





December 8, 2020

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Dear Parishioner,

Remember the old adage, "The pen is mightier than the sword." Well I am writing my annual Christmas letter to you with a special Christmas pen, of which I have enclosed for each and every one of you as my little Christmas present, as I celebrate my fifth Christmas with you as your pastor.

I purposely chose to write this letter on the feast day of the Immaculate Conception. For as the Angel Gabriel said to Mary, "For nothing will be impossible for God," I sincerely believe, with the help of our Blessed Mother, that we will get through this year of the pandemic, and enter the new "Year of Grace 2021."

If you look on your Christmas pen you will also notice our new website is printed on the pen: stmichaelscanton.com for your convenience.

My personal feelings about this virus are summed up nicely in the article called: "How the Virus Stole Easter" by Kristi Bothur. As we continually strive to be vigilant and safe, may you and your loved ones have a very Blessed and Merry Christmas, and a Prosperous and Happy New Year!

Faithfully Yours in Christ, Father Joe