Dear Parishioners & Friends,

As we continue to deal with the impact of the Coronavirus, we encourage you to act responsibly by following the guidelines set forth by the Center for Disease Control (CDC). Our diocese calls us to "Be Healthy – Be Smart – Be Holy." As we follow the guidelines for social distancing or isolation, we strive to stay connected to our families and friends by social media and through prayer.

St. Matthew is your faith family inviting you to join us on Sundays as we live stream our Mass at 9:15 AM in Spanish and 11:15 AM in English. Our priest are available for confessions on Saturdays from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM. We assure you of our daily prayers and ask you to feel free to send us your prayer requests; our priests offer daily Mass in private and some of our parishioners are committed to prayer for your intentions.

Our daily lives have been disrupted by this COVID-19 pandemic. It has posed many challenges for you and your families. It has also posed many challenges to our parish and other parishes in our diocese. One major challenge is the loss of offertory funds and other fund raising efforts due to the suspension of our weekly Masses and other parish activities. I cannot stress enough how critical it is that our parish receive your offertory support; we rely on your generosity to remain operational and sustainable. We have established a safe online donation link for your convenience <a href="https://www.osvhub.com/stmatthewaz/funds">https://www.osvhub.com/stmatthewaz/funds</a>. You can also go to the parish webpage, mail your donation to the parish office, or drop into the mail slot. Thank you for your stewardship in this difficult time.

Let us commit to prayer for one another, the sick, the health professionals and our leaders guiding us through this pandemic. Let us place ourselves under the mantle of our loving Mother of Guadalupe and place ourselves in the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Nelson Libera, JCD Pastor