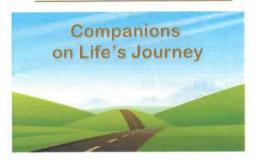
February 16, 2020

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Reflection



People are not property. We cannot exchange them at will or simply use them for our own designs and purposes. What does the word "commitment" mean to you? We can begin to understand its meaning by looking at some synonyms: dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity, and bond. Commitment is primarily about relationship, and Jesus is all about relationships. How our lives affect others, how we treat our brothers and sisters, how we resolve conflict, and how we view the vows of marriage. Jesus' teachings on the commandments, reconciliation, marriage, divorce, and adultery all stem from the sacredness of commitment. All of this has a God connection.

We can easily see one another as interchangeable and dispensable. We treat so much of our lives this way. What works today may not be what I want tomorrow. We search and search for the right thing only to find our hearts still restless in the end. Is real happiness achievable this side of the grave? (continued on page 3)

Senior Adult Fellowship

Come join the Corpus Christi Seniors group for community service, fellowship, and fun! The group meets on the 3rd Friday of each month at 10:30 am in the Rainbow Room — next gathering will be Friday, February 21st. Men and women are welcome to come and enjoy cards, other games, and a potluck lunch.

The group has prepared food baskets for needy families, keeps in touch with homebound parish members, and collects baby items each month, donating them to organizations helping pregnant women in need. Trips to the Solanus Casey Center, TV news station, lavender farm, cider mill, and others are being planned along with a boat cruise.

Join the Corpus Christi Seniors for a good time! Bring your ideas, too! Contact Cheryl Hill at 313-534-4707 for more information.

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Corpus Christi Directory

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Weekend Masses:

Daily/ Holy Day Masses: See next column.

Sat 4 pm, Sun 9 am & 11 am

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Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Available on Saturdays from 2:00 to 3:45 pm; by appointment (call the Parish Office); during the parish Advent and Lent penance services.

Sick Calls and Communion Calls: Please call the Parish Office when there is serious illness in your household so that we may place the sick on our prayer list and arrange for the Sacrament of Anointing.

Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Weddings: Please call the Parish Office 6 months before wedding. Bulletin Copy: Please contact Miriam Hudson by phone or email.

Week at Corpus Christi

Monday, February 17

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

7:20 am

ADORATION

8:30 am

MASS

7:00 pm

Bible Study

Tuesday, February 18

7:20 am **ADORATION**

8:30 am

MASS

6:00 pm

OPCA Board Meeting

7:00 pm

Prayer Minister Training

Wednesday, February 19

7:20 am **ADORATION**

8:30 am

COMMUNION SERVICE

7:00 pm

Parish Finance Council Meeting

Thursday, February 20

7:20 am

ADORATION

8:30 am

MASS

7:00 pm

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Friday, February 21

Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

10:30 am

Corpus Christi Seniors

Saturday, February 22

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

10:00 am 11:00 am **SVDP Food Pantry**

GOF Set Up Recovery Group

2:00 pm 2:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

MASS 4:00 pm

Sunday, February 23 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:45 am

Noah's Ark Nursery

11:00 am

MASS/Liturgy of the Word with Children

RITE OF SENDING

11:00 am

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1

12:30 pm 4:00 pm GENERATIONS OF FAITH Better Men Outreach

On February 22nd we celebrate the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter. The Latin word for "chair" is cathedra. From there we get the word "cathedral" to designate literally the "seat" of the bishop. Cathedrals — and the bishop's chairs inside — are symbols of the bishop's

authority. We celebrate the Church and her apostolic origin. As Pope Benedict XVIII said, "it is a symbol of the special mission of Peter and his Successors to tend Christ's flock, keeping it united in faith and in charity." (Angelus Message, February 19, 2012).

Facilities and Finances

by Carolyn Wilson, Director of Operations

Happy February Everyone! I hope that you and your families are staying healthy and warm this mid-winter.

Updates: Air conditioning will be installed in the school kitchen! I'm certain that many of you who will be very pleased with this enhancement. I am hoping that my next article will confirm the completion of this work.

