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Staying Connected while Physically Distant

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A perpetual sense of waiting

The first time I watched the Mass on-line from St John's I thought WOW! How wonderful to be able to have the normality of worshipping in my own church with my own community, however remotely! How has the Parish Team put together such polished, beautiful liturgies with so little warning, liturgies that allow me to join in song and prayer and feel vaguely normal? I can only guess at the challenges the team tackled to give us these Masses.

There is a hollowness to this new life, a perpetual sense of waiting. One of my friends said it feels like 'Good Friday' every day! So, thank you for the wonderful gifts that have brought some of 'normal' into my life with the beauty of our liturgies!

Elizabeth McDonald

Darkness & Light

I understand that this is from a Scottish gravestone.

"THERE IS NOT ENOUGH DARKNESS IN THE WHOLE WORLD TO SNUFF OUT THE LIGHT OF ONE WEE CANDLE"

I have always liked this saying, and it has always touched me deeply.

Submitted by Frank Adamik

The Daily & The Divine

We all need to see the link between the daily and the divine in our lives, or else we shall separate the very elements that are necessary to our own full development: a commitment to the commonplace and a sensitivity to the cosmic in which we dwell.

In a High Spiritual Season, by Joan Chittister

Today's Gospel John 10: 1-10

My soul thirsts for God for the living God



Fierce Lover of life, give strength to our arms and our resolve.

Critical is this time for cleaning, swabbing, scrubbing and washing our hands again.

And again, and again.

Let us join ourselves to the task with readiness, steadiness, clarity. Because we, too, love life, our own and our neighbour's.

Short Prayers in a time of virus, by Julie Perrin https://tellingwords.com.au/collects-in-the-time-of-virus/
Sent in by Terry Fewtrell

Archdiocesan Daily Mass

I had such a beautiful surprise when on Wednesday 29 April I logged into what has become my daily quiet time with the Lord -Catholic Voice's live streaming of Mass from the Cathedral chapel.

There was our Fr Kimi!

I felt so proud of him taking his turn with the Canberra region priests who are rotating the privilege of taking part in this special event. I hope other SJA-ers had the lovely surge of joy and recognition as well.

Mary French

I have called you by name, you are mine.

Isaiah 43:1