## PARISH VIDEO 2

Hello everyone. I miss all of you. I have a new appreciation for our St. Edith Parish Family. I am used to being around you every day, and sitting by myself at home is pretty lonely. I know we are all feeling this sense of isolation, but it is very important that we are as safe as possible.

It is really important that we do everything we can to comply with the guidelines of the CDC, our president, our governor and the Archdiocese of Detroit. The next two weeks are going to be crucial in controlling the spread of the coronavirus. You should try your best to avoid gatherings of more than 10 people. If you are 65 years of age or older, you are part of a vulnerable population. If you have a chronic illness, you are part of a vulnerable population. If you are part of a vulnerable population you should not be going to the grocery store and being around those crowds, but you should have enough food to last a couple of weeks.

Now is the time that we should join together and help one another. If you are not part of a vulnerable population, think of your friends, relatives and neighbors who are and contact them to see if you can grocery shop for them. You can get a grocery list over the phone and you can just leave the groceries on the porch. If you are part of a vulnerable population and need food, call the parish office at (734) 464-1222 and we will find someone to do your grocery shopping or we will bring you some food from our food pantry and leave it on your porch. People are still bringing in food for our Easter Outreach, so we have lots of food. If you are not part of a vulnerable population and are willing to deliver food or grocery shop for someone who is, please call the parish office and leave your name and phone number.

I want to commend our St. Edith School for all the work they have been doing to set up on line teaching for our students. Our children are probably getting pretty bored at home, so we want to continue their learning during this time. Two of our school parents, Dominick Albano and Jacob Donajkowski have been instrumental in setting this up and training our teachers. I want to thank the school staff and our school parents for all of their work.

Again, if you need help, call the Parish Office at (734) 464-1222

I want to share a prayer with you that was sent to me by a member of our Parish Family. It is a prayer by Pope Francis.

## PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN MARY FOR THE PROTECTION FROM CORONAVIRUS

O Mary,

you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee,

joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,

to comfort ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

Amen