



**"I will praise you,
Lord, in the assembly
of your people"
- Psalm 22**

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Our beloved Church basking in spring sunshine

"Wine is sunlight, held together by water"

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

"Wine is sunlight, held together by water" - Galileo Galilei

This weekend, Jesus is talking to his disciples about the vine and the branches, a metaphor used in John's recounting of the Last Supper. His disciples would understand this metaphor because it resonated throughout their faith tradition. Wine is the end product of years of hard labor. The source of this nectar comes from vines that are decades (sometimes centuries) old. Some branches do not bear much fruit. These branches need pruning so stronger branches can produce

a bigger yield. And so it is with our faith. Our physical presence in Church does not necessarily mean that we are living members of the Body of Christ. We must remain spiritually united with Christ to be living members of His Body, otherwise, we are just dead branches taking up room and obstructing others in their growth. God is our creator and source of the vineyard. Jesus is the vine that God planted on this earth for us. We are his branches. But we only grow strong and flourish if we stay connected to Jesus (through prayer and Eucharist). Or our efforts will bear little fruit.

Peace...

Dcn. Dennis Kelly
Pastoral Coordinator

Sunday Online Mass Schedule

Mass will be hosted LIVE at 10:30 AM online via [Facebook](#) *

* As an alternative to Facebook, you NOW can also attend Mass by joining the Hospitality Zoom meeting [here](#). Join at 10:30 AM for Mass and then enjoy Hospitality immediately following Mass!

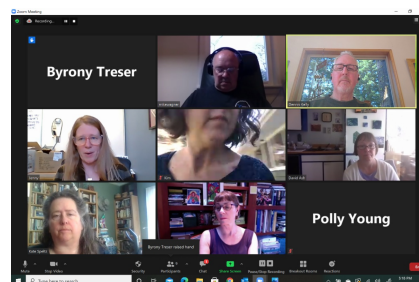
Or find the Mass via [YouTube](#)
(Masses posted within 24 hrs.)

Sunday Readings:
(You can also access them [here](#))

First Reading Acts 9:26-31; Psalm 22; Second Reading 1 Jn 3:18-24; Gospel Jn 15:1-8

Important Parish Update

This past Wednesday our team of parish advocates met with members of the Archdiocese's Strategic Planning team. A few of our questions received answers. We were told more answers are forthcoming. In addition, our team received our Parish Vitality Index this week. This information will be shared at a future parish wide listening session or at the meeting with Bishop Mueggenborg scheduled for May 10th (details will be in next week's parish wide email). Please keep our team of advocates in your prayers as we move forward in this process.



Archdiocese Inclusion Mass

You're invited to attend Mass on Sunday, May 1st at 11 AM, as we celebrate people with disabilities in our Catholic faith community. No registration required. Also, Livestream [@Archdioceseofseattle on Vimeo](#) and [Facebook](#). Bishop Mueggenborg will be presiding. The Inclusion Ministry serves



Celebrating people
with disabilities
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and works collaboratively with our parishes and schools to promote the inclusion and meaningful participation of people with disabilities in the life of our Catholic faith community.

Going forth with Pentecost Joy

Maryknoll's Missionary Discipleship Formation Program draws on global experiences to enable participants to integrate global solidarity and mission into their spirituality, ministry, and programs.



Throughout May there will be several opportunities to participate online via Zoom and experience the Joy of Pentecost as a Missionary Disciple. If you are interested in participating, you can learn more and register [here](#). The program will take place on the following dates, please note bear in mind that online collateral and times are listed in Eastern time.

- Saturdays, May 8 & 15th: 12:30pm - 3pm EDT
- Tuesdays, May 11th & 18th: 7pm - 8:30pm EDT
- Thursdays, May 13th & 20th: 7pm - 8:30pm EDT

For more information call Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers on (914) 941-7636, ext. 2644

Gardening Tip

As you oversee your yard this Spring, consider adding white clover seed to your grass mix. Clover keeps your yard looking green during dry periods and produces nitrogen to help fertilize the soil. It also keeps other weeds at bay AND feeds our beloved bees.



Saturday Games Night: BINGO

Game Night: Saturday, May 1st is the first Saturday of the month: it's time for another round of Silent B-I-NGO, from 4 PM - 6 PM at Paddy's virtual Place. Ellen Carpentier will start us off with a review of ASL for those who wish that, and by 4:30 PM the game will be underway. (If you are not up to speed with ASL, you can still play: Ellen will show written cards indicating the call.) Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4426861398>



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 Sandi Tennyson via [ZOOM \(Click HERE for link\)](#) around 11:30 AM.

Join Fr. Hersey and me for [Coffee and Conversation](#) 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 4 PM.

Alternatively, join a virtual small Women's group, [Encountering God](#), which gathers online on Thursdays at 11 AM. This is a sixty-minute women's reflection group led by Lisa Dennison and Deanna Tighe.

Join our Thursday Evening [Carbon Footprint Discussion Group](#) at 7 PM via Zoom.

There is an opportunity to join Games Night on the 1st and 3rd Saturday 6 PM - 8 PM each month. **The next event will be on May 1st.**

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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