## **Wellspring for Living Stones**

A Collection of Prayers, Reflections, and More | Volume 2 | April 15, 2020

The world is experiencing unprecedented change, but the Madonna University mission is steadfast. The faculty and staff of the Mission Core Team would like to share resources to help guide our community through uncharted waters. They are rooted in the MU mission to instill Christian humanistic values, intellectual inquiry, a respect for diversity, and a commitment to serving others. They have helped bring our team peace of mind and sense of purpose, and we are honored to share them with you.

## **Prayer in Days of Uncertainty**

Loving God, we come to you full of anxiety about what may happen in the coming days and weeks. Shower us with the peace Jesus promised to his disciples and make us into steady pillars for those around us. In this time of uncertainty and epidemic, wake us up to the reminder that we are not alone. Even as we are asked to keep our distance from others, help us to find ways to reach out to those who need our support. We pray especially for those whose incomes and livelihoods are threatened; for the children who will miss meals due to school closures: for those already isolated, lonely and scared. Loving God, give them your peace, and through our hands ensure they have what they need. Sustain, strengthen and protect all caregivers. Bless them as they offer compassionate care and show selfless courage in the face of risk. Remind us, each time we wash our hands, that in our baptism you call us to let go of our fears and live in joy, peace, and hope. Amen.

From the Catholic Health Administration, submitted by <u>Sister Nancy Marie</u>
<u>Jamroz</u>, Co-Director of the Center for Catholic Studies & Interfaith Dialogue

"This is a timely article from Trustee Rodney Patterson that shows that while we are going through challenging times, America shows her spirit of resiliency and strength. We are emerging stronger than we were before as we witness the best of humanity."

"The Coronavirus Through the Lens of Diversity & Inclusion, Equity, and Engagement": <a href="https://thelearnersgroup.com/blog/f/the-coronavirus-through-the-lens-of-d-i-equity-and-engagement">https://thelearnersgroup.com/blog/f/the-coronavirus-through-the-lens-of-d-i-equity-and-engagement</a>

from <u>Claire Ofiara</u>, Director of Diversity & Inclusion, and Program Director of Mosaic Leadership Academy

"God IS the ultimate healer, even when it seems a cure is delayed in appearing."

Listen to "There Is a Balm in Gilead" here: https://youtu.be/8fcMxI\_6xsk

from Jesse Cox, Director of Campus Ministry

The Catholic Health Association provides "Spiritual Resources for COVID-19" on their website, including access to online chapels and Holy Mass. Learn more here: <a href="https://www.chausa.org/newsroom/coronavirus-resources/spiritual-resources-for-covid-19">https://www.chausa.org/newsroom/coronavirus-resources/spiritual-resources-for-covid-19</a>

from <u>Connie Tingson-Gatuz</u>, Vice President for Student Affairs & Mission Integration

A Prayer of Remembrance and Hope is available here. The Mission Core team invites you to join the campus community, as we share this prayer while we are apart, each Monday at 12:00 PM.



Wellspring for Living Stones will be updated, added to, and archived online. If you have questions or concerns, or would like to submit materials to include, please contact Colleen McLellan in the Office of Service-Learning & Civic Engagement: cmclellan@madonna.edu