Greg Spight or I will be making brief announcements the next few weekends about the Parish Response to Emergency Situations (PRES) plan. We are in the midst of finalizing this plan and want to let you know about key items of the plan.

Please remember that our next Millionaire's Party is scheduled for Sunday – Wednesday, March 8 - 11, 2020. Ken Troupe is coordinating this event. Please contact him if you are interested in volunteering, but would like more information. We are always in need of volunteers for this fundraiser, which supports our Christian Service programs. Thank you to those who have volunteered in the past and to those who may volunteer in the future!

Contribution statements are being mailed. Thank you for your support of the parish! You may want to consider other options for giving to the parish, such as:

Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), which, according to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) you are required to take by April 1 of the year following the calendar year in which you reach age 70 ½ and by December 31 each subsequent year thereafter from your retirement accounts. More information can be found at https://www.irs.gov/retirement-plans.

Charitable Gifting, which allows you to gift shares from an account to a third party as a charitable donation and may positively impact your current tax position.

Other ways to give can be found on the Archdiocese of Detroit website at https://www.aod.org/ways-to-give.

In any of these cases, it is recommended that you discuss them with your financial advisor.

As always, I welcome your thoughts and questions! Please do not hesitate to reach out to me. Blessings!

- Carolyn

Sunday Reflection (continued from page 1)

Sometimes we expect too much out of others and want our relationships to fill a hole that we must figure out how to fill ourselves. Any seasoned married couple will tell you that their love for one another changes as time passes. Even though the understanding of romance changes as life changes, the dedication, devotion, allegiance, loyalty, faithfulness, and fidelity all remain and even deepen.

Some relationships can be hurtful, and God does not want us to live with abuse or pain. Also, how a relationship develops is sometimes out of our control, and we become the victim of someone else's decision. But we can't be self-focused in our relationships and see them exclusively as self-fulfilling ends. We are companions on life's journey with varying depths of relationships being enjoyed by all who are with us along the way. We have the freedom to choose. God asks us to do so wisely, with right judgment and thinking.©LPi

Young Adult News

Up Next! Real World Ready Conference Saturday, February 22, 9:00 am - 4 pm @ New St. Mark Family Life Center 24331 West 8 Mile Road, Detroit

— The Abayomi Community Development Corporation is offering a free conference for high school students to guide them through their transition from high school into adulthood. There will be workshops led by industry professionals on personal finance, healthcare, education, and independent living. The conference also includes lunch, a special keynoter speaker, and giveaways. Space is limited. Register at www.abayomicdc.org.

Young Catholic Professionals Speaker Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 7 - 9 pm @ TBD

— Visit https://www.aod.org/young-adult-events.



Church of the Home

■ 52 Sundays

Reclaim Sunday! Spend some time together on Jesus' teaching about the law and anger (Matthew 5:17-37). Choose 2 people to read the Gospel and the Meet Our Extended Family reflection on

Blessed John Fiesole, then "take time to chat":

- · One of the teachings in today's Gospel has to do with anger. Jesus is not saying that the emotion of anger is sinful. He is saying that anger is dangerous and be careful! Why do you think we need to be careful when we are angry? How could anger get us into trouble?
- Can anger ever be good?
- · Blessed John of Fiesole was an artist. He used his artistic ability to glorify God. Have you ever created something that glorified God? What was it?

Close your discussion with the prayer below.

(52 Sundays is a dynamic guide to help families reclaim the Lord's Day; you can get the weekly content and additional resources at www.52Sundays.com.)

FAMILY PRAYER

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Heavenly Father, sometimes we are troubled by thoughts and feelings of anger.

You know that sometimes we say and do mean things because we've been hurt by others.

Lord, please heal our hearts and give us your peace so that we can live like Jesus is calling us to live.

We ask all this through Christ, our Lord.

■ Heal Your Marriage

Retrouvaille is a Christian peer ministry for hurting married couples who are longing for healing and hope. The next Retrouvaille weekend will begin Friday, March 6 in Southfield. Please call 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org for confidential information or to register for the program.



