



## ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI

*Office of the Archbishop*

My dear friends in Christ,

This is a certainly unique moment for us—in our world and in our church. The coronavirus pandemic has shaken our world – and our lives. Much like in the aftermath of 9/11, we feel like the world has changed but we don't know yet what the “new normal” will be. During this time of uncertainty and anxiety, be assured of my prayers for you and your loved ones. This crisis challenges us to act responsibly in social isolation, but remember that we are never alone, even in the most difficult of times. As a people of faith, we trust in the power of prayer and in the providence of our loving God; as a people of hope, we know that God will never abandon us; as a people of charity, despite our own fears and anxieties, we must stand in solidarity with all our brothers and sisters who are infected or affected by this pandemic.

During this time, when we are unable to come together for Mass, we need- now more than ever- the connectivity with the Archdiocese and our parishes is essential. Despite the physical separation of our community with the Church, many pastoral services are currently being performed virtually. I invite you to visit our website, [www.miamiarch.org](http://www.miamiarch.org), for up-to-date information, live-streaming of liturgies, and other resources.

On behalf of your pastors, I am personally asking that you please continue your weekly offertory support, whether sending your envelopes via mail, making an online donation through the parish website or through this [Universal Online Offertory Page](#). It is critically important that our parishes receive the offertory support they need to remain operational and sustainable despite the suspension of weekly Masses. I understand that many of you may not be able to contribute given the economic impact this pandemic is having on your personal finances; however, I hope that those who are able to continue to support their parishes will do so. Your online support will make a critical difference to the operations of your parishes during this crisis.

I am sensitive to the financial hardship suffered by many in recent days. Many turn to the Church for help, and if we come together, we can try to assist them in their time of need. As such, we have created a [Coronavirus Emergency Fund](#). If you are able make a donation to this emergency fund, please do so now. We must unite to help support our brothers and sisters who have been negatively impacted by this ongoing pandemic. Let us look to the future with hope.

Please visit the websites above to support parish offertory, the Coronavirus Emergency Fund or both as your means allow. Your generosity is needed now more than ever. Any gift can make a huge difference. Please continue to pray for each other, as I continue to pray for you.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Thomas G. Wenski  
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