

ST. BERNARD AND ST. STANISLAUS KOSTKA PARISH



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Dear Parishioners here at St. Bernard and St. Stanislaus Kostka,

For information on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the Archdiocese of Newark's latest directives and response, please visit: <https://www.rcan.org/COVID19>

I would love to be visiting with you personally in the parish offices or in the Church where we most often see each other or even out and about on the streets or in a store somewhere but that isn't possible these days. Severe restrictions are being placed on us regarding our movement and gathering ability and they change daily. These restrictions affect our ability to attend Church as a community of worshipers. And so, we view from afar the liturgy and devotions taking place in our Church. Through the gift of modern-technology we join together on the internet!

In these difficult times it is still necessary for us to continue to support our parish, to whatever extent we are able, to ensure our stability as a parish. This is simply done by continuing to financially support the parish even though you are not physically present. **I would remind you that this can be accomplished for those who would like to continue to give through envelopes or cash during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Please drop off your gift at the Parish office or the front door of the Rectory, not the side door, in the secure mail slots, or mail your gift, or use the online giving format, called "Parish Giving" accessed on our website www.bestchurch.net**

I also want to inform you of an Archdiocesan-wide initiative that Cardinal Tobin has launched to support our parish community, outreach to those in need, and parishes in response to the effects of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on everyday life. The Archdiocese is partnering with the team at GoFundMe, a leading online giving organization, to provide one online platform for the faithful to support outreach to those most in need as well as cover the critical needs of their own and other parish communities during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. If you choose to use GoFundMe, follow the link below.

Thank you for generosity to our parish and to those parish communities unable to meet their critical needs alone.

For a message from Cardinal Joseph W. Tobin, C.Ss.R., the *Parishes in Need* fund, and more on how this initiative will support the critical needs of our parish communities, please visit: <https://www.rcan.org/parishsupport>

Fr. Frank