

THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION  
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St Patrick

My dear People:

This is a letter I never in my life thought I would be obliged to write. The Bishop of New York has forbidden all public services in all churches of the Diocese as from yesterday. Cardinal Dolan did the same on Saturday last.

As a result, it will not be possible for you to receive the Sacraments in this church on Sunday or indeed any other day for at least two months, though he did say they would review the situation after Easter. I need not explain the reasons for these decisions.

We have taken the decision to continue to produce a High Mass on Sunday. We had hoped to have the Choir present, but Governor Cuomo's decree that non-essential personnel cannot be brought in to work has made this impossible. I have made it plain to the servers' guild that they need not be here if they prefer not to be, no questions asked, and many are unable to come for various reasons.

We will, however, through the miracle of television, as they used to say, be able to present these services to you (anywhere in the world) by the following means:

**Live-Streaming Mass**

If you have a Facebook account, just visit the church's Facebook page for an organ prelude 5-10 minutes before the hour, and mass on the hour:

[facebook.com/resurrectionnyc/](https://www.facebook.com/resurrectionnyc/)

If you do not have Facebook, just use Resurrection's Livestream channel,

[vimeo.com/resurrectionnyc](https://www.vimeo.com/resurrectionnyc)

## **Documents to Pray / Follow the Mass**

Service bulletins for masses will be distributed via the email mailing list, ResurrectiOnline. Sign up here:

<https://resurrectionnyc.us16.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=638a4300db40223ef743deb4f&id=22e5f13c37>

Mass Booklet:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1MctkunOIQqCijJUdMMZsyoWR3xK-GPMx>

Also, I would be remiss if I did not remind you that we depend on you continuing to send in your pledges and gifts.

<https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=Ceisg-iENPRgKgy1VWAHMA4UZ5oSzZmsXeEI84hoFRuAHw-kXrBqGOA8gRqG7xB6ELAPsm&country.x=US&locale.x=US>

I hope this may be useful to you all. The update information will be sent out by email for each new High Mass, though we cannot send a printed letter each time of course. If there is an email address at which you wish to receive this information, and I do not have it, please send it to me, and I shall add it to the list.

The Holy Week Schedule of broadcast services will be released shortly.

Yours faithfully,

Father Swain