Dear [Name],

I have been praying for you and your family during these many long months of the pandemic. At each Mass I offer, I remember you and your family. Even though there were times when you were not able to be physically present with the community or to receive Christ in the Eucharist, Jesus remained close to you!

I have heard many stories through phone calls and informal conversations with parishioners about how Christ has remained present to you. These stories have been lifelines, helping me to stay close to you and to Christ.

As we emerge from these most difficult days, I would like to personally invite you to return to your spiritual home here at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Parish, to pray with your parish community, to encounter Christ in the Eucharist and to simply be together in fellowship. Simply put, it is a wonderful moment of grace to *Re-member Our Sunday Story* together. We need each other. We are not whole when we are separated.

Even as I invite you to come home, I want to assure you I understand that each person needs to return at the time that is best for himself or herself. We each have our own journey and our own story. But the banquet table is set — waiting for you to bring your challenges and find the love and graces so necessary in life. We look forward to having the community reunited.

If there is anything that I or the parish can do to assist you, please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are unable to return but would like a pastoral visit, please contact the parish for arrangements by (calling this number or emailing to this address…) Mass and confession times listed below for your convenience

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Name  
Pastor

[Mass and confession times here]