



**"Proclaim his
marvelous deeds to
all the nations"**

- Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10

Complete Stewardship of Treasure Pledge [HERE](#)



May this beauty remain in our hearts all year long!

Supporting Our Community during these challenging times

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

This weekend we hear about the wedding at Cana. Weddings during the pandemic have been especially difficult for young people. Limitations on crowd size, lack of venues for post nuptial parties, masks required for participants who come from parts of the country where masks are seen as a political statement. Many couples postponed their weddings as a result. Just as Jesus was present at the wedding at Cana, so is he present here in our community as we struggle to

care for the needs of all. That is why this week we made some **changes to our liturgy** to ensure everyone's safety. We are **discontinuing congregational singing**. **Choirs and chorales are on hold for now, only a single cantor and accompanists**. Some of the **music may be a little unfamiliar** for a while to discourage singing along. We are also **postponing in-Mass baptisms** to allow us to keep our Mass times to under an hour. We just don't know enough about the spread of this new variant. But we have seen an uptick in COVID+ in our own communities, so an abundance of caution is the best course of action. Thank you for your understanding.

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 [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.)

The scripture readings for the upcoming Mass can be found [here](#)

First reading: Is 62:1-5; Psalm 96; Second Reading 1 Cor 12:4-11; Gospel: John 2:1-11

Update from the Advocates

Here are the Advocate's recommended four paths forward needing further exploration and contacts:

St. Joe's - Peggy O'Brien-Murphy (pom949@msn.com)

Canon Law - Paul Sampson (pdsampson@comast.net)

Alternative Faith Community - Catholic / Christian - Kevin O'Keeffe
(kevinokeeffe@mac.com)

Deaf and Deaf/Blind Needs - Jennifer Huxtable (littleladyhuxy4@gmail.com).

Please take time to consider which path you would like to put your energy into and contact the lead person to participate. Thank you.

Synodal Listening Sessions





While we live in this time of unprecedented challenge and uncertainty, facing an unfair threat to our future parish existence, the Synodal process envisioned by Pope Francis offers us an opportunity to *listen deeply to each other* about the aspirations we each have about being, *together*, disciples of Jesus. No matter the worldwide outcome of this process offered by Pope Francis, Synodal Listening is a meaningful way for our own community to share our faith and to build and affirm our own sense of identity and calling. So, we ask for your timely consideration of this first resource:

[Nine-Minute video on Synodality by Sister Barbara Reid](#) (Grand Rapids Dominican Sisters)
What a Labor of Love is Listening! "Being listened to is so close to being loved that most people can't tell the difference." An **introductory learning session on Synodal Listening is scheduled Sunday January 23 at 2pm via Zoom (link will be in next week's email)**.
During this weekend and coming week, contemplate and ask these questions of your family members and closest friends (whether parishioners or not):

- How have you experienced the Holy Spirit in your life?
 - In what ways do you experience the Holy Spirit working in Saint Patrick Church?
- It is easy and most comfortable to begin conversations with family and friends, then widening circles to ask these questions from each and every member of the Saint Patrick's L'Arche Community, the Deaf-blind Community, LGBTQ Community, immigrant families, every child, teenager and minor, every home-bound parishioner, every adult parishioner, even friends and family who have left Saint Patrick Church or the Catholic Church entirely.

Our formalized response to Pope Francis will be gathered from *one-on-one Listening with each other* and *parish-wide Synodal Listening sessions*. On **January 30, February 13, March 20, and April 7**, we'll endeavor to address these two questions from Pope Francis:

- How is our Journeying Together happening in Saint Patrick Church?
- How is the Holy Spirit inviting us to Grow in our Journeying Together?

We hope to have at least 20 Listeners and another 20 Scribes, so that Synodal break-out groups can be small enough, ensuring every voice is heard. After hearing a Response, a designated Listener would offer to share in their own words another's Response, asking, then pausing, in order to ensure our mutual understanding. Listener's confirmations in understanding individual Responses will facilitate accurate documentation of *each and every Voice* of the Holy Spirit by parish Scribes. Upon our parish-wide review and approval, a final document will be submitted to the chancery by May 6, 2022.

If you are already inspired to join this Synodal process as a Listener and/or a Scribe, contact Jackie (jamcwalter@aol.com) or Ann (mescher6@yahoo.com). Please include throughout these coming months your prayers as well for our 2022 Saint Patrick Church Synodal Listening.

The Pastoral Council Needs You!

The pastoral council is inviting you to serve St. Patrick's in a leadership capacity. The role of the council is to continue to work with the various ministries in supporting the mission of the parish and the work of the parish synod held in October 2020. We need your voice, your

Donate To University District Food Bank



Bring a non-perishable food item for the University Food Bank donation barrel in the vestibule area of St. Patrick's. Every month the University Food Bank helps more than 1,300 different families with nutritionally balanced foods.

