

Information from the Diocese of Providence during the COVID-19 Crisis

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Covid-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

*For all who have contracted coronavirus,
We pray for care and healing.*

*For those who are particularly vulnerable,
We pray for safety and protection.*

*For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.*

*For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety,
We pray for policies that recognize their plight.*

*For those who do not have adequate health insurance,
We pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.*

*For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration status,
We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.*

*For our brothers and sisters around the world,
We pray for shared solidarity.*

*For public officials and decisionmakers,
We pray for wisdom and guidance.*

Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.

Grant peace.

Grant comfort.

Grant healing.

Be with us, Lord.

Amen.

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Bishop Tobin's Easter Mass Message:
'In Good Times and in Bad, We are People of Hope'

PROVIDENCE — While Bishop Thomas J. Tobin looked out upon rows of empty pews clear to the back of the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul as he celebrated Mass on Easter Sunday morning, he directed his message of inspiration to the tens of thousands of faithful participating from the safety of their homes during this novel coronavirus pandemic. [Read more.](#)

Easter Tribute to Health Care Workers

Thank you so much!

From Bishop Tobin

A blessed Easter!

Coping with the Pandemic

from Michael Hansen, Ph.D., Director of Human Formation, Diocese of Providence

The outbreak of the coronavirus (COVID-19) has been a stressful reality for all of us. It is an unprecedented situation that has caused significant upheaval and disruption to nearly every aspect of our lives. We have had to generally remain at home, maintain social distancing, attend to recommended hygiene practices, and adjust to not having our normal social contacts and established routines. We are not able to be with family members and friends. We cannot attend Mass and be with our priests and our parish communities at this time. . . [Read more.](#)

Church Bells continue to Ring in Solidarity on Sunday Mornings

As a sign of faith, unity, and hope in these uncertain times, Bishop Thomas J. Tobin has asked all Catholic churches across the diocese to ring their bells for five minutes every Sunday morning at 9:00am until the novel coronavirus pandemic is over.

About Masses - *updated daily*

Information for the faithful and for parishes

For the Faithful

Regular Masses

During the COVID-19 Crisis, regular Masses continue to be posted on the diocesan website page dedicated to parish live-streamed/pre-recorded Masses. [Find it here.](#)

Special Devotions

As in the past, please consult your parish's bulletin, website, and social media pages for the specifics relative to special devotions, the Rosary, and more. [Find parish contact and website information here.](#)

For Parishes

Mass FAQ's

To update a parish's regular COVID-19 Mass schedule ([listed here](#)), please email webmaster@dioceseofprovidence.org

Information for Live-Streaming/Pre-Recording Masses

[Follow this link](#) and scroll to the very end of the web page for guides and tips to assist with live-streaming, pre-recording and sharing Masses with the faithful during the COVID-19 Crisis.

Supporting your parish

Even though public Masses have been suspended in the Diocese of Providence until further notice, please know you may still support your parish via your parish's secure online giving opportunities (where available) as well as mailing your weekly budget directly to your parish. [Find our Parish Directory here.](#)

Thank you in advance for your prayers and support of the parishes and the faithful in the Diocese of Providence.

Be assured you are all in our prayers during this challenging time.

Catholic Charities: helping needy RI'ers right now

Do you need help?

Would you like to help?

As you can imagine, amid this crisis, the needs of our fellow Rhode Islanders are greater than ever.

GET HELP

Need help? [Contact us here](#).

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If you are financially able, please consider making a donation online by visiting givecentral.org/2020CCA or by texting the word "Appeal" to 401.496.9889. Your gift will immediately make a positive impact in the lives of your neighbors in need.

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Thank you & God Bless!
