482-3363 IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY OR QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS. IF NECESSARY, PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE AND WE WILL CALL YOU BACK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

PLEASE MAIL IN YOUR OFFERINGS TO:
P.O. BOX 608
FREDERICK , OK 73542
OR
PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING A ONE TIME OFFERING THROUGH FAITH DIRECT DURING THIS DIFFUCULT TIME. EVEN THOUGH WE ARE NOT HAVING MASSES, THE CHURCH'S FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS CONTINUE. IF YOU NEED HELP USING FAITH DIRECT, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE 580-482-3363 AND WE CAN HELP YOU.

DURING THIS TIME WHEN OUR MASSES ARE SUSPENDED, FATHER IS STILL REMEMBERING ALL YOUR MASS INTENTIONS IN HIS PERSONAL MASSES.

Lord God, give us the courage to hear your passion as though for the first time. Grant that we might for this moment stand in the darkness that enveloped the world before you redeemed it, that we might more deeply experience the dawning of our new life in the days to come.

How Do I Make a Spiritual Communion?

Below are recommendations for how to make a 'spiritual communion' when unable to participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. The recommendations can be adapted based upon personal and family needs.

- Gather with others in your household and begin a time of prayer with the sign of the cross.
- Take time to read and reflect upon the readings from Sunday Mass. You can find the readings at usccb.org and a Sunday Gospel reflection on our YouTube channel. Additionally, a weekly televised Sunday Mass is available to watch at adw.org/tvmass.
- Share prayer intentions quietly or aloud.
- Pray the Lord's Prayer.
- Pray one of the following prayers of spiritual communion (see below).
- Close with the sign of the cross.