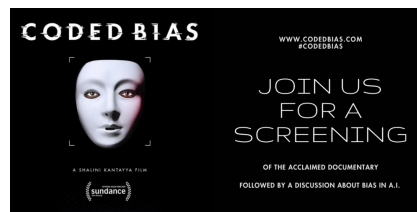
Ordinary Time and Cycle C

On January 10th we returned to Ordinary Time. "Ordinary" comes from the word "ordinal" as in "ordinal numbers." In other words, "Ordinary Time" means Sundays that have numbers in their titles. The opposite of "Ordinary Time" is not "extraordinary time" but "seasons that have names," like Advent or Lent. Sundays are so important to Christians, one should never think that a Sunday in Ordinary Time is "ordinary" (i.e. plain or not extraordinary) because every Sunday is extraordinary.

This year we are in what's known as "Year C" and our readings are primarily drawn from the Gospel of Luke. Luke's Gospel is known for its focus on women (especially Mary), Gentiles (non-Jews) and other "outsiders." There is also an emphasis on healing, mercy, and food.

Wednesday Movie Night

St Pat's Movie Night returns this coming Wednesday, January 19th, with the acclaimed documentary Coded Bias. Coded Bias follows M.I.T. Media Lab computer scientist Joy Buolamwini, along with data scientists, mathematicians, and watchdog groups from all over the world, as they fight to expose the discrimination within facial recognition algorithms now prevalent across all spheres of daily life.



Modern society sits at the intersection of two crucial questions: What does it mean when artificial intelligence increasingly governs our liberties? And what are the consequences for the people AI is biased against? When MIT Media Lab researcher Joy Buolamwini discovers that many facial recognition technologies do not accurately detect darker-skinned faces or classify the faces of women, she delves into an investigation of widespread bias in algorithms. As it turns out, artificial intelligence is not neutral, and women are leading the charge to ensure our civil rights are protected.

Join us on Wednesday, Jan. 19th, on [our usual zoom link](#), for viewing and discussion.

Volunteers needed!

We have many great avenues for sharing information including our website, email mailings, and the connection board. For some of our parishioners, technology can be a barrier to access. We want to ease that barrier through communication partners. If you have an hour or two available and enjoying chatting on the phone, we need you! We are looking for volunteers who are willing to call up a few of our parishioners each week and share with them the news from the bulletin, announcements, and letters from Laura. Interested? Contact Laura

CARE for CREATION presents... FAIR-WEATHER WALKS



Weather permitting, bundle up and join members of St. Patrick's Care for Creation group at the Labyrinth from 9:45 AM -10:15 AM on Sunday mornings. Light rain or mist okay: bring umbrella. Cancel if snow, heavy rain or wind. We'll start with Jim Clark's morning prayer ritual, then walk the labyrinth. If time permits we'll take a meditative stroll through Roanoke Park, with attention to birds, trees, mushrooms, creeping creatures or anything else:... the Roanoke Park phase could also be a point of social connection... Starts Sunday, January 16th, with the intent of carrying this out through February. See you there!!

Sister Parish Fundraiser- Women's Night 'In'!



The continuing pandemic prevents us from getting together in person, but our Sister Parish Workgroup would like to extend a special invitation to all St. Pat's women to join our St. Pat's Women's Night 'IN' to benefit our community of Nueva Trinidad. Our Zoom gathering is set for Friday, January 21st from 7 PM - 8:30 PM, and for a suggested donation of only \$25.00, you will enjoy a delightful evening of conversation with one another, a brief update from our sister parish, and other surprises! While we can't enjoy food and fellowship in person, we are sure you will be fed by the warm, generous company of one another knowing that you are helping Nueva Trinidad during a very vulnerable time. Please email Lisa Dennison to sign up at lisa2karl@aol.com and Lisa will send you more information and a Zoom link!

Hidden Mercy - Catholic Responses to the Aids Epidemic

pre-register at <https://hiddenmercy.bpt.me>

St Pat's and St Joe's LGBTQ ministries invite you to our *Hidden Mercy* Book Group! Feb 2nd and 9th at 7PM via ZOOM. *Hidden Mercy* tells stories of Catholic responses to the AIDS epidemic. The author, Michael O'Loughlin, is coming to Seattle U to talk about his book on 2/16 at 7pm. He sent his book to Pope Francis. The Pope's loving response was published in America magazine. We'd like a chance for anyone interested to come together to talk about *Hidden Mercy* before Michael O'Loughlin's talk. *Hidden Mercy* is available at Elliott Bay Books and coming to Oh Hello Again book store (324 15th Ave East). You can contact John Dunn 206/604-6627 (text only) or Chris Galloway 206/450-4971 (text only), with any questions.

If you don't read the book, or even if you do, you might want to listen to Mr O'Loughlin's podcast, Plague: untold stories AIDS and the Catholic Church. The podcast was the inspiration for the book *Hidden Mercy*. The podcast includes the voices and stories of people the author interviewed. Powerful and very moving.

In any case, we'd love to have you join our first ever, two-parish joint venture book study. All are welcome!

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, [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.

A new **Games Night** schedule is being developed more information is to come soon.

Saturday Works Party from 9 AM to Noon weekly! Are you available to volunteer? Please email [Mike Wagner](#).

Please email [Deanna Tighe](#) if you have questions about these events or ideas on other ways you would like to engage.

Visit our website

Donate Online

