

Dear Readers,

During this difficult time of seclusion and isolation caused by the coronavirus it is more important than ever that we stay connected as a family of faith.

To help you be spiritually nourished and kept up-to-date on diocesan directives during this time, The Observer Catholic Newspaper will be accessible FREE OF CHARGE online at

<http://observertoo.rockforddiocese.org/> .

During this pandemic you can now find The Observer on your computer, tablet, laptop or mobile device. The Observer staff will do everything possible to keep the Catholic faithful in our 11-county diocese up-to-date with special prayers being offered by the Holy Father Pope Francis, Bishop David Malloy and other initiatives offered as the world combats the coronavirus. We will continue offering insight from all our local columnists including Bishop Malloy as well as local inspiration from people living their faith.

We value our faithful subscribers who make our work possible with their \$28 annual subscriptions and will continue to mail our print editions to them. We pray for a swift end to this terrible health crisis and when that happens, we will again have the newspaper both print and digital exclusive to those who pay for it.

However, at this extraordinary time for all of us, it is vital for us to be united in as many aspects of our faith as possible.

Thank you and may God guide you and keep you from all harm.

Sincerely,

Penny Wiegert

Editor