Youth Ministry Calendar

Friday, February 21 6:15 - 7:30 pm Corpus Christi Youth Group **Activities Center**

Friday, March 6 6:30 - 8:30 pm YFACT Meeting Sacred Heart Major Seminary (Room 11/12)

Save The Dates!

The next Corpus Christi Youth Mission Trip will take place Sunday - Saturday, July 19 - 25, 2020. Watch for details!

The Detroit Promise

The Detroit Promise, administered by the Detroit Regional Chamber, ensures Detroit-resident 2019 high school graduates a tuition-free path to further education. For more information or to submit and application, go to http://www.detroitchamber.com, click on the "Economic Development" tab at the top of the page, then select "Detroit Promise" from the drop-down list.

For more information on Youth Ministry activities and events, please feel free to contact Marilyn Webb, Youth Minister at (313) 306-0004 or email at caritas@disciples.com.

■ Everyday Stewardship

One day, my son was explaining to his mother that he felt she had lied to him. It was nothing very important, but he wanted to take this opportunity to share how important telling the truth is to him. He explained that he simply tells it like it is in all aspects of his life. But an hour later, we caught him in a lie! Again, it was not about a matter of life and death, but it was a lie. When confronted with his own previous words on how important the telling the truth was to him, he just smiled. Yes, the guilty often have no words of defense.

Jesus said it best in Matthew 5: "Let your 'yes' mean 'yes' and your 'no' mean 'no." He was (continued on page 7)



BULLETIN BOARD

CAREGIVER NEEDED: Legal guardian seeking a caregiver starting next week to provide some health care and wound care tasks for 2 months. Free room and board (private room). Please call Alicia Lee at 313-330-5684 for more information.

shrines of ITALY JOURNEY: April 23 - May 6, 2020. Destinations include Milan, Italy - Turin - Pavia - Sirmione - Padua - Pomposa - Ravenna - Rome - Papal Audience - Pietrelcina - San Giovanni Rotondo - Excursion to Monte Sant'Angelo - Lanciano - Loreto - Assisi - Cascia - end in Rome, Italy. Land prices begin at 2379/person based on double occupancy. A deposit of \$400 will reserve your space. Email Eillen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com or call 860-399-1785 for more information.

FOUND: Baby's hat (pink & purple stripes); man's hat (black); umbrellas (1 pink IKEA family, 1 red); hand sanitizer (Molina Health Care); gloves (1 black with blue & beige argyle pattern, 1 black with "shiny spots"). These items are in the "Lost and Found" cabinet in the Ushers' Room at back of church.

SUPPORT FOR PREGNANT TEENS: Gianna House, a pregnancy and parenting residence, has room to house a few more pregnant teens, ages 13 to 17. If you know a teen who needs a safe and loving environment that provides parent education, like skills, and career planning, please have them call 586-445-0440 or email jbrubaker@giannahouse.org.

LAUNDRY SERVICE: Parish member will do washing and/or ironing for you. Reasonable rates. Call Marilyn at 586-995-3677 for more information.

RIDE HOME FROM MASS NEEDED: Parishioner living in the 14 Mile Rd/Main St area of Clawson needs ride home after the 11:00 Mass; needs some help with wheelchair; call Beverly at 313-819-8060.

HUSTLE EXERCISE CLASSES: Mondays at 7 pm at Franklin Athletic Club, 29350 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield; cost is \$5/class; no membership required. Contact parishioner Kim Summers at 313-205-2883.



★ Parish Health Advocacy Team

The Parish Health Advocacy Team is seeking volunteers to join the team and help plan parish health programs. Volunteers are also needed to help with blood pressure checks after the weekend Masses. Please call the parish office at 313-537-5770 for more information and/or to volunteer.

★ Nursery Caregiver

Adult caregivers are needed to provide a loving, safe environment for infants and toddlers while their parents are at the Sunday 11:00 Mass. The nursery is located in the Activities Center (convent building). Commitment is 1 ½ hrs (10:45 am - 12:15 pm) every 6 weeks. On-call caregivers are needed for other parish events (Infant baptism classes, young married couple events, etc.) Parish registration and background check required. Please call 313-537-5770 to volunteer.

