

March 18, 2020

Faculty, staff and students of Aquinas Institute of Theology:

As events connected with COVID-19, the coronavirus pandemic, continue to unfold and the need for social distancing increases, Aquinas Institute of Theology has the health and safety interests of our students, staff, and faculty at the forefront.

Along with a growing number of academic institutions, Aquinas Institute is suspending onsite teaching of courses for the next three weeks. As of March 17th, and continuing through April 3rd, courses will be taught online, either synchronously through live video conferencing, or asynchronously.

Although the school building will be open daily with reduced hours, most staff and faculty will be working remotely from home during this time.

Aquinas Institute's weekly Tuesday masses are canceled for the next few weeks. The Lenten Retreat, "Lord, Open My Eyes," scheduled for this Saturday, March 21, has also been canceled.

Along with the rest of the St. Louis region, the ongoing situation will be closely monitored with the hope that onsite teaching for residential courses will resume soon after April 3rd and staff, faculty, and students can return in good health to Aquinas Institute.

Sincerely,

Mark E. Wedig, OP

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