Dear Patrons,

**Effective December 2 and until further notice the Gellert Memorial Library will be closed to all non-St. Patrick’s affiliated patrons.** This means that use of the library is limited to the students, faculty, and employees of St. Patrick’s Seminary and **the front door of the library will be locked.** We realize that the library is an important place for many people to come to be intellectually and spiritually refreshed. However, the seminary is committed to providing a safe environment for its residents and employees, so we must restrict access while we evaluate the best way to extend the hospitality of the library to the surrounding community without compromising the security of the campus.

Next year we will be unveiling a new plan for Visiting Researchers, who may apply at the front desk for library services during select hours. **Please continue to monitor our website at [https://library.stpsu.edu/](https://library.stpsu.edu/) for further announcements** about these developments. Our website and catalog remain open to the public. If you currently have books checked out, please return them by the end of the year. The outdoor bookdrop will continue to accept returns.

Please feel free to contact us at library@stpsu.edu or 650-321-5655 with any questions or concerns you may have about the new and upcoming policies. We will also be happy to refer you to alternative resources to help you with your immediate research needs. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you and thank you for the opportunity to support you in your scholarly endeavors over the years.

Sincerely,

The Gellert Memorial Library Staff