



Dear Worldwide Sangha

After careful consideration, H.E. Garchen Rinpoche has decided to temporarily close the Garchen Buddhist Institute in Arizona. This decision is for the protection of each and every one of us and our many connections, near and far, from the uncertainties and risks of the global coronavirus epidemic.

It's a precautionary measure to protect the welfare of ALL as we have learned that travel and group gatherings are known to increase the spread of this dangerous disease.

We care deeply about the health and well-being of everyone and will continue to offer the Dharma teachings, prayers and practices online through our livestream YouTube channel.

Garchen Rinpoche is really emphasizing the importance of how watching online is the same as being here physically.

Our online events will continue as scheduled and we will be announcing new online programs very soon.

Join us online for the Guru Rinpoche Mantra Accumulation retreat March 13 -15 and for Lopon Barbara Dubois's one day teaching on March 21st on her new book release.

Please contact the office if you would like a refund of any upcoming event you may have registered for.

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Garchen Rinpoche made an announcement today, March 8th, about his decision to temporarily close the Institute and that video message will be posted on our website tomorrow by early afternoon.

Be sure to watch now a newly posted video message from Garchen Rinpoche on March 7th that is currently on our homepage www.garchen.net.

Please regularly check our website for any updates as well.

With heartfelt prayers and love for everyone's well being,

The Garchen Buddhist Institute.