

June 28, 2020

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Dear Msgr. Machalski and Fr. Alex,

I am over 70 years old, and have been attending Mass via the internet during the pandemic. At first, I followed Bishop Barron's Word on Fire service out of Los Angeles, but that Mass is no longer available since limited in-person participation now is permitted in California.

Then I found your Sunday mass on YouTube. On June 14. I listened to Msgr. Machalski's wonderful message on being one body of Christ, to heal divisiveness. I was especially surprised and pleased to hear gender being included with race, ethnicity, social class, etc. (We have a gay daughter.)

On June 21, Fr. Alex's excellent sermon was about being a bit tired and angry with the current situation, and how the root of these feelings is fear, and how important it is to trust in God and not let fear be a primary factor. It was very timely, and very heartening after a somewhat disheartening week.

Please accept this small contribution, plus best wishes on the difficult task of re-opening your parish to limited in-person participation. And please know that you reached people far across the country who are very grateful.

Sincerely

*Thank you! May all  
your parishioners have  
patience with your  
efforts to keep everyone  
safe!*