

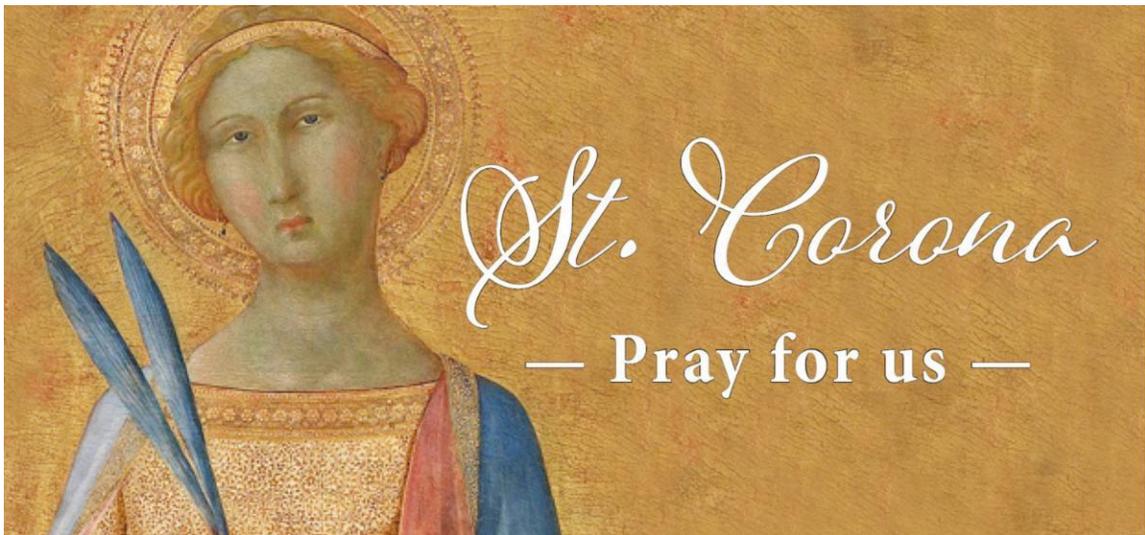


Roman Catholic Diocese of

*Providence*

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

May 1, 2020



## Corona: The Saint That Went Viral

At the beginning of March, it would have been quite a challenge to find a Catholic who had ever heard of St. Corona, to say nothing of finding one who had prayed to her. Since the onset of the global COVID-19 pandemic, however, the second century martyr has attained a newfound prominence online...

[Read more](#)

## Bishop Tobin renews the consecration of the Diocese of Providence to the care of our Blessed Mother

*Friday, May 1, 2020*



In the video above, Bishop Thomas J. Tobin, along with all the Bishops of the United States and Canada, formally renewed the Consecration of our Nation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. The Diocese of Providence, RI, under the protection of the Blessed Mother of Divine Providence, has now formally renewed its consecration.

Through a collective dedication or entrustment of a nation to Mary, an act of consecration is meant to be a reminder to the faithful of the Blessed Mother's witness to the Gospel and to ask for her effective intercession before her Son on behalf of those in need.

Although the ceremony was not open to the public, Bishop Tobin said, "I will have in my mind and heart all the intentions, needs and prayers of the members of the Church in the Diocese of Providence."

*Video produced by the diocesan Office of Divine Worship.*

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## Recognition of our 2020 Jubilarians



The video above is courtesy of the Office of Post-Ordination Formation, Diocese of Providence, RI, in recognition of our 2020 Jubilarians - those priests celebrating a milestone anniversary of priesthood.

Traditionally, this annual recognition is held at a gathered celebration, which unfortunately was canceled due to the pandemic

Masses were offered on both Sunday, April 26 (for all the priests of the Diocese) and Monday, April 27 (for all priests celebrating a jubilee anniversary this year). This video is a recognition of all priests in the Diocese of Providence, RI celebrating a jubilee anniversary.

