

**Saint Gregory Parish  
2223 Dorchester Avenue  
Dorchester, MA 02124**

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Dear Parishioners and friends

It is at times like these our faith reminds us that we are never truly alone, even as we face unprecedented challenges as a parish community. Though we are not able to join together in the celebration of the Eucharist, we continue daily to pray for the health of you and your loved ones.

I am reaching out to you about an effort created by a member of the laity with concern for our parishes during this time of crisis. It is a special, 90-day campaign that will provide offertory support directly to the parish.

**90-DAYS NOW – FOR YOUR PARISH**

This special initiative asks, if possible, for parishioners to rally around their parish by making a special *daily* offertory commitment for the next 90 days. This effort is intended to *supplement* weekly offertory gifts, given the challenges of the current crisis. Should you choose to join in this effort, the Archdiocese has created an easy-to-use link to donate.

**The link is available by clicking using this link:**

<https://bcatholic.sites.bostoncatholic.org/90DaysYourParish>

I am moved by this effort and forward this information for your consideration.

I also am most grateful for the many who have continued to send in or drop the offertory envelopes at the Rectory or given online. The next year or so will be a challenge for many of you and for the Parish.

Anticipating the challenge before us, I have had to layoff all our part-time employees, reduce hours for some full-time workers and put off paying my salary until revenues allow.

I understand *many of you may not be able to contribute to this special offertory collection given the economic impact this pandemic has had on your personal finances*. I remain extremely grateful for your prayers of support for our parish family.

With prayers as we move forward in this difficult and challenging time.

Courage and confidence in the Risen Lord

*Fr. Jack Ahern*