

"I love you, Lord, my strength"

Psalm 18

Registration for Mass No Longer Required!



Thank you to our Youth Group and leader Mickey Dunn for holding monthly Children's Liturgy of the Word for our younger parishioners

"Love God. Love neighbor."

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

Jesus' message this week is simple and easy to remember. His words echoed deeply with the Jewish people. Our Lord is asked by a scribe of the law what is the greatest commandment? Jesus offers what we hear in the first reading, what is called in the book of Deuteronomy the Shema: Love God with your everything – heart, soul, mind, and strength. But he then adds a most important footnote: Love your neighbor as yourself. Some may want to justify themselves by asking, "And who is my neighbor?" But that's for another Gospel and another time. Jesus wants to boil the onerous 613 Laws of Moses down to their essence. And command us to live them in our daily lives. The Way of Jesus is hard, but our Lord wants us to easily understand the demands of his ministry and put them into action.

Peace... Dcn. Dennis Kelly Pastoral Coordinator

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 <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.)

Sunday Readings:

(You can also access them here)

First Reading Dt 6:2-6; Psalm 18:2-4,47,51; Second Reading Hebrews 7:23-28; Gospel Mark 12:28b-34

Important Parish Update

We had a few last minute hard-copy/written survey stragglers that delayed the close of our survey. But last Sunday it was officially closed. Our professional questionnaire creator will spend the next week or so analyzing the responses and preparing a written report to the Advocates. Once we have this in hand we will share the details with you. Thank you for your patience. The goal was to include as many voices as possible. We had nearly 200 responses.



The Advocates value your input and will use this information to guide our community in the best way possible. So, thank you for taking part in this important survey for our future!

A Word of Thanks!





We thank Elaine Clark and Sandi Tennyson and all the presenters for the

amazing forum How to Have a Good Death, which was held virtually last Sunday! It was informative and powerful work, and we all appreciate the hours and hours of time that went into preparing for this. Look for a recording of the event to be posted soon!

Climate Change: Extinction level threats and hopeful solutions

All are welcome to participate in the 19th Annual Multifaith

Community Summit - an online event on Sunday, October 31st from 2 PM - 4:30 PM. This gathering will be of interest to climate change and environmental justice activists. View Flyer <u>HERE</u>.

Hear from leaders of various faiths, including First Peoples, Buddhist, Jewish, and Christian, as they share how their faith tradition calls them to act on climate change. Learn from climate activists about tools and resources that science has provided to



help us begin to implement practical solutions to the climate crisis. Join in dialogue with others to explore real possibilities for meaningful action that we can take now, individually and together, to tackle the climate challenges. More information at: <u>www.northwestinterfaith.org/contact</u>.

Let's experience this gathering together and use it to invigorate our St Pat's commitment to climate and environmental justice. *PRE-REGISTER (DEADLINE IS TOMORROW)* at: <u>https://climatechange.bpt.me</u>

Fall Work Party

The Facilities Committee welcomes you to our **St**. **Patrick's Fall Work Party** on Saturday, November 20th, from 9:30 AM to 1 PM. Please come and lend a helping hand to spruce up our church with yard work and fall cleaning. Meet downstairs at the Social Hall (aka Paddy's Place) beforehand for coffee, tea, and assignments. Feel free to bring treats to share.



Any amount of time you donate will be appreciated. Don't forget to bring your mask. Of course, unvaccinated parishioners are also welcomed. We will follow whatever health protocols are in place at the time. Please contact Mike Wagner at <u>mike.wagner.mw@gmail.com</u> if you have questions.

Update from Liturgy Committee

It is that time of year when we especially remember our beloved ancestors and loved ones who have gone before us. Starting this Sunday the 31st, and during the month of November, you are invited to bring a photo of someone who has died for our high altar, where it will be beautifully decorated. We thank Marta Buell and Marta Santos for this cherished tradition of decorating our high altar!



Thank you, Jani Kelly, Josephinum resident and Christ Our Hope parishioner for sharing her talent for writing poetry with this poem we approach Halloween:

CARDED ON HALLOWEEN!

It was the midnight of Halloween, and Nary a Ghost was to be seen! Even the Goblins could not be found, and

From the Howling Werewolves.... There was not a sound. But All the Witches were angry and in a BIG Frothing stew, Busy stirring up and sipping their Famous Halloween Brew!, and Frankenstein and poor Igor were steaming in their wrathful pouts, while The overheated Jack-O-Lanterns LOUDLY SCREAMING OUT, Managed to blow every single candle out! By now the Frightened Mummy was Totally FREAKED-OUT, and Completely Unraveled, leaving icky "gifts" of Winding Tape, Wherever he traveled. So WHY then on Halloween, their ALL Favorite Party-Time, Oh WHY, were these Monster-Friends, putting up such a BIG Whine? Well as Sir Dracula tells the story, the Great Bacchanal was about to begin, and Every Monster who was Anyone, was there for the Spin. But Monsters without Vaccination Cards. Would not be allowed in! TOMORROW then, the poor Monster Friends cried. "We'll All go see Dr. Jeckell, (when he's not Mr. Hyde), and Get shots of His New Vaccine, that no one's Ever tried!" But the Frightened Mummy spoke up and asked, "Do you really think that's wise?" "Oh you poor Mummy," his friends all cried. "It will be so quick and simple, like a Kid on a slide singing rhythm songs, and With Dr. Jeckell as our physician, what could possibly go wrong?"

Jani Kelly

National Vocation Awareness

National Vocation Awareness Week, celebrated November 7-13, 2021, is an annual weeklong celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. You can find Prayers for Vocations. HERE.

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.

Dr. David and Ruth Ard host a weekly scripture study group, **<u>Breaking Open The Word</u>** on Wednesday afternoons at 4 PM.

Alternatively, join a virtual small Women's group, <u>Encountering God</u>, 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 more information is to come soon.

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