*Let us continue to pray for one another and for an end to the pandemic.*

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## Bishop Tobin interview on EWTN Radio



Interviewed on EWTN's Ave Maria radio morning program, "Catholic Connection," Bishop Thomas J. Tobin spoke to his call for evangelization and renewal after coronavirus from his Pastoral Message, *"The State of the Church in the Diocese of Providence in the Age of Coronavirus."*

[Click here to listen](#) - Bishop Tobin's interview begins at minute 25:41

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## Live-streamed and pre-recorded Masses

*Updated daily*

### **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 .](#)

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## 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.*

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## 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.



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**#GivingTuesdayNow is 4 days away!**

By joining the [#GivingTuesdayNow](#) movement on May 5th, you're proving that in times of uncertainty, generosity can bring the whole world together. So far, Catholic Charities has responded to over 7,000 calls, and thanks to donors like you, more people will be able to count on our help.

To learn more about [#GivingTuesdayNow](#), please visit <https://now.givingtuesday.org/>

To donate please visit [givecentral.org/2020](https://givecentral.org/2020)

Now more than ever,  
we are called upon  
to make a difference.

#givingtuesdaynow | May 5, 2020

**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](#) .

#### **GIVE HELP**

If you are financially able, please consider making a donation online by visiting [givecentral.org/2020CCA](http://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.



#### **LEARN MORE**

[Click here](#) to see the good work of your Catholic Charities donation in action.

*Thank you & God Bless!*

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## Domestic Violence Information & Resources during the COVID-19 Crisis



The Diocese of Providence remains deeply concerned about the increase in domestic violence calls as a result of the coronavirus crisis. In the last year, the diocese has started its own domestic violence ministry, "Pathway to Peace," and has provided support to many seeking our help.

During these unprecedented times, we are urging **anyone who finds themselves in the pathway of domestic violence danger to call the 24/7 confidential statewide helpline at 1-800-494-8100.**

For more information and resources, please visit:  
[http://www.ricadv.org/en/covid-19-response/covid-19-](http://www.ricadv.org/en/covid-19-response/covid-19-safety-planning)

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## Read our Diocesan newspaper online during the COVID-19 Crisis



Find the RI Catholic online

at [www.thericatholic.com](http://www.thericatholic.com) , [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Share *your* stories and photos with the RI Catholic through email (send to: [editor@thericatholic.com](mailto:editor@thericatholic.com) ) and on RI Catholic social media.

What's in the news this week? [Click here to read now!](#)

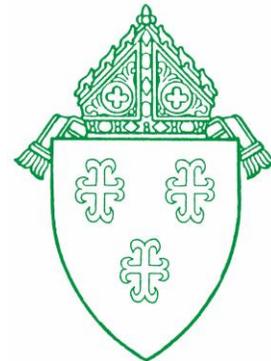
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## Stay in touch

*Get help, follow the Diocese on social media, and more*

Need Assistance?

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- [Chancery Contact List - limited employees working remotely during the COVID-19 Crisis](#)

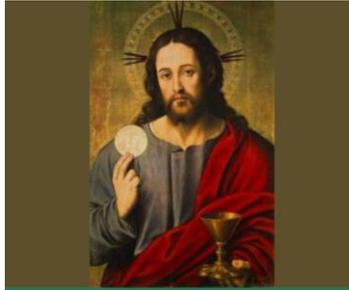


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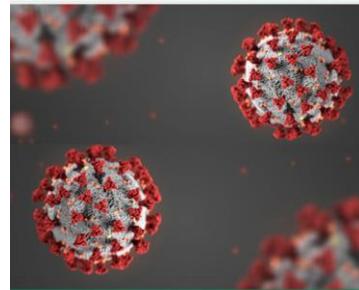
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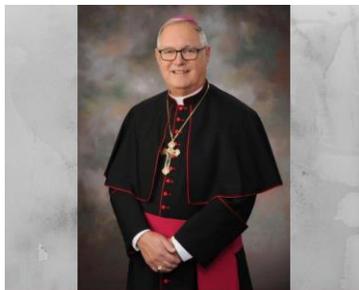
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