



PALM SUNDAY

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020

From me to you...

Confident of the Divine Mercy of God in our lives let us continue praying together in this time of uncertainty. With the works of different sectors of government and our faith in God, we can topple down this virus that has already affected thousands of lives. Every morning, after my personal prayer, I tune in to daily news with great hope, to monitor the world's current situation. There were days difficult to bear and at times I remained stunned, weary, and scared. Yet, with grateful heart seeing people - as we call them frontliners (healthcare workers, public safety and law enforcers, cashier's, and supermarket attendants, clerical, and administrative personnel, food service staffs, janitorial teams, etc.) all over the world doing the best of their abilities in casting out this contagion. They inspire me to do my little own way: pray. Definitely, God is giving them knowledge and wisdom to contain ultimately eliminate this virus soon.

Meanwhile, let us help them in our prayers. As we all believe "prayer can move mountains" - let us unite with one intention to move this enormous virus away from our world. St. Paul says in his letter to the Philippians; "God is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure," meaning let us share in God's work showing his love to the world through our words and actions, in every possibility we have.

We are now nearing the end of our Lenten journey, beginning the path of Holy Week. Our liturgy supposes to move us to that triumphant entry of Jesus with palms waving and shouting Hosanna! Even if we remain in our homes during the Holy Week, let us echo and wave our spirits of resilience, gratitude, and hope. This Lent 2020 will never be forgotten in the years to come. Therefore, let the next generations remember that we saw, we believed, and we acted! That is what this Holy Week path is all about for us - to do what God asks of us. As we honor Jesus' passage from death to life... let us embrace our own!

Let us come together and worship Jesus, our Savior!

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