



In last week's newsletter Fr. Paulson expressed his appreciation for our parish staff - for our flexibility and continuing work over the past months. We - as a staff - wish to express our deepest gratitude to Fr. Paulson for his *outstanding leadership* in shepherding our parish communities during this most challenging time.

From the beginning of the 'shelter in place' to the present day (and continuing) our pastor has put the 'good of the people' as his highest priority. He has made every effort to keep informed by public health officials. He has been *untiring* in his efforts to keep us safe, constantly reminding us of the protocols - and at the same time has found new and creative ways to provide spiritual nourishment for our communities - keeping parish life alive as much as can be done. Daily liturgies, rosaries and devotions to Mary, celebration of the sacraments, speaker series, support of our school and our St. Vincent de Paul ministry ... upgrading technology so all can stay connected ... and the list goes on and on.

The needs of the people come first for Fr. Paulson. We cannot imagine the extent of the pressure and stress it has been for Fr. Paulson to make so many important decisions - dealing with constant changes from one moment to the next. He has been *selfless* in serving the needs of our people and has not counted the cost to himself.

On behalf of Christ the King and St. Stephen Parish communities ~ the parish staff wishes to express our deepest gratitude to Fr. Paulson for his *generous* and *incredible leadership*.

We are blessed to have you as our pastor!