Dear Precious Parishioners of St. Christopher’s and St. Augustine’s,

According to the decision of the Bishops of Victoria, all Weekday and Sunday Masses as well as all Public Liturgies have been suspended.

During this time of crisis, the people of God need to be closer to God and each other spiritually. In that spirit, as the Parish Priest and part of your life and one member of our two communities, I would like to share with you some of our parish activities:

1. The St. Christopher’s Church will be opened every day for those who would like to come and pray privately. Particularly, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 9:00am to 10:00am.

Note: *Please remember to keep silent when you enter the church and sit at least 3 meters from each other, and NO vocal prayers in anyway – just keep quiet, reflect and pray privately from your mind and your heart only. You can come and leave the church quietly at the time that is suitable for you.*

2. The 1st Rite of Sacrament of Reconciliation will be on every Saturday during the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The Confessor and the Confessant will be separated by a protective screen, no direct face-to-face reconciliation and at least 3 meters apart.

3. If it is necessary, the Sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated on the appointed day and time - and only parent, God-parent and the child to be present. No extended family.

4. The Funeral, if necessary, will be restricted to immediate family only.

5. The Parish Bulletin will be issued every Friday for Sunday, so you can take one home in order to read the Readings, reflect on them through the reflections provided, pray to God and receive Spiritual Holy Communion with a Little Prayer underneath.

6. The Last Rite will be ready whenever it is needed.

Note: *I encourage my precious parishioners to support our St. Christopher’s and St. Augustine’s Parish with an “online collection”. Those who use Thanksgiving Envelopes for every Week-end Sunday Mass, please kindly consider dropping your envelops off at the Parish Office or setting up a direct debit payment during this time.*

Please remember that in my daily private Mass and prayers, each one of you - my dear precious parishioners - is in my mind, my heart and my prayers to God.

With every prayerful and good wish, I remain.

Fr. Peter Hoang.