

May 11, 2020

Dear faithful pilgrims of St. Therese of the Child Jesus,

It's hard to believe that we have reached the end of our eighth week self-isolating at home due to the result of COVID-19. The pandemic has changed our lives a great deal and has challenged us to cope with new situations.

One of the changes at the Shrine of St. Therese is the cancellation of the 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage in honor of St. Therese scheduled on Sunday, June 14, 2020. Sadly, we have to cancel this spiritual celebration due to the safety measures issued by Saskatchewan Health Authority.

You and I share a very special devotion to St. Therese. She approached her life and her relationship with God with a child sense of love and trust. In her "little way." She inspires us to live each day with love, helping to bring us closer to God and to experience God's love to each of us. All this fills our hearts with joy that we are eager to celebrate our annual pilgrimage in her honor.

Without public celebration due to Coronavirus crisis, however, we will keep connected and celebrate this 95<sup>th</sup> milestone pilgrimage in spirit. Please join us as we pray the Novena everyday from June 5 - 13. The Mass will be live-streamed at 10:30 a.m. at the Shrine of St. Therese on Sunday June 14 to pray for all your intentions, for the healing and protection and for the ending of pandemic as well. Please join us to celebrate the Mass on the "Wakaw – St. Theresa parish" facebook page. Enclosed is the Novena Prayer and personal intention form. Please remember to send us your intentions. Thank you again for your faith filled prayers and generous financial support in the past.

May the Lord, through the intercession of St. Therese of Little Flower, bless you abundantly!

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Matthew Nguyen  
On behalf of Pilgrimage Committee