★ Sunday Bus Driver

A volunteer is needed to <u>drive parishioners to and from 11:00 Mass</u> via the church bus approximately every 5 weeks. Parish registration, a valid driver's license, recent driving experience, a background check, and attendance at a Protecting God's Children workshop is required.

★ Greeters and Ushers

Volunteers are needed to <u>create a spirit of warmth</u> <u>and welcome</u> for those attending our weekend masses and special liturgies. Please contact Verna Kelser, Greeter Coordinator, at 248-559-3901 or Gregory Spight, Usher Coordinator at 313-537-5770.



COMING EVENTS

Feb 17 Christian Yoga

Come to Manresa Retreat House, 1390 Quarton Road (corner of Woodward), Bloomfield Hills on Monday, February 17 from 5:00 to 6:15 pm for this healthy, healing practice in an atmosphere of prayer, sacred music, and scripture. Cost is \$12; payment may be made by cash or check on the day of the class. Bring yoga mat, block, and blanet. Call 248-644-4933.

Feb 18 - 21 Grief Support

2/18 Tue 1 - 3 pm Dearborn Heights

Healing Heart Luncheon 313-578-6328

- open to anyone who has experienced the loss of a spouse or partner; registration required

2/20 Thu 1 - 2:30 pm Detroit
Hospice of MI *Living On* 313-578-6328

2/21 Fri 10:30-11:30 am Royal Oak Hospice of MI *Grief & Loss Group* 248-334-1323

2/11 Thu 10:30 am - 12 n Novi Ascension at Home *Healing The Heart* 586-464-4841

Feb 22 Black History Workshop

The stories of many African-American women who played significant roles in the struggle for equal rights are lost or remain invisible to many Americans. Joni Scott, BA, will facilitate a workshop acknowledging the contributions of nine powerful women on Saturday, February 22 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at Visitation North Spirituality Center, 7227 Lahser Road, Bloomfield Hills. Come learn about the work of Septima Poinsette Clark, Daisy Bates, Jo Ann Robinson, Fannie Lou Hamer, Dr. June Jackson Christmas, Aileen Clarke Hernandez, Judy Richardson, Gloria Richardson, and Myrlie Evers. Cost is \$20. To register, call 248-433-0950 or email VistationNorth@ihmsisters.org.

Mar 2 Free On-Line Course

Do you have any plans to grow your faith this Lent? A free, self-paced Lenten retreat experience is offered by Sacred Heart Major Seminary March 2 - April 12. The course is guided by six dynamic professors who will guide participants to encounter Christ more fully in the sacraments, prayer and Scripture, through suffering and service, and in all the events of everyday life. Learn more and register at shms.edu/encounter.

Retreat Schedule

Mon, Feb 17, 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Women-to-Women

@ Manresa Jesuit Retreat House 1390 Quarton Road, Bloomfield Hills

— The group meets in the Manresa library for coffee and socializing, and then gathers for lectio divina (reading, reflecting, and praying with Scripture). Come away refreshed, renewed, heard, affirmed, supported, and spiritually nourished. No registration is necessary. Facilitated by Anne Smith. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

Thu, Feb 20, 1:00 - 2:30 pm or 7 - 8:30 pm

Spring Prayer Series: Examen

@ St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center
23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit

— Come learn to speak and listen to God. Cost is \$10 per session (\$30 for all 4 sessions). Register online at stpaultretreat.org or call 313-535-9563 to register or for more information.

Fri - Sun, Feb 21 - 23

Retreat Weekend for Men

@ St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center
23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit

— Rooms available after 4:30 pm on Friday. Buffet supper opens the retreat at 6:30 pm; orientation at 7:30 pm. Suggested donation is \$215; \$30 non-refundable deposit required. Register online at stpaultretreat.org or call 313-535-9563 to register.

