

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

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I am the living bread that
came down from heaven,
says the Lord; whoever eats
this bread will live forever.
JN 6:51



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Called to Serve God's People

Father Hiep Van Nguyen ordained by Bishop Thomas J. Tobin on June 6, 2020 in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul



PROVIDENCE — For the diocese, it was a local ordination with an international audience.

On Saturday, Bishop Thomas J. Tobin ordained to the priesthood Rev. Mr. Hiep Van Nguyen, a native of Vietnam. Many of his family members gathered there to watch the live stream of the ordination at the parish of his brother, who is also a priest.

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Ministering on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic

Priests come face to face with coronavirus as they prepare the way forward for the sick and dying

PROVIDENCE — Arriving in the early evening at Fatima Hospital, Father Richard Narciso — his anxiety level already raised due to the circumstances — listened intently as Gloria, the nurse assigned to guide him, detailed the procedures he would need to follow in order to mitigate his risk of falling prey to COVID-19, the same illness afflicting the patient he was here to anoint.
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From Bishop Tobin on Twitter

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Catholic Communications helping community stay spiritually connected through pandemic

PROVIDENCE — When the coronavirus pandemic caused local churches to close for public worship for nearly two months, ***there was an immediate need to keep the faithful of the Diocese of Providence spiritually connected while socially distant.***

The diocesan Office of Communications responded to the limitations the coronavirus placed on the community by immediately collecting and sharing an up-to-date schedule of televised and live-streamed Masses in the diocese and beyond.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Rhode Island Catholic resumes print edition

after serving readers online during Coronavirus pandemic

Rhode Island Catholic has returned to print this week after having moved all of our publishing to our website as the pandemic began to unfold. Viewer traffic to our site has tripled during this time, so thank you for following us online.

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Catholic Charities: helping needy RI'ers right now

Do you need help? Would you like to help?

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 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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"Pedido Anual Católico 2020 "*

Live-streamed and pre-recorded Masses

*****Please consult parish websites, bulletins, and social media often for the most up-to-date Mass times as we slowly move to resume public worship. Be reminded that some parishes may continue with live-streaming liturgies, Mass times may change, and each parish will have guidelines in place for parishioners.*****

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 & Public Worship

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.](#)

Stay in touch

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

- Need Assistance? - [Contact our offices of Catholic Charities & Social Ministry](#)
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