



"Your words, Lord, are  
Spirit and life"

Psalm 19



Friends joining Elaine on a visit to Jim Clark's burial place in Herland Forest (Elaine, Robin, Lorraine, Sandy, and Kira). Paul is taking the picture.

"May we resist the temptation to limit the boundaries of our love for others"

**Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,**

This weekend we hear the story of the Good Samaritan. This parable is a favorite of many because it focuses on our human desire to find loopholes in practicing our faith. We all do it. Take the message of Jesus and shape it to our own view of the world. But Jesus is challenging the scholar of the Law and all of us to resist this temptation. Former Seattle Auxiliary Bishop Daniel Mueggenborg wrote about this in his book, *Come Follow Me*, "Some people in the ancient world of Jesus thought that a person's neighbor was limited to a member of their family, friends, community, or nation (see Lev 19:18). The lawyer wanted Jesus to draw the boundaries of whom he was obligated to love as his neighbor. Of course, the answer would also determine **whom he didn't have to love**. It can be easy for us to follow the example of the lawyer and to seek ways in which we limit our responsibility to care for others as well." May we resist the temptation to limit the boundaries of our love for others.

Peace...

**Dcn. Dennis Kelly**  
**Pastoral Coordinator**

## Sunday Online Mass Schedule

Mass will be hosted LIVE at 10:30 AM online via Facebook:

Private Facebook page:

If you have a Facebook account, use this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/stpatrickseattle/>

Public Facebook page:

If you do not have a Facebook account, use this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/stpatsseattle/>

\* 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: Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37; 2nd Reading: Col1:15-20; Gospel: Lk 10:25-37

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### [Important Update](#)

We expect to have the Archbishop's decree concerning St. Patrick's merger/closure by this weekend. I will read it at the end of Mass this Sunday and will follow up with an email to our community containing a digital copy. Paul Sampson also has requested an opportunity to update everyone on the Canonical challenge process and will do so after I read the decree at the end of Mass. If you are unable to join us in person, please join us online to hear this important news for our community. In addition, the Alternative community group will hold a meeting after Mass in Paddy's Place after coffee hour.



- Deacon Dennis

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### [Summer Calendar](#)

Below is a calendar of planned events for our beloved parish community (some in partnership with St. Joseph). Please keep an eye on this parish wide email for updates.

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**Jul 10** – Archbishop Etienne's decree letter will be read at St. Pat's Mass and published immediately after Mass. Canonical appeal to be filed within ten calendar days. Alternative community group meeting after Mass in Paddy's Place. Laura on vacation. Colleen Lynch leads music.

**Jul 17** – Welcome letter to St. Pat's parishioners from St. Joe's will be read at Mass. Laura on vacation. Colleen Lynch leads music.

**Jul 24** – Members of St. Joe's community come to St. Pat's to share liturgy. Meet together after Mass at St. Pat's into ministry groups (Parish Life, Liturgy, Faith Formation, Social Justice). Catered lunch provided at Paddy's Place.

**Jul 31** – Celebration of our Sister Parish relationship. Lisa Dennison to serve as homilist. Incoming St. Joseph pastor Fr. Chris Cartwright to preside at St. Pat's Mass. Spirit of Hope Multifaith Climate Solutions Summit 2PM-5PM in Paddy's Place.

**Aug 7** – Thank you for Dcn. Dennis and Fr. Bryan's time with us.

**Aug 14** – Renewal of Wedding Vows for couples after communion. Parish picnic. Victoria Ries will be present.

**Aug 21** – Procession around St. Pat's nave/sanctuary honoring the physical space then a procession to St. Joe's. Picnic for Fr. Chris at St. Joe's at 1:00 PM.

**Aug 28** – Last Mass at St. Pat's inviting previous pastors & parishioners to join us. Opening and closing special procession. Blessing of the community. Small reception after Mass. Betsey leads Movement ministry.

**Sep 3-4** – St. Patrick's parishioners welcomed at every Mass at St. Joe's with special focus at Sunday's 9:30am Mass, which will be ASL interpreted. Fr. Chris presides/preaches. Bob/Laura will lead joint choir.

**Sep 11** – ASL interpretation starts at St. Joe's at 11:00 am Mass. Also live-streamed.

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### Archdiocese of Seattle Synod Report

Released on June 30, 2022, the Seattle Archdiocese Synod Report is a synthesis of findings from over 11,000 people who participated in the Synodal Process in the Archdiocese of Seattle. The full report can be found [HERE](#). This is a fascinating read and some of the published results may surprise you (The Archbishop and Archdiocese are listening to the people of God).



The Archdiocese of Seattle presents the Seattle Synod Synthesis report, which captures feedback from nearly 1,000 online and in-person gatherings since January, involving over 11,000 people across Western Washington. The synthesis highlights common themes that emerged from a dozen distinct community groups, as well as larger themes echoed by many Catholics across the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese will be leading two webinars on July 20th to present the synthesis report in more detail:

- Wednesday July 20th @ 10:00 a.m. – [Click here to Register](#)
- Wednesday July 20th @ 6:30 p.m. – [Click here to Register](#)

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### 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

### Information Required for St. Pat's Parishioner Directory

Parishioners of St. Pat's, we need your help!! To facilitate ongoing communication between parishioners once we are closed we would like to create a Parishioner Directory. To that end, we've launched a page on our website to gather people's current information. Please go to the following link <http://www.stpatrickseattle.org/opt-in-for-directory> and fill out the short Opt-In form to be included in the directory. This will allow us to stay in touch with one another after our parish closure. Thank you for your participation!

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## Continuing Engagement Opportunities

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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.

**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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