

"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul"

- Psalm 25, 4-5,8-9,10,14

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Saying Goodbye to our brother Dennis Ortlbad. May he rest in peace.

I hope you and yours had a Happy Thanksgiving

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

We have so much to be thankful for despite the pandemic. I, myself, am thankful for many things. I am grateful for you and this parish family. I am thankful for my own family and friends. I am grateful for my health and the health of others. I am even thankful for challenges in this life as they teach me valuable lessons. There is a song that addresses this, written by a prophetic female singer named Alanis Morissette who penned it while on a sabbatical to India. Here are some of the lyrics:

"Thank you India, thank you terror Thank you disillusionment Thank you frailty, thank you consequence Thank you, thank you, silence."

Fr. Bryan and I had a tradition in our previous parish of doing themed homilies

during Advent and Lent. We are launching this tradition here this year as we focus on an important topic: "Being beacons of Hope in Uncertain Times." As we welcome back our sisters and brothers who have been away since the pandemic, we will explore the riches of the Christian tradition in finding hope in all things. I look forward to you joining us in person if you are able.

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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 <u>YouTube</u> (Masses posted within 24 hrs.)

Sunday Readings: (You can also access them here)

1st Reading Jer 33:14-16; Ps. 25:4-5,8-9,10,14; 2nd Reading 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Gospel Lk 21:25-28,34-36

Important Parish Update

Thank you for joining us after Mass in-person and on Zoom last weekend for the presentation of the results of the community survey. If you did not receive an email with the full survey report, please let Laura (<u>lauradavidash@aol.com</u>) know and we will get you a copy.



And please join us on Monday, December 13th, at 7 PM, for a community-wide meeting on Zoom to discuss the report and recommended next steps. Details coming soon with the Zoom link.

In addition, as St. Pat's continues its solidarity with the other parishes slated for closure (St. Mary's and Mt. Virgin), we have been asked to pray for St. Mary's as they meet with Archbishop Etienne on Nov. 29 to plead their case to stay open. We ask for your prayers that the Archbishop listens to the members of St. Mary's to keep their multi-cultural, bilingual community together.

News from the Liturgy Commission

Thank you to all who brought photos of their loved ones for our high altar during the month of November. As we enter our Advent Season, we encourage you to take your photos home. They will be lovingly stored in our back vesting room in the meantime.

CRS & Fair Trade Christmas Shopping

Are you worried about the supply chain issues interfering with your Christmas shopping? Shop early and ethically with Serrv. Serrv has beautiful, handcrafted items from

local artisans that will make the perfect gifts to share. 20% of your online order will be donated to Catholic Relief Services (CRS) if you shop via the Serv link <u>HERE</u>.

Annual Advent Festival

Come one, come all to our <u>Annual Advent Festival</u> on Sunday, November 28th after our 10:30 AM Sunday Mass!! Festivities of wreath making and apple cider will happen on the front porch of the Church. If you have wreath-making materials, greens, or candles at home, please bring them. In addition, we are also collecting hats,

gloves, and socks for our Sacred Encounter Ministry. We look forward to seeing you!

Advent Youth Mass & Night

All Jr. High and H.S. youth from the South Seattle Deanery are welcome to St. Patrick Parish, 2702 Broadway East on Saturday, December 4th, from 5 PM - 8:30 PM for a youth-oriented mass followed by a FREE catered dinner (weather permitting outside under tents).

Attend the Youth Mass at St. Pat's and be inspired by Joe Cotton, Archdiocesan Director of Pastoral Care & Outreach. Joe Cotton is a former youth minister and chaplain with incarcerated youth will invite us to reflect on our Advent Journey & call to Social Justice.

All Archdiocesan COVID protocols will be in effect; Masks are to be worn at all times except when eating outside. For information & R.S.V.P. Contact St. Patrick's Youth Minister Mickey Dunn: <u>dunnmick@yahoo.com</u> Additional information can be found on this <u>FLYER</u> also.

Wednesday Night Movie Night

The next two weeks, St Pat's Movie Night will present "*The Women the Vatican Couldn't Silence*", a conversation with former Irish President Mary McAleese







and the well-known feminist nun Sister Joan Chittister. Because this conversation, with questions from the audience, is quite long, we will break the presentation into two parts in order to have room for our discussion and there will certainly be discussion as issues raised in the conversation are alive in our parish and there are



things we can consider doing. Part 1 will be on Wednesday, December 1st and Part 2 will be shown on December 8th.

The official announcement for this presentation from Nov 2019, reads:

Voices of Faith, *We are Church Ireland*, and the School of Religion in Trinity College present two leading Catholic women in a public conversation to overcome the silence on issues that affect Catholics today and must be openly discussed for the future of an inclusive, egalitarian and harmonious Church. Former Irish President Mary McAleese and feminist nun Sister Joan Chittister have both experienced attempts by the Catholic hierarchy to silence their voices. In this conversation, for the first time ever, these two courageous women come together to discuss their views on the many issues besetting our Church today and the possible solutions for change.

Join us on Wednesday, Dec 1st & Dec. 8th, at our usual Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87671456490?pwd=R09WSENPMWFwMndZRnFVZjJxZ3J2UT09



Care for Creation Gift Idea

Looking for a Christmas gift for someone who is hard to buy for? Gift them and the environment with **RIDWELL:** a recycling program in almost every city in Washington state. Items are picked up every two weeks and include plastic films (plastic bags etc), batteries, light bulbs, threads, and a featured item. Will also take styrofoam and paint for a small additional fee. The cost is \$120 for a year. You can also split costs with a few neighbors. https://www.ridwell.com/join/seattle

Care for Creation Webinar

Maryknoll Sisters in Panama are living Pope Francis' call to care for God's creation! As baptized Christians, we too are being called!



All are welcome to join a 60-minute online interactive webinar to experience how one community of missioners is caring for our earth in the beautiful and abundant country of Panama. Sister Jocelyn Fenix, MM shares her community's commitment to radically living out the call of Laudato Si in Panama and trains others as well through giving alternative health workshops to local lay leaders. The webinar will take place on December 7th at 12 PM PST. You can register <u>HERE</u>.

Memorial Service For Kathleen Cunningham

We will gather to remember parishioner Kathleen Cunningham, who passed away at the beginning of COVID. Her family is planning a beautiful service, and all are invited to attend St. Patrick Church on Saturday, December 18th at 11 AM. Here's a link to her obituary **HERE**.



Advent Calendar of Events

Advent Morning Prayer

8 AM Friday, December 3, 10, 17 with final Advent Morning Prayer on December 24th.

Advent Morning Prayer will be available as a shared offering with Christ Our Hope via **Zoom**.

Madre de las Américas Mother of the Americas

11:30 AM Entrance of Dancers 12:10 PM Saturday, Dec. 4th Mass with Bishop Elizondo at St. James Cathedral.

Advent Youth Mass

5 PM - 8:30 PM All are welcome to St. Patrick Parish for a youth-oriented mass followed by a free catered dinner.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7 PM Wednesday, December 8. Fr. Bryan Hersey will be the presider at a special Holy Day of Obligation (Opportunity) Mass at St. Patrick.

Our Lady of Guadalupe/ Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Sunday, December 12th Our community will come together at this celebration in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Mother of the Americas.

Lessons and Carols

SAVE THE DATE: We will have our annual Lessons and Carols on Zoom, Wednesday, December 15th at 7 PM. Zoom details to come soon.

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 <u>Carbon Footprint Discussion Group</u> 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.

