

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

-<u>Psalm</u>118

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Palm Sunday at St. Patrick

"The resurrection is real in all our lives"

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

Recently I had a resurrection experience that felt like a golden burst of God's love for us. We lost a valued member of the St. Patrick community a few weeks ago. Carolyn Drobnicki was a core member of the L'Arche community on Capitol Hill and a treasured parishioner at St. Patrick. She was an active participant in our liturgies (she loved to dance). Her smile lit up the room. Carolyn was only 40 years old. When I was in deacon formation, during an interview at L'Arche for a pastoral placement assignment, Carolyn was the first core member I met. It was her first week at L'Arche and she was a little scared as she transitioned into the community. I shared that I was scared, too. Imagine my surprise when I arrived for the first Mass at St. Patrick in July 2019. Carolyn was one of the first people to greet and welcome me to the community. Carolyn's family asked that I serve at the graveside committal last week. My embrace from God was furthered when I realized Carolyn's final resting place is a few feet away from the final resting place of my baby sister, my father, and my beloved grandmother (she will be in good company). God is great and wonderful. And the resurrection is real in all our lives. Happy Easter.

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 <u>HERE</u>

1st reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; 2nd Reading: Col 3:1-4; Gospel: Jn 20:1-9

Advocates Update

We are told that the Advocates will soon get an audience with the Archbishop to share our story in hopes of changing his mind on his decision about St. Patrick. If we are grounding ourselves in reality, there has been no indication given that Archbishop will change his mind. But we



are still a people of hope and are about to enter the resurrection in our Church. Let us keep praying for our beloved community, and for the Holy Spirit to be present to guide us in the weeks and months ahead. We know there is new life in our future.

Easter Triduum Schedule

April 15, Good Friday

• 7 PM ASL Interpreted at St. Pat's

April 16, Easter Vigil

• 8 PM ASL Interpreted at St. Pat's

April 17, Easter Sunday

10:30 AM ASL Interpreted at St. Pat's

Easter Vigil Reception

Join us for a reception after the Easter Vigil on Saturday night. Please bring something to share (cheese plate, fruit or veggie tray, or sweets). We will have hot water for tea, decaf coffee, and something cold to drink. If you can help with cleanup that would be greatly

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended, but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda and commit to share our Easter



joy with those in our local community and around the world. **Please remember to bring in your Rice Bowl during Holy Week.** The Holy Thursday collection will go to the CRS Rice Bowl campaign this year. You can also give your Lenten donation on line by using <u>THIS</u> link. Please remember that if we raise \$5000 in donations this Lent, an anonymous donor has generously agreed to match the money, making a total donation of \$10,000! Please be generous!

EASTER DAWNING !

Awake O my Soul, GOD's Angel of the Dawn has Opened the Tomb of my Dark Night, and The SON of Eternal DAY is RISEN. The "Great Stone" that Blinded me from the CHRIST-LIGHT, Has been rolled away !



Rejoice O my Soul, The True LIGHT is Come ! To walk in this WISDOM-LIGHT of LOVE, Is to Embrace the steep mountain Path and the dry deserts of Life, While reaching out to help another, struggling on the WAY. With each step of Faith this WAY Opens before me. CHRIST's SPIRIT lifts me as He shares my burdens of pain, and Teaches me that I must too help bear the crosses of others, for we are "not two".

So Open Wide your Eyes O my Soul, The CHRIST is not hidden from us, His WISDOM and BEAUTY Shine through ALL Creation, and Is Mirrored in every passing face !

Praise the Lord O my Soul, The DAY of GOD's TRUTH is Always Dawning, and His Radiant LOVE is our Eternal JOY! May GOD's COMPASSION and MERCY Enlighten Every Heart, Mind, and Soul, That ALL who dwell on the Earth may Clearly SEE.

Look DEEPLY O my Soul, The Great "I AM", Shines within us, around us, and through us, Transforming and Transfiguring our Being into a "Vera Icon", our "True-Self-in-CHRIST", The "Perfect Image" ! Here we Shine in the Beloved SON ! His LOVE Illumines the Infinite, Omniscient, HEART of GOD, Whose Chosen Temples we are! OPEN Wide your Doors, O my Soul, Let the KING of GLORY Enter! Easter IS DAWNED !

Jani Kelly Christ Our Hope Parishioner and longtime Josephinum resident

Easter Flowers for 2022

Hello dear St Pat's parishioners! Some of you have asked about donating money for Easter flowers. All of us on the Environment Committee appreciate your generosity, which is the only way we have to finance flowers. We plan to do what we did last Easter, which is to use the left over



money we have from the Christmas poinsettia collection. Sandy can buy flowers wholesale, so she can save money. We had been saving money for new ordinary time banners when COVID happened and now our future is uncertain!? So we are spending all of our money!

We have enough money to buy all the flowers we need to make our Easter environment beautiful. Then after Easter, we plan to give the flowers to the people on our prayer list who are ill. We plan to do this on Sunday, April 24th. We will be in contact with the neighborhood leaders to find people to deliver the flowers with a card to those who are ill and live nearby. This way, those who are unable to be with us this Easter can share in the beauty of the season with the flowers.

Easter blessings, Sandy Sanford Environment Committee

Final Call For Sharing Your Memories and Stories

Sharie Bowman is collecting our heart-felt stories and feelings of St. Patrick's and will make them into a book for all. Please share your memories, stories and love of St. Patrick 's parish by sending them to Sharie at **stpats.sharie@gmail.com** by Friday, April 15. This is



the final deadline for this project. We would love to have as many submissions as possible!

Wednesday Movie Night

We will present an important new Care for Creation documentary, "The Story of Plastic" (https://www.storyofstuff.org/movies/the-storyof-plastic-documentary-film/) this coming



Wednesday after Easter, April 20. **The Story of Plastic** is a searing exposé revealing the ugly truth behind plastic pollution and the false solution of plastic recycling. Different from every other plastic documentary you've seen, **The Story of Plastic** presents a cohesive timeline of how we got to our current global plastic pollution crisis and how the oil and gas industry has successfully manipulated the narrative around it. From the extraction of fossil fuels and plastic disposal to the global resistance fighting back, **The Story of Plastic** is a life-changing, Emmy-winning film depicting one of the world's most pressing environmental

issues.

On Friday afternoon, April. 20, there will be a panel discussion and community conversation hosted by the Episcopal Church of Western Washington (<u>https://adultfaithformation.ecww.org/april-screening/</u>).

So, join us on Wednesday after Easter, April 20, at 7pm, for viewing and discussion on our usual zoom link:

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

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!

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.

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