



**"I will praise your name
forever, my king and my
God"**

Psalm: 145



Annette Huxtable receiving her First Communion at St. Patrick's last week

"Love one another "

Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,

In one of Jesus' last conversations with his disciples he gives them a new commandment: love one another. This love of each other has been the greatest connection to Jesus for over 2-thousand years. In his book, *Come Follow Me*, Bishop Daniel Mueggenborg wrote, "Jesus was sent to the world with the mission of making God known... In order to make God known, however, Jesus had to make love known because God is love. In order to make love known, Jesus chose the cross as the ultimate and perfect manifestation of God's love to the world. Only on Calvary could He show the depth of God's love for every person, even those who put Him to death, betrayed Him, abandoned Him, denied Him, and cursed Him." There is no greater love than this. To be followers of Christ, we must ask ourselves daily: How am I living out this love in my life and ministry?

Peace...

Dcn. Dennis Kelly

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](#)

1st reading: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-9,10-13; 2nd Reading: Rev 21:1-5a; Gospel: Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Advocates Update

The parish website now includes the PowerPoint presentation given to the Archbishop during our April 25 meeting, a copy of the Archbishop's April 29 letter reaffirming his decision to close our parish by July 1, and the Advocate's May 4 letter requesting until September to complete the process and expressing our disappointment in the lack of dialogue and consultation in the Archdiocesan process.



Several work groups have continued researching options as part of our discernment. You've recently heard from the Canon Law group. **Alternative Communities** and **St. Pat's/St. Joe's discernment groups** will present on **Sunday, May 22nd in Paddy's Place** and on **Coffee Hour Zoom**. Hope to see you there.

Next week you'll hear more about an upcoming survey to gauge where each of us are in our own discernment.

In prayer and love, **The St. Patrick Advocates**

Laura Ash Decision

"I want to share an important decision with this wonderful community of St. Patrick's. The music director at St. Joseph parish, whom I have known for years, approached me early in the year about the possibility of taking his place if and when St. Patrick should close and merge with St. Joseph, because he has decided to retire. Conversations have occurred throughout the following months with St. Joseph parish leaders. I want to let you know that through discernment, **I am feeling called towards St. Joe's** and am in awe that this opportunity is arising for me to continue in music ministry as we face the closure of St. Pats. This process has been greatly helped by the fact that I have been accompanying at the



Saturday and Sunday evening masses since last summer, and I have found a warm welcome there. The details of what the job will look like are still being worked out and the timeline is rather fluid, but I wanted to let you know what is in my heart and where I plan to be once we close. I continue to pray for all of us here at this beloved parish in this difficult time, and I know that the Spirit is with us! Love and peace to all!" - **Laura Ash**

Wednesday Night Movie Night

No movie night for the next two weeks while Paul Sampson is away. Movie Night will return in a few weeks.

Day of Advocacy

Catholics are called to heed Pope Francis' exhortation to "immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern."

Join Catholics from the parishes of the South Seattle Deanery to learn about Catholic Social Teaching on housing and homelessness and how we can raise our voices to advocate for our houseless neighbors and others who have been pushed to the margins by selfish and shortsighted public policy. No RSVP required! Park in the O'Dea High School parking lot or in the Cabrini Parking Garage. The event will take place on Saturday, May 14th at 9.30 AM in St. James' Cathedral Hall. More information can be found [HERE](#). Please email [Erin Maguire](#) if you have any questions.

Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL)



SEEL
Puget Sound

The Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL) is a 9 month retreat format of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius that goes from September through May. It is a dynamic program of prayer, monthly communal retreat mornings and individual spiritual direction. SEEL will offer a hybrid retreat in 2022-23 which currently consists of 2 in-person meetings (September and May) and online retreat mornings for the other seven retreat experiences. SEEL is accepting applications **now** for the program starting in late September and offers the retreat at no set fee so that all who are accepted can participate. SEEL offers a gentle structure to help you experience God's love and discern God's call in your life. Join us on this transforming pilgrim journey! For more information, please see our website at www.seelpugetsound.org. We will also host an online info session on Tuesday, May 31st from 7 PM - please email info@seelpugetsound.org to get the required Zoom link!

Second Annual Vigil for Social Justice



Join us to commemorate the 2nd anniversary of the murder of George Floyd. There will be time for personal reflection followed by an opportunity to recommit ourselves to working for racial justice. Gather at 6 PM on May 25th at Immaculate Conception Church, 820 18th Avenue, Seattle, 98112. Speakers Jeanette Rodriguez, Ph.D and Michael Ramos, MDiv will facilitate the "**Our Journey - A Vigil for Racial Justice**". We hope to see you there. Sponsored by South Seattle Deanery Racial Solidarity Committee. For more information or questions, contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at steve@stjosephparish.org or call 206.322.5970

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, [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.

To help with **Sacred Encounters** visit our [Meal Train link](#) or email [Liza Neal](#) to see how you can help.

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