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Monday 13 April, 2020

Dear Mr. and Mrs. McGrath,

"How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (Acts 10:38)

How much more do these words, which we read and celebrated on Easter, pierce our hearts amidst a generational pandemic that has so intimately affected each of our lives?

These words should do more than give us solace in these trying times. Isaiah reminds us that Jesus has born our sufferings precisely so that eternal life would be won for us. "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." (Lk 23:43) This is the joy of Easter and the message of hope we are called to proclaim to the world!

Our Church, as an integral member of that human family, plays a critical role in serving the spiritual needs of God's people, even more so during this time. In the midst of this crisis, I am grateful to our priests, religious, deacons and lay ministers, and all the faithful who creatively and steadfastly continue to bring His love to those most in need.

In every parish of our Archdiocese, the impact of this pandemic has been particularly acute. Our collective mission to spread the Gospel is challenging without a financial lifeline. I ask today that you join with me in supporting your own parish and perhaps others throughout the Church of Washington by visiting adw.org/parish or returning the enclosed reply card. To the extent that you can support the local church during this difficult time, I am most grateful.

Even more, I thank you for your hopeful witness of the Gospel as you bring in word and action God's invitation to all those suffering around us:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name: you are mine." (Is 43:1)

Devotedly yours in Christ,

Handwritten signature of Wilton D. Gregory

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