

"Teach me your ways, O Lord" - Psalm 25

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Liza (Marie) and Lisa (Dennison) representing St. Patrick at the MLK Jr. March on Monday

"Repent, and believe in the gospel"

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

We all witnessed a transfer of power in our American democracy this week. While the high-security setting was anything but peaceful, thankfully, Inauguration Day was peace-filled, countering the chaos that loomed on the same Capitol steps two weeks ago.

This weekend Jesus is beginning his new ministry in Galilee. He walks by fisherman Simon telling him to drop his nets, follow him and become a fisher of men (and women). He was walking the streets saying the words we will hear on Ash Wednesday: "Repent, and believe in the gospel." Jesus' words are challenging and healing, focusing us all on embracing the "better angels of our nature" as his disciples.

As we watched the inauguration many of us were touched by the challenging and healing words of a young African American poet Amanda Gorman. These words were like an electric shock to our collective souls:

"we will rebuild, reconcile, and recover in every known nook of our nation in every corner called our country our people diverse and beautiful will emerge battered and beautiful, when the day comes we step out of the shade aflame and unafraid, the new dawn blooms as we free it, for there is always light if only we're brave enough to see it, if only we're brave enough to be it."

May we be brave enough to repent and believe in the gospel. May we be brave enough to be fishers of men and women by our words and actions. May we be brave enough to be the light in this broken world.

Peace...

Dcn. Dennis Kelly Pastoral Coordinator

Sunday Online Mass Schedule

Mass will be hosted LIVE at 10:30 AM online via <u>Facebook</u>*

* As an alternative to Facebook, you NOW can also attend Mass by joining the Hospitality Zoom meeting <u>here</u>. Join at 10:30 AM for Mass and then enjoy Hospitality immediately following Mass!

Or find the Mass via YouTube

(Masses posted within 24 hrs.)

ZOOM LINKS CAN BE FOUND BY CLICKING ON WORD<u>ZOOM</u> TO OPEN

Grief Support Group

St. Pat's Grief Support Group will meet on Zoom this Sunday, January 24 at 2 PM. We are an informal group who offer each other support through listening, conversation and prayer.

Please contact Eileen Murphy at<u>eileenmacmurphy@gmail.com</u>, if you would like the Zoom link to attend the meeting. All are welcome.

Care for Creation: 2040

Join fellow Catholic parishioners for an amazing at-home screening of this awardwinning climate documentary.



Drawing on the best minds from around the world to focus on climate, economics, technology, civil society, agriculture, and sustainability, *2040* maps out a pathway for change that can lead us to a more ecologically sustainable and equitable future. The film takes a solutions-based approach to how we can, using the technology we already have, mitigate the enormous global issues we currently face. *2040* is a story of hope, and a powerful tool to encourage people to take action.

You can register individually (<u>https://care4creation.eventbrite.co.uk</u>) to watch the movie any time you like from January 21st to February 6th, or you can just join your friends at St Pat's Wednesday Weekly Movie Night on our usual <u>Zoom link</u> on January 27th at 7 PM. All are welcome!

In addition to our usual group discussion immediately following the movie, there will be a facilitated conversation about the film and its solutions on Sunday, February 7th from 1 - 2:30 p.m. (Zoom information will be sent out separately.)

This event is sponsored in part by the following Catholic Care for Creation teams: St. Joseph Parish, Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, St. John the Evangelist Parish, Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center, St. James Cathedral, and Seattle University Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture.

Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity



For over 100 years, from January 18th (the Feast of the Confession of Saint Peter) through January 25th (the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul), Christians throughout the world pray for Christian Unity, and we pray that the centuries of divisions between Christian faiths would come to an end.

US Bishops recommend that on the Sunday within the Octave of Prayer, that a "pulpit exchange" occurs, inviting ministers of other Christian denominations to preach at Mass after the homily. Christ Our Hope will welcome its own parishioner Rev. Jamie Greene to offer a reflection at all 3 Masses this weekend. Jamie is an ordained minister in the Christian and Missionary Alliance. He and his wife, Lynn, regularly attend the 7 PM Mass, and are members of the Choir of Hope. You can watch his reflection online this weekend on Christ Our Hope's Facebook page.

To learn more about the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity, you can go <u>HERE.</u>

Wish Fr. Bryan a Happy Birthday!



Fr. Bryan will celebrate his 50th birthday this coming weekend. We thought it would be nice to provide him with a shared community **Birthday Card** from parishioners of both St. Patrick's and Christ Our Hope. Feel free to leave a birthday wish on his virtual e-card. You can access the card here: <u>https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/rmcHsUwG</u>

Continuing Engagement Opportunities

We encourage you to attend Sunday hospitality immediately after St. Patrick Mass at 10:30 AM. Hospitality will be hosted by Betsey Beckman and Sandy Tennyson via **ZOOM** around 11:30 AM.

Join Fr. Hersey and me for <u>Coffee and Conversation</u> on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 AM.

Dr. David and Ruth Ard host a weekly scripture study group, **Breaking Open The Word** on Wednesday afternoons at 5 PM.

Alternatively, join a virtual small Women's group, <u>Encountering God</u>, who gather online on Thursdays at 11 AM. This is a sixty minute women's reflection group led by Lisa Dennison and Deanna Tighe.

Please email **Deanna Tighe** if you have questions about these events or ideas on other ways you would like to engage.

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