



## Holy Rosary Church

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22 November 2020 – Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

### **#WeGiveCatholic 2020**

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Holy Rosary Parish,

The year 2020 has been a challenge for us all – on many levels. Among the many things canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic was the annual Feast of the Assumption. That was a most difficult decision, but in retrospect, the right one.

While we continue to pray for an end to the pandemic, asking our Blessed Mother for her intercession and maternal protection, we also acknowledge the need to move forward as best we can with the work of the Church – spreading the Gospel and maintaining our ability as a parish to operate and be available to celebrate the sacraments.

We are grateful for those who have returned to worship in person, watched mass via livestream, and continue to support Holy Rosary with offertory contributions. However, the financial loss from cancelling the Feast does have its impact. As a result, our participation in the annual #WeGiveCatholic day on Giving Tuesday, December 1, 2020 will focus on raising funds in lieu of the Feast.

We are most grateful and excited that we have received a challenge-matching gift this year! An anonymous donor will match donations given to Holy Rosary through #WeGiveCatholic of up to \$50,000! That is outstanding and a great start to achieve our \$100,000 goal! However, we need your help, too. Please consider making a gift to the parish on Giving Tuesday, December 1. Information on how to contribute online or directly to the parish is included in the attached flyer.

We will also be giving away special prizes during the day and for various giving levels to add some fun! We hope you will participate by making a donation and by asking others to do so as well. We also can win prizes at the diocesan level for having the largest number of unique donations and for random drawings throughout the day. God bless you and let's make this a special day for Holy Rosary.

*Fr. Joe Previte*

**#weGiveCatholic – Holy Rosary Gives Thanks!**

## Thanksgiving 2020

Dear Holy Rosary Parishioners,

Please know of our prayers for our entire parish family, the many students who worship with us, those who are at Holy Rosary because a loved one is being cared for in a nearby hospital and as well the many visitors who come to Holy Rosary throughout the year. The past eight months have been challenging and we will continue to take it one day at a time as this liturgical year ends and a new liturgical year begins with the First Sunday of Advent on November 29th.

We extend wishes for a safe and blessed Thanksgiving day. Obviously our observance of this national holiday will look different this year due to the pandemic, but we hope that you can take some time to reflect upon the true meaning of the holiday. We give thanks to God for our many and abundant blessings, and for the strength and patience to get through difficult times.

Bishop Edward Malesic asks us to remind our parishioners that the dispensation from attending Mass in-person continues, and if you are at high risk for the virus, you are encouraged to stay home. Also, if you live with, care for, or routinely come into contact with high risk/vulnerable individuals, we encourage you to stay home for the protection of those in your care. We invite you to participate weekly in live-streamed Mass via our website [www.holy-rosary.org](http://www.holy-rosary.org) — or view Mass at the downtown cathedral on television at a new time and channel: Sundays at 10:00 a.m. on Channel 43, WUAB, the CW.

If there is any way we can support you or your family, please do not hesitate to reach out to a member of the parish staff. We wish you a safe and *Happy Thanksgiving*.

Peace and prayers,  
Holy Rosary Parish Staff

