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Dear Utah Catholic School Families,

On Monday of this week, Governor Herbert extended his order and announced that public school facilities will be closed through May 1. This extension was put in place in order to protect the health and welfare of students and the general community in Utah.

Bishop Solis is now extending the closure of Catholic School facilities from April 20, through May 1. Although students are not in our buildings, our Catholic schools remain committed to providing relevant and meaningful online and remote instruction during this time.

Bishop Solis and I would like to commend the outstanding work that our principals and teachers have done in shifting the delivery of our curriculum from the “brick and mortar” classroom, to the classroom at home. It takes an extraordinary amount of time and planning to achieve this.

Parents and care givers, I also recognize that this is a drastic change for you as well. I thank you for your patience and support as we transition our learning platform. I encourage you to communicate any concerns or questions that you might have to your children’s teachers or you school principal. Our goal is to provide your children the very best education during this time of required social distancing.

I also realize that some of you may be experiencing a reduction in income. Our schools are committed to the Mission of Catholic education and will work with you during these trying times. Please do not hesitate to contact your school principal as necessary.

I ask you all again to join me in prayer for a quick end to this crisis,

Mark Longe  
Superintendent of Catholic Schools