

Dear St. Rose Parents,

Sonoma County Public Health has announced that all schools will remain closed until May 1st unless it becomes safe to open earlier. We greatly appreciate the efforts you have made to help your children continue to learn at home. There will be on-going efforts to refine and improve what we are offering. It has been challenging for teachers to gauge whether or not the amount of work being assigned is appropriate. They will use the work that is turned in on Monday along with other means to gain feedback from you and/or your child.

Here are some other important announcements:

- **Attached to this email is a [permission/consent form](#) that we need from you in order to continue your child's participation in Zoom video conferences.** Please read it carefully. You can print, sign, and deliver it to school during Monday's drop off/pick up or sign a copy when you get here on Monday. We need the form in order to continue your child's participation in Zoom conferences.
- Some of you have asked whether distance learning will continue during Easter Vacation. The diocesan superintendent along with the school principals have decided that teachers need to have that break in order to rejuvenate. Transitioning from on-site to offsite learning and maintaining communication with students and parents is extremely time-consuming. The Easter week will allow all of us who work at St. Rose to spend time with our own families. It will also allow parents to take a breather from home schooling as well. Teachers will post enrichment and extra credit options for those who want to continue working during Easter Week.
- Bishop Vasa will continue to stream a live Mass every Sunday at 10:30 AM. Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TJjEkPa3w38>
- St. Rose Church will stream a live Mass on Sundays at 9:00 AM. <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCT08I9Sy5UhNBGotCnJmkaQ>

The teachers and I continue to work even though the campus is closed. I am in the office daily and can be reached by email any time or by phone between the hours of 8:30 – 3:30. I am encouraging all teachers to unplug from their email on weekends and I am trying to do the same for myself.

I know you join me in gratitude and prayer for our health care workers and all they are doing to combat this virus.

Sincerely,

Kathy Ryan