

Homily: Sunday, 20 December 2020

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Sat, Dec 19, 2020 at 9:42 AM

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

In seven more days, it will be Christmas. Our memories are of Christmases past. But now expectations are dramatically shattered in our State of California. As of today, the coronavirus is spreading rapidly. Open ICU beds have fallen to 3%; coronavirus cases are at 1,751,091; deaths have reached 22,176. There is now a 10-day quarantine on travelers arriving from outside the region. A new stay-at-home lockdown is now ordered. The number of vaccines is 40% less than promised.

Coronavirus has now become the leading cause of death in the U.S.

Thus, for the protection of our parishioners, and in conjunction **with the direction from Marin Health and Human Services, we have no choice but to continue to suspend the celebration of Mass including, sadly, Christmas Day itself.**

When circumstances change favorably, you will be notified immediately.

At home with your immediate family, I sincerely wish you a reflective and prayerful celebration of Christmas.

Peace,
Fr. Ken

"The pandemic has taught us how to pray. Closing churches forced us to find God in places that are more difficult and complicated than the quiet of a church: to discover God in the loneliness of the poor, the desperation of the homeless, the fears of the vulnerable and the hungry".