



**"The hand of the Lord
feeds us; he answers
all our needs"**

- Psalm 145

Registration for Mass No Longer Required!



Youth Group Agape Family Service Project Week in Bellingham and Skagit County

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Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

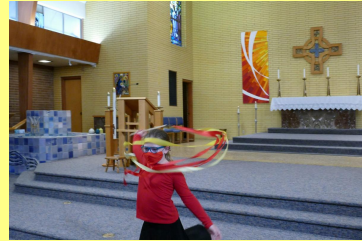
The story may be one of Jesus' most breathtaking miracles, but the Church uses the Gospel of the loaves and fishes this week to launch a month of the Bread of Life Discourse from John's Gospel. This may be the year of St. Mark's Gospel in the Church. But the Church likes to break out the Gospel of John whenever it gets serious. And for the next five weeks, we will be taking a deep dive into one of Jesus' most important teachings: the Eucharist as the bread of life. In his beautiful Pastoral Letter entitled *The Work of Redemption*, Archbishop Paul D. Etienne calls us to go deeper in our understanding of the Eucharist and its "inexhaustible source of grace, the Paschal Mystery of Christ's dying and rising daily renewed for our salvation and for the salvation of the whole world." When it comes to the Eucharist, we can always go deeper.

Peace...

View all of Deacon Dennis homilies by [clicking here](#)

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 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Psalm Ps 145:10-11; Second Reading Eph 4:1-6; Gospel Jn 6:1-15

Important Parish Update

If you missed last weekend's update on my meeting with Archbishop Etienne and Bishop Mueggenborg, please check it out on YouTube here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q7vp8pW7cX4>. The conversation starts at around 1:13:30 in the video. Please let me know if you have any questions after watching it. For now, we await the Archbishop's response to our meeting. Please continue praying for an acceptable outcome for our parish community.



Mass COVID Guidelines

With the delta variant of the coronavirus emerging in Washington, after consultation with the AD and careful discernment by the St. Pat's Liturgy Commission, we are asking all people to remain masked at Mass. The good news is we will now be allowed to sing with the choir as the hymnals will return to the pews. Thank you for helping keep the vulnerable members of our community safe from the spread of COVID 19.



George Keefe Memorial Service

Please join us as we give thanks to God for the life of

George Keefe. The funeral at St. Patrick Catholic Church will be held on Thursday, July 29th at 10:30AM (Note: New Time). There will be no reception following the service. Fr. Pat will preside and Fr. Bryan will give the homily. There will also be a graveside at Holyrood in Shoreline (205 NE 205th St, Shoreline, WA 98155) around 1PM.



Catholic Relief Services News

Our local chapter of Catholic Relief Services is busy advocating for increased international poverty-reducing development and humanitarian aid for the Fiscal year 2022 and gearing up for meetings with our members of Congress and Senators in August. Many of us have also been busy writing letters to the editor of various publications, in order to bring awareness to the need for increased aid, especially as a result of Covid-19.

One of our chapter members and Christ Our Hope parishioner, Judy Davis, was selected to have her letter to the editor published! Congrats to Judy and thanks for your efforts! Go to www.seattletimes.com/opinion/letters-to-the-editor/pandemics-fallout-vaccines-are-not-enough/

Putting our faith into action to help the worlds poorest create lasting change

In August, Catholic Relief Services (www.crs.org) Chapters in Washington will be meeting virtually via Zoom with our Washington Senators (*Senator Maria Cantwell and Senator Patty Murray*), and our Representatives in select congressional districts only (*district 1-Suzan DelBene, district 2-Rick Larsen, district 6-Derek Kilmer, district 7-Pramila Jayapal, district 9-Adam Smith, district 10-Marilyn Strickland*).



As constituents and supporters of Catholic Relief Services (CRS), we want to connect with our Senators and members of Congress about the need to promote policies that ensure our brothers and sisters on the move (refugees and immigrants) can exercise their right to lead dignified lives and ultimately thrive. The threat and spread of COVID-19 only exacerbate the challenges we face—almost 80 million people are forcibly displaced around the world, 26 million of whom are refugees, and we anticipate 270 million people to require emergency food assistance this year.

In our meetings, we will urge our senators and members of Congress to ensure the highest funding levels possible for poverty-reducing international development and humanitarian assistance in the Fiscal Year 2022 Federal Budget. We will also strongly urge Congress to maintain the Helms Amendment in Fiscal Year 2022 appropriations, which prohibits the use of U.S.-funded foreign assistance for abortion. If you would like to attend a meeting, please contact Kelly Hickman, kellyhickmanmats@gmail.com, and provide her your zip code, and we will communicate the date and time for the zoom meetings.

"Whenever we do something together, something good, something beautiful, everyone changes. All of us change in some way and this does us good." - Pope Francis

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 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.

A new **Games Night** schedule is being developed for August and beyond. More information to come in the coming weeks.

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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