

chores, however this year she is following the Health Department guidelines and the stay at home orders.

The “**Bread of Hospitality**” must be suspended during Plague. We serve the Life giving Word dwelt among us and Sacraments and Blessings today.

Parishioners with July birthdays are Mary and Michael Rench, William Coit, Father James Tochihara, Ed Pinfield, Fr. John Connely and Fr. John Falcone. Proper. The practice of signing up for snacks and letting Matushka Deborah know is suspended.

*Thanks to our dear Church Family for their generous donations during this challenging time. The Vestry have placed a collection plate at the back of the church & a button on the westernorthodox.com site for the technically savvy.*

Father James Tochihara, who last month celebrated his Third Anniversary to the Priesthood here at St. Mark’s, has written to reschedule his return to the Altar. Father is suffering from some ailment that is painful when attempting to digest anything like coffee, wine, spicy food, bland food, and really anything normally thought to be appropriate to human digestion. So, your prayers for the pious James and Khouria Judith are needed!

Prayers are asked for Bishop Basil who had a ‘stint’ put in an heart artery recently. He has turned off the telephone, the email, the smoke signals, the fund raisers, the carrier pigeons, the knock at the door, and the big drum.

During these several weeks of recovery Bishop Basil wants no, nada, stress and so has retreated behind the chancery doors, the loaded shotguns handled by the student residents, and the crocks are swimming in the moat. For the really persistent bishop groupies he has reserved the boiling oil and grenades. No ‘just needing to get a word’ will be received at the Chancery during this interval of quiet rest and restless quiet. Fr.JCC

Good news, Carol McCabe is recovering at home this week. She had another accident and broke her foot! No matter how bad things get for her, she always has a postivie attitude and never

gives up! Dana, Guy, Mark, Cathy and Debbie have been looking after her. Sean will be moving to Carol’s home in Castle Rock this Month, so by God’s help, all shall be well.

Some Mexican hand sanitizers are deadly because of Methanol. Use only Ethanol. The mob sold quantities of Methanol laced ‘vino’ to Italians and killed thousands even before the Chinese virus calculated to kill tens of thousands. For those of us who really like Italy and boast friends there, this is just so sad. Hey, no one asked my advice. -Fr. John, aka, Monsignore Gianni (Johnny). New email: [monsignore.gianni@gmail.com](mailto:monsignore.gianni@gmail.com)

Please get your bulletin notices to Matushka Deborah by 12 noon on Thursday. Her email: [matushka.deborah@gmail.com](mailto:matushka.deborah@gmail.com)

Welcome to St. Mark’s Online Church. We may *(if anyone knows how, sorry about last Sunday)* produce a Sunday Mass at 10:00 AM today:

[www.WesternOrthodox.com](http://www.WesternOrthodox.com)

Thanks to Fr. John Connely and our Archdeacon Vladimir McDonald and Deacon John Saturus Woolley and SubDeacons John and Daniel with our Readers, Acolytes, and flame throwers for faithful service.

THIS WEEK, THE MASSES OFFERED ARE:

**S**AINTS Peter & Paul tomorrow, Monday MASS at 6.00 PM. These Apostles are the Patrons of our Patriarchate and of the Orthodox throughout the world. So, please add your Christ-pleasing prayers with the Faithful in all lands. *Kyrie eleison.*

**S**ATURDAY Mass (Latin) at 9:00 o’clock this week. Confessions by appointment. We hope to continue the work of recording a tutorial for the use of the *Plainsong Psalter*. God knows, might work.

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Fr. John left his mobile phone at the auto repair shop and will fetch it when they open on Tuesday. So, email, a knock at the door, and land-lines (303-722-0707 or 303-753-6548) must do until the reconcillation of telephone and ears.

A Prayer “For Manly Virtue” borrowed: Dear Lord Jesus Christ, I pray for manly virtue, that I may fulfill my vocation: to be an anchor of strength and love for my wife and children, overcoming impulses of pride and selfishness; to guide and form my children well, first of all by my own example, finding the right balance between tender affection and firmness; to be a man of principle and charity in the work place, quick to smile and always diligent in my responsibilities; to be a man of prayer and the sacraments, a faithful follower of Your Gospel in the midst of my parish. In all these things and more, O’ Lord, may I be a good steward of the countless blessings You have bestowed on me. Therefore to Thee do we give Glory, and as well to the Father and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and unto the ages of ages, *Amen.*

Please remember to protect your loved ones from contracting the Covid-19 virus by proper hand-washing, social distancing, and WEARING FACE COVERINGS. These are the best ways to reduce the spread of the virus. So, let’s do the right thing and keep Dad and Mom and others safe!

Mucho thanks to Mary and Alan Rench for Altar Guild work this month to make the Church beautiful, clean, and safe for all our Church family.

The Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of our fathers, Thomas and Joseph, by Alan and Mary Rench. The Altar Guild will accept flower donations today for flowers in July.

THE Blessed Virgin Mary Shrine Candle is given in loving memory of Father Anthony (Robert) Miller by Fr. John and Matushka Deborah. Fr. Anthony was the second Rector of St. Peter’s Orthodox Church in Fort Worth, Texas. He died on June 21, 2013 & his Requiem was served and his burial at St. Laurence.

Paschal blessings. The policy about ‘essential’ services including churches as well as grocery stores and big box shops, the Orthodox hierarchy direct that we keep the under 25% rule for attendance and all the spacing of the previous regulations.

**Holy Communion in both kinds (the sacred Host, the Body of Christ) and precious Blood from the chalice will be combined by the Deacon or Priest “dipping” the people’s Host in the Chalice and placing the Sacrament on the tongue of the communicant.** We will have to space out at the Altar rail.

This Wuhan viral infestation is no joke and for those who are compromised can be deadly. For safety’s sake, please wear a mask. We have extra face masks on the back table for all.

Thanks to Ann Armstrong for recommending her landscape worker to clean the tables and chairs out on the Patio, to make repairs to the cedar fence, to rake up the leaves, to trim the bushes and the decorative grasses. Normally Matushka Deborah takes care of most of these