Roman Catholic Parishes of St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X & St. Christopher 78 Balsam Street, P.O. Box 910, Copper Cliff, ON P0M 1N0

March 24th, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

Re: An Urgent Appeal for continued Parish Support

Disquieting State of Affairs

The world and our community are experiencing an unprecedented pandemic health threat. Never in the Diocesan history has there been a need to interrupt Eucharistic celebrations and community gatherings.

The daily developments and challenges are stressful for everyone, and we acknowledge these conditions. We ask everyone to please continue to follow the leadership of our Public Health Officials.

Financial impact on our parish

Our parish continues to face daily operating obligations for utilities, insurance, taxes, wages and essential maintenance of the church. However, by losing the weekly financial contributions of parishioners, we lose the cash flow and financial resources that allow us to meet these fiscal obligations. These costs will accumulate if we do not receive the required revenue.

Our Appeal

We find ourselves obliged to request assistance from our parishioners who faithfully contribute by using Sunday envelopes.

Ongoing Gratefulness

Our first obligation is to express our sincere gratitude for your loyal, unending kindness and generosity in supporting our parish.

Condition for gifting

If any gifting imposes hardship of any kind, please do not donate.

The Request

Please consider one of the suggested gifting methods for your current weekly donation:

- 1. Dropping your envelope into the parish mail slot at the parish office or
- 2. Forwarding a series of postdated cheques and Sunday envelopes to **the parish office by local mail** to the following **address**: **78 Balsam Street**, **P.O. Box 910**, **Copper Cliff**, **ON P0M 1N0**

The parishes require weekly cash to meet obligations. Any amount you can provide will be a great assistance to us. We have enclosed a **pre-authorized donation program form** (**PADP**). Please consider this method of contribution.

Please consult the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie website at *dioceseofsaultmarie.org* for updated information.

Yours most sincerely

Rev. Fr. Arulkumar, Parish Priest

Parish Finance Committee