

**To all SMC parishioners,**

In solidarity with our arch/bishops and in line with the measurement recommended by MOH issued on 11/3/20, SMC will follow the instruction given as follows from **14/3/20 – 29/3/20:**

1) **NO Masses, NO catechism classes, NO RCIA, NO Meetings/gatherings during this period TEMPORARILY** - so, **all** programs/Masses/meetings will have to be **POSTPONED.**

2) **Church will remain open from 7am to 6pm (Mon – Sun)** for PERSONAL prayer and adoration - pls observe hygiene

3) **Parish Office will be open as normal** during operational hours. Parishioners can come for...

a) **Mass offering and donations** (to continue to support our church financially) - I will still be celebrating PRIVATE Mass to pray for your intentions offered!

b) **Funeral arrangements and Mass**

c) **Making arrangement for sacraments**, including anointing, confession etc.

4) **19/03/2020 - prayer and fasting at home** designated by the diocese

I know it is not an easy move especially for those of us who love Mass so much. So...

1) do spend time with Jesus (Holy Hour) in prayer and Mass (from the internet) - **I will still celebrate PRIVATE Mass according to our normal timing** (so that we can pray as “ONE” church) - esp **participating weekend Masses in observing the Day of the Lord** as an Obligation.

2) as we are in Lenten season, anyone can use the booklet for **the Way of the Cross** at the main entrance of the church

3) we will **update anything about SMC our HOME** Thru whatsapp/facebook during this period of time

4) **General absolution** for weekend Masses - waiting for the instruction of the Diocese.

So... **Tomorrow (13/3/20) will be the LAST Mass** before this to be effective - 7pm rosary, followed by adoration, the Way of the Cross and Mass... **hopefully we MAY resume our Masses from 30/3/20.**

Let us continue to place our hope and trust in Almighty God and PRAY that He will bring a swift end to this crisis! God bless.

*Father Anthony Liew on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020*