

"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

Psalm 34

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Moving our community forward...

"Brothers and sisters, we all are sinners."

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

This weekend we hear one of the best stories in the bible: The Prodigal Son. Jesus uses this story to remind us of God's desire to be reconciled with all humanity. Many people in the time of Jesus had turned away from God or had imbued God with human instincts of judgement and condemnation (sound familiar). Jesus flipped this thinking on its head and reminded all of us that God is like the father in the parable so excited to see his son on the horizon coming back to him. Brothers and sisters, we all are sinners. We all should seek God's forgiveness for our offenses. Even if we think we are without sin, deep down we know there are some things (behaviors, thoughts, actions, etc.) God might have a problem with. We must always remember to run back to the loving arms of God and ask forgiveness for our offenses. And most importantly to be repentant and seek God with our whole heart, mind, and soul as we strive to have clean hearts.

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.)

The scripture readings for the upcoming Mass can be found HERE

1st reading: Jos 5:9a, 10-12 Ps Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7. 2nd Reading 2 Cor 5:17-21; Gospel: Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Masks or Optional

We will remain masked for now. The result of the survey was 80% remain masked, 20% optional. I have had a few requests from people to not mask due to chronic health issues. I believe we can accommodate these limited requests. Let's look at this issue again after Easter and see if we want to modify our approach.



Thanks! Deacon Dennis

Advocates Update

We will gather for a **Community Discussion** this coming **Monday night at 7PM** on **Zoom** as we process the latest developments in our parish discernment about the future.



Here is the Advocate's agenda for Monday's Community Discussion:

- **1) Welcome and Opening Prayer** 5 min
- 2) Recent Developments, New Information, Next Steps 20 min
 - Recent Developments
 - Deacon Dennis officially retires as fulltime pastoral coordinator of Christ Our Hope and St. Patrick on June 30th
 - Deacon Dennis will become part time pastoral coordinator July 1st until completion of the merger/closure process (to happen no later than the end of the year)
 - St. Patrick's will officially separate from Christ Our Hope, effective July 1st
 - Deanna Tighe will become pastoral coordinator of COH July 1st
 - New Information
 - The music director position is coming open at St. Joe's in the next 3-6 months and Laura is considering it
 - Alternative community will not be allowed to use the church facilities

- · Assets would be "put in mothballs" during a Canon Law process
- Archbishop Etienne has ultimate control over use of the assets even if we "win" the Canon Law challenge
- Next Steps
 - Discernment conversations with St. Joe's start on 3/29
 - Deacon Dennis is writing a letter to Archbishop Etienne explaining that the community is discerning four (potentially intersecting) paths
 - Advocates are writing a letter to Archbishop Etienne requesting a meeting with him
 - In the Advocate letter and meeting, we will lay out our argument to keep St. Patrick's open and present the elements of our Canon Law case
 - Starting July 1st, the Archbishop expects that our community will start the process of shutting down St. Patrick's
- 3) Small Group Discussions 30 min
- 4) Report Back to Large Group 30 min
- 5) Closing Song 3 min

Here is the Zoom link information for the meeting:

(https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89884455227?pwd=MIRqVkVTcIIIMmZmcmRQVU96UHlpdz09)

Or on phone:

Meeting ID: 898 8445 5227 Passcode: 703637 One tap mobile +12532158782,,89884455227#,,,,*703637# US (Tacoma)

Or dial by your location on your Phone

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) +1 929 436 2866 US (New York) Meeting ID: 898 8445 5227 Passcode: 703637

We look forward to seeing everyone on Monday night.

Synodal Listening Sessions

Our Synodal Listening Sessions continue. If you have yet to participate, we welcome your participation at our upcoming Listening sessions **Sunday April 3rd at 2:00 PM or Thursday April 7th at 7:00 PM**. Please see next week's email for the associated Zoom links.



Please contact **Ann Mescher** at mescher6@yahoo.com or **Jackie McWalter-Huff** at jmcwalterhuff@gmail.com **for more information**.

Inspired by stories already shared, **Sharie Bowman** is collecting personal reflections at StPats.Sharie@gmail.com. Personal reflections in advance of parish-wide sessions are intended to facilitate listening with thankfulness in our own hearts.



