The above sub-title to this article may seem strange, however, this is all that I can offer at this time.

The world is still in the midst of this pandemic and it is difficult to see what direction we are going in. In my opinion common sense goes a long way in this type of a situation, plus our faith should guide our belief and emotions. Yet amidst all of the misery and concern, the world's population is still turning its back on God, Religion and the Church.

Church attendance in all religions is low. The summer months compounds the attendance situation plus the pandemic. There are many who are afraid of traveling out of their homes for fear of contracting the virus and this is respected 100% plus. But on the other hand, many people are using this situation as a "free pass" of not attending church while showing no hesitation of traveling everywhere else.

This is not the first pandemic that our world has experienced nor will it be our last. The illustration with this message shows Jesus healing the leper. The sad commentary with that is ten lepers were healed and yet only one of the ten had the courtesy of returning to Jesus to say thank you.

What is going to happen in the future no one's really knows. However; this situation will eventually be controlled with the help of God, Scientists and Doctors.

As a parish we will continue to abide by the rules, and mass is celebrated every Sunday as best as possible. There are still restrictions on singing, distribution of Holy Communion, and socialization but we are still thankful for the blessings and graces that are being received.

Interesting to say - How many people will return to the church to say thank you once this situation is controlled?

IT SHOULD BE INTERESTING - WHAT WILL BE YOUR DECISION????????

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† PARISH FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER †

Sunday, September 6 at 9:00 a.m. - +Andrew Stasko & Karen Rose Blanford, offered by Sophie Stasko
Sunday, September 6 at 9:00 a.m. - +Robert Bo Miller, offered by wife Terri and children
Sunday, September 6 at 9:00 a.m. - Irene Ruda, offered by Family
Sunday, September 13 at 9:00 a.m. - +Mike, Helen, Andrew & Michael Mnahoncak, by Bob & Joanne Mnahoncak
Sunday, September 13 at 9:00 a.m. - +Julie Zalaffi, offered by Family
Sunday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m. - Gerhard Tischler, offered by wife Carole
Sunday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m. - Chester Socha Sr. & Stella Socha, offered by Joe Kot
Sunday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m. - Edward Nowakowski Sr., offered by Edward Jr. & Yvonne Nowakowski
Sunday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m. - George Kolba Sr., offered by Family
Sunday, September 27 at 9:00 a.m. - Jadwiga Sperska, offered by son Vincent
Sunday, September 27 at 9:00 a.m. - Lyn Podkulski, offered by Terri Miller
Sunday, September 27 at 9:00 a.m. - +John and Jean Borowski, offered by daughter Carole

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I acknowledge the following who have given of themselves in time, labor and material offerings to our parish:

☺ to Charlene Laskowski for her $250.00 donation in memory of husband Gene Laskowski
☺ to Sean Walter/Answer Pest Control for donating his time, labor and materials taking of
an ant problem in the rectory
☺ to Andy Stasko Jr./AMS Electric for donating his time, labor and materials taking care
of some electrical problems around the parish complex
☺ to Ed Kozloski for donating several hundred pounds of bird food for parish feeders
☺ to Grace Fell for her $50.00 church donation
☺ to Debbie Benzi and Betty Ruda for donating their time, labor and materials
making free safety masks that are available in the church vestibule
☺ to the Polish National Union for donating the free bottle of hand sanitizer that are
available in the church vestibule

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Please remember the following in your prayers, with a card or call:

Florence Ottman at Ideal Living Center             Wanda Raychel Broczkowski
Mae Raychel at St. Louise Manor                   Robert Blakeslee
Edward Ambrose                                      Debbie & Mike Cushner
Dolores Butora Duke                                Jeanette & Ed Samuelson

Privacy laws do not allow hospitals or nursing homes to inform priests of admission.
Family members must make this notification to the priest upon admission and
discharge.

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Words of Christian Sympathy and Condolences are extended to the
Spach/Szczepanski Families on the passing of Alice Szczepanski Spach this past July
in Portland, Maine.

Alice was a life long member of All Saints and active in all phases of our parish life
especially our St. Marys Sodality and Sunday School. A celebration of her life will be
held in the spring of 2021. May She Rest in Peace.
Our parish, like other parishes and organizations are affected by what is happening in the world. We will make our parish decisions on fund raisers and parish activities on a monthly basis. The following are the September events and activities that are affected:

FALL RUMMAGE SALE is rescheduled until the spring of 2021
CONFIRMATION SUNDAY is rescheduled until the spring of 2021
SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP is on hold until a later date
SUNDAY SCHOOL/RELIGION CLASSES are on hold until a later date
CHOIR REHEARSALS are on hold until a later date
ALTAR SERVERS are on hiatus until a later date

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At this time the status of our Sunday School/Religion classes will be put on hold on a monthly basis until the all clear is given.

However; this is not a free pass to not attend Sunday Mass, especially the members of the confirmation class. The Bishop will be monitoring their church attendance. Parents are to be responsible in seeing that their children and teenagers along with themselves are present at Sunday Mass.

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I would be very remiss if I did not acknowledge the parish family members who have supported the parish during these times: to those who attended and are attending Sunday mass, to those who are supporting the financial needs of the parish either in person or by mail.

All of the above tends to strengthen and maintain the parish life that we can continue with the life of our parish during these abnormal times. FDR

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The parish council will meet after Sunday Mass on September 13. Meeting will be held in the nave of the church - masks and social distancing will be observed.

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Our Men’s Society meetings will resume on Sunday, September 20, following Sunday Mass in the nave of the church.
We are continuing to accept parish family members contact information for our emergency notification system. This system will be used to alert and notify parish members of last minute changes in schedules and will utilize email and/or cell phone text messages. If you are interested in receiving these notifications/messages, please complete the below form and leave it in the parish office or Sunday collection basket. For the parishioners who have already submitted your cell phone number, we still need your cell provider.

NAME ___________________________ E-MAIL ___________________________

CELL PHONE NUMBER ___________________________ CELL PHONE PROVIDER ___________________________

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ATTENTION POLISH NATIONAL UNION POLICY OWNERS -

Effective immediately; if you have any questions or business concerning your insurance policy with the PNU, you will now deal directly with the Home Office of the PNU in Scranton PA. Their toll free phone number for your use is 1-800-724-6352.

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There are several items available as Memorial Gifts to the parish: a Stained Glass Window for the Nave of the Church, Carillon Music Programs, candle sticks for Offertory Altar. other church appointments.

If you are interested in donating any of the above, either as a donation or in memory of a departed loved one, please contact Fr. Ruda for more information.

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We say farewell and good wishes to Mark and Wanda Raychel Broczkowski who have made a life’s move to Amherst, New York (outside of Buffalo). Mark and Wanda have been faithful members, especially Wanda a life long member from birth. She was active in all aspects of our parish life and for many years was in charge of the kitchen for the parish picnic. Mark came to us from our sister parish in Bethlehem, Pa, and likewise was active in our parish life and functions. Their new address is: Mark and Wanda Broczkowski, 8 Astor Ridge Dr. Apt. B, Amherst, New York 14228, 716-688-2602.
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