

WARNING OF SCAM – April 3, 2025

I was recently informed by the Parish Office of a Scam that resulted in the release of the Church Directory that included: names, addresses, email addresses and phone numbers. Working with our staff, including our contracted IT Support, and the Archdiocese today, the scope of this security issue has been identified as noted. It has also been determined that no parishioner's financial records, or banking information, including those who give on-line were released, nor did this breach include any data from Our Lady's Academy.

Please BEWARE of anticipated fraudulent texts, emails, or letters, claiming to be from me, any other parish priest, staff, or general requests from the parish, which urge you to contact a fraudulent phone number for texts, or email. These deceitful requests most likely will ask for you to contact them – DO NOT contact these requests in any fashion – as they will ask for Gift Cards or money orders be electronically sent to these false people, presented themselves as someone from the parish.

As noted, a year-ago at weekend Masses, any rare parish requests for gift cards for fundraiser or charity purposes, are always to be delivered to the Parish Office or placed in our Church collection boxes – and never asked to be electronically sent to any phone or email. We are further reviewing our system to make any necessary updates to our security.

This issue will also be announced at all weekend Masses, inserted in to the already printed Sunday bulletin, as well as posted on our Parish website. If you have any further questions, please contact the parish office.

Fr. James M. DiPerri
Pastor