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Dear Parishioners!

As a result of the coronavirus outbreak, Catholic dioceses throughout Scotland have now suspended public Masses. This situation is, more than likely, going to last for a few months.

I know this is heartbreaking. The Catechism affirms that "the Sunday celebration of the Lord's Day and his Eucharist is at the heart of the Church's life"—making this a particularly difficult day in an already difficult time.

Whether you live alone or with family, you will still be gathering with Catholics around the world to worship God, keep his day holy, and receive the grace of an act of spiritual communion (Prayer Card available in Church and on our parish Website). Holy Mass is celebrated in various Churches throughout the Diocese for the foreseeable future—not only on Sundays, but every day of the week—so please join with them each day, or as often as you can. Holy Mass is also celebrated every day at St Peter's without a congregation. And please continue to pray for all those impacted by the coronavirus.

The financial support and upkeep of the Parish is also drastically affected by the present situation. Please try and hand in your Offertory Envelopes to the Parish Office when you can, or better still, consider taking out a Direct Debit for St Peter's as the social isolation will probably impact us for the next months. The Direct Debit and the Gift Aid Forms are available in the Parish Office, in the Church and on our website. If you would prefer that we email you or post the Forms, please let the Parish Office know. Also, if you require any assistance in completing the Forms, please contact George at the Parish Office and he can speak to you by phone. Thank you for all you do and for your solidarity and generosity.

I include you all, and all your families and loved ones, every day in the Holy Mass in in my prayers. Our Lady, Health of the Sick, pray for us! St Peter, pray for us!

God bless,

Father Duncan

Parish Priest



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