

# Pastor's updates

September 11, 2020



## Things you may want to know this week

- 1. GOODBYE-HELLO-THANK YOU!** I was on the other side of the rectory's front door when I saw a Sunday envelope being dropped in the parish mailbox. My heart was filled with joy and admiration to know that our parishioners, even while they are not able to worship in person inside the church, continue to support our parish by dropping their weekly offering in the parish mailbox. The person on the other side of the door said goodbye to a gift, and I was on the other side saying hello with much gratefulness in my heart. I know some of you use "online giving" as well. Just the same, you say goodbye to a portion of your treasure, and the church says hello and thank you for sharing your stewardship of treasure.
- 2. GOODBYE-HELLO-THANK YOU!** We bid goodbye to GLORIA FLORIN today as she says hello to a new life in heaven. We say thank you to her for her presence and service to St. Roberts, and for showing us how to be an exemplary mother and grandmother. I celebrated a Funeral mass for her this morning at the Holy Cross Cemetery followed by an interment. The last name Florin may not sound familiar to you, but I am sure you recognize the Jaurequis, Hanks and Currans, as her grandchildren went to St. Roberts.
- 3. GOODBYE-HELLO-THANK YOU!** Goodbye to the old analog Church sound system mixer, and hello to the QSC Digital Touchpad Mixer. A huge thank you to Andy Cress who spent so much time working on replacing the old system and making sure everything works perfectly. Even though it still needs a little fine tuning, you can already tell the difference.
- 4. GOODBYE-HELLO-THANK YOU!** Goodbye to the old self and hello to a new self as three candidates of the RCIA or Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will join our Catholic faith. Thank you Sr. Sheral for facilitating their entrance to our faith and parish. If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic, but never received Confirmation or First Communion, please contact Sr. Sheral. Weekly Sessions begin Wednesday, September 30.
- 5. GOODBYE-HELLO-THANK YOU!** We have scheduled a drive-by farewell tomorrow at 2PM in our school yard-lower parking lot for our Presentation Sisters Patricia and Antonio who will be moving to San Antonio Texas next week. Unfortunately, we have to cancel the event because of the poor air quality. Regardless, we will be giving them our goodbyes before they go off with their hellos to their fellow sisters in Texas. We have endless gratitude in our hearts for our Presentation Sisters, who have given so many fruitful years of dedicated service to our parish.

**Fr. Arnold**