Dear Parishioners:

Tomorrow is Palm Sunday. The Church begins Holy Week. Shortly, people worldwide will celebrate Easter, the Resurrection of our brother Jesus Christ. Throughout the season of Lent, people have been journeying through reconciliation and renewal, covenant and commitment, all in the midst of the ongoing, overwhelming, and dire experience of the coronavirus pandemic: everyday more cases, everyday more deaths.

In Holy Week, people recall the life, the passion, and the death of Jesus Christ. At Easter they will recall His rising from the dead. It was from Jerusalem that the good news of Jesus’ Resurrection went out to all the world. The God who became one of us on earth, suffered, died, and then rose from that death to a new life so that we can share in the divinity of the Risen Christ, the living and loving presence of God in our world.

The parishioners of our St. Rita parish continue to inspire with the challenging theme: “We Are the Church”. We are most grateful for all who have so generously given of their time, talent, and treasure to sustain and enhance the many outreach ministries of our parish community.

Sadly, our Church building must remain closed. You, all of our parishioners and friends, are encouraged to follow the traditional Holy Week services from the Vatican, and locally, on social media, including: https://fatherharry.org/ and https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/

Financially, we need your help. I invite you to mail in or to drop off (in the rectory mail box) your weekly contributions for the month of March, and your special Easter contribution. This Easter when you consider your special financial gift to the parish, we ask you to please be as generous as possible.

With the grace of our loving and caring God, may you and those you love experience a blessed Easter of good health and much hope.

Peace,

Father Ken