Holy Week in the Polish National Catholic Church
During COVID-19
April 1, 2020

The bishops of the Polish National Catholic Church continue to be in touch with each other and monitor what is being said by the various state and federal agencies in the areas where our parishes reside.

The isolation orders are strengthening in many areas within our country. The federal guidelines have also extended the social distancing measures and prohibitions of groups larger than 10 until April 30. Many state guidelines are even stronger. The Polish National Catholic Church will follow these precautions in order to protect the safety of all of our parishioners.

While we are aware that Holy Week and the celebration of the Solemnity of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ are the true central point of our liturgical year and all of its celebrations, unfortunately the directives for our people to remain at home mean that things will have to be done a little different this year. We remind the faithful of the Church that the celebrations of the Passion of our Lord and His triumph over death in the Resurrection are not canceled but rather they must be celebrated by each of us separately in our homes, joined in prayer while the celebrations occur within our parish churches.

We have provided some guidelines to the pastors of the parishes of the Polish National Catholic Church regarding the celebrations of Holy Week and Easter. The pastors are reminded that while the people are directed to remain at home, pastors are still to celebrate the liturgy of the Church. The Church and her priests will continue to pray for her people.