Tune in now on the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord as Pope Francis calls on the church throughout the world to join in prayer, consecrating Russia and Ukraine to the

Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Pope Francis has said: "Nearly a month has passed since the outbreak of the war in Ukraine that is daily inflicting immense suffering upon its sorely tried people and threatening world peace. At this dark hour, the Church is urgently called to intercede before the Prince of Peace and to demonstrate her closeness to those directly affected by the conflict." Please join the Holy Father and the Church throughout the world in prayer for Russia and Ukraine on livestream on <u>Vimeo</u> or on our Facebook page. You can find more information about the Consecration at the Cathedral on the archdiocese website by clicking the link below; <u>https://archseattle.org/event/pray-for-peace-and-the-consecration-of-russia-and-ukraine-to-the-immaculate-heart-of-mary/</u>

Wednesday Movie Night

We continue with our Lenten Wednesday Movie Night series. (after a pause for this week's Wednesday Lenten Reflection Service) with episodes 5 & 6 of the first season of "The Chosen," the well-received, crowd-funded series about the life of Jesus. Don't worry if you missed



the earlier episodes. You can watch on your own at the series website (https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen) in order to be introduced to Mary Magdalen, the fishermen Andrew & Simon, Matthew the tax collector, and Nicodemus, the Pharisee and member of the Sanhedrin. Then join us for viewing and discussion of these next two episodes. There is also supplementary material on the series website, including a "Biblical Roundtable" on each episode with the Catholic, Jewish, and Protestant advisors of the producer of the series (himself an Evangelical). So, this Lent, come and see Jesus through the eyes of those that met him.

Join us this Wednesday, March 30, at 7pm, on our usual zoom link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87671456490? pwd=R09WSENPMWFwMndZRnFVZjJxZ3J2UT09

Episode 5: The Wedding Gift: Nicodemus interrogates John the Baptizer while Jesus and his students make their way to a wedding celebration in Cana. When the wine runs low, Mary asks her son to intervene on behalf of the bridegroom's family.

Episode 6: Indescribable Compassion: After witnessing the healing of a leper on the road to Capernaum, a woman forces her paralytic friend through the crowd to meet Jesus.

Driven By A Dream

Malnutrition is widespread in Rwanda, but Gloriose and her husband are doing everything they can to keep their children healthy and set them up for success. From learning to grow a kitchen garden to participating in a micro-savings group, Gloriose and Karekezi know it



takes many resources to help their children thrive. How have you helped others access what they need this Lent? Visit **crsricebowl.org** to learn more.

Lenten Cooking, Cocktails & Community

Join us for the second Lenten Cooking, Cocktails & Community **TONIGHT** at 5:30 PM on **Zoom**!

As we get deeper into Lent, let's pray, fast and give alms together. We're pairing the **<u>simple CRS Rice Bowl recipes</u>** with a simple cocktail and mocktail recipe that you can make at home.



Our second gathering will be hosted by Christ Our Hope's Sam

Sweeney and the Tahoma CRS Chapter's J.L. Drouhard! <u>Attached</u> are the ingredients for the Dahl Recipe from Bangladesh, along with ingredients for a simple yoghurt pairing courtesy of Christ Our Hope's David Ard.

Also, **Save The Date** for the FINAL Lenten Cooking, Cocktails & Community **next Friday**, **April 8th at 5:30 PM**.

Can you participate in Coffee Hour and hospitality re-start?

How about socializing in person! Although St. Patrick's future is uncertain, now that it's become safer to gather, let us organize to mindfully and safely re-start coffee hour. Adequate volunteer support to resume this needs to be established. Parish council invites you to participate in two ways. First: one or two people (or a committee) are needed to manage organization (decisions, scheduling, inventory, etc.). Meeting time for anyone interested in management committee will be Thursday evening, March 31 via zoom. Second, additional volunteers are needed to carry out the activities associated with coffee hour.

For either aspect, if you would like to be involved in getting this rolling please contact **Jackie McWalter-Huff** at <u>jamcwalter@aol.com</u> or **Elaine Clark** at <u>eclarkpt2@gmail.com</u> by March 30. We look forward to your help!

Prayer Vigil With St. Mary's

St Mary's folks let us know they will be holding a prayer vigil outside the Archdiocesan offices every Wednesday at 3 PM. The address is 710 9th Ave. (Across the street from Skyline Assisted Living.)

The purpose is to be a visible sign of the people whose parishes the AB has decided to close. St. Pat's parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend. Posters and prayers welcome!

Lenten Youth Event St. Patrick Parish

4 PM - 7:30 PM Sunday, April 3, 2022

All Jr. High and H.S. youth from the South Seattle Deanery are welcome at St. Patrick Parish 2702 Broadway East to join our Lenten Youth Event. Award Winning Journalist Jeff Renner will lead us through a conversation and an interactive presentation on Climate



Anxiety and our call as Catholics in todays world. Join us for this free event. RSVP to Mickey Dunn, St. Patrick Youth Minister <u>dunnmick@yahoo.com</u> or call 206-344-6057. More details about the event can be found on the flyer <u>HERE</u>.

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.

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 <u>Mike Wagner</u>.

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

To help with **Sacred Encounters** visit our <u>Meal Train link</u> or email <u>Liza Neal</u> to see how you can help.