Wed, Feb 26, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Ash Wednesday Day of Reflection @ St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center 23333 Schoolcraft, Detroit

— Begin the season of Lent by spending some quiet time with the Lord on Ash Wednesday. The day includes reflective talks, conversation, Reconciliation, Mass, and a hot lunch; cost for the day is \$30 per person. Register online at www.stpaulretreat.org, or call 313-286-2800.

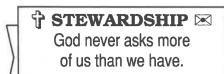




Everyday Stewardship (continued from page 4)

warning his disciples about false oaths and then instructing them on the fullness of the Hebrew laws. We may try to do what we say and say what we mean, but it can be all too easy to fall short. We call ourselves disciples yet provide evidence to the contrary by our actions (or lack of them).

Even if we feel that we have lied to no one, we may have lied to ourselves. We portray ourselves as generous, thankful, and loving people, yet fail to answer God's call in a situation because we perceive the cost to be too great. Jesus did not simply mean for his message to be about two words. He also meant that when you say you are a disciple, make sure you are a disciple as well. — *Tracy Earl Welliver* ©LPi





Scriptures for the Week

Readings for the Week of February 16, 2020

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37

or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13 Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21 Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27/Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33 Friday: Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34—9:1

Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48



First Reading

The Jewish sage Sirach speaks of the wisdom in choosing to be obedient and loyal to God's will and commandments. Why do you think this is such a difficult choice for humans?

Second Reading

Paul encouraged the believers in Corinth to rely on God's wisdom rather than on the wisdom of the rules of this age. What human "wisdom" of our age should we be avoiding?

Gospel Reading

As Jesus continues with his Sermon on the Mount, he addresses a variety of topics with his disciples — the Law, anger, adultery, divorce, and oaths — all of which were part of daily life. How can you challenge yourself and others to live to these divine standards?

Please Pray For Our Deceased Loved Ones

Laverne Armstrong, in-law of Ken Troupe Susan McCann, niece of Fr Don Archambault Alonza Majors, father of Christina Grace





Please Pray For Those In The Military:

Jared Brooks (Marines), Caija Campbell (Army), Anthony Carson (Army), Anthony Ford (Army), Thomas Dixon (Navy), Anthony Hollins, Jr (Army), Jonah LaTour, Jon LaTour, John Maurer (Air Force), Robbie Mayes (Marines), Christopher Moniere (National Guard), Corey Sullivan (Army), and Lance Walker II (Army).



Mass Intentions February 17 - 23

Monday	8:30 am	For Our Homebound Members
Tuesday	8:30 am	For Those Who Are Caregivers
Wednesday	8:30 am	Communion Service
Thursday	8:30 am	For Those In Hospitals and Nursing Homes
Friday		No Mass or Communion Service
Saturday	4:00 pm	+ Emma Willis (req by Donna Graham
Sunday	9:00 am 11:00 pm	For the People of Corpus Christi For An Increase In Vocations

Please call the parish office (313-537-5770) to add or remove a name from our prayer lists.

Please Pray For Our Sick Members:

Troy Anderson
Tony Baines
Ken Banka
Doris Billion
Paul Billion
Marcelle Blackmon
Wanda Bradley
Alelia Busby
Jefferie Cook Sr
Karen Cook
Terrie C-Henderson
Sheri Dargin
Cid Davis
Kevin DeMatas
David Derouselle Sr

Renita Fletcher
Roy Ford
Rosemary Givens
Gary Greening
Virginia Harkey
Clint Harris
Sr Stephanie Holub
Irma Horton
Mary C. Hustoles
Edward Hustoles
Gloria James
John Johnson
Roswitha Jordan
Fannie Larkins
Myrna Leonard

Marilyn Lewandowski
Bob Lindsay
Nancy Loper
Kathy Montgomery
Shirley Myles
Yve Nemeth
Shirley Oldenburg
Sharon Ortman
Helen Parkman
Vernard Plain
Thelma Polley
Phyllis Raines
Sally Rimbert
Joy Robinson
Juanita Robinson

Leatrice Robinson Elyse Ryder Michael Sands Pauline Simpson Bernice Slaughter Donna Storie Colletta Sykes Brendia Thomas Charlotte Turner Adele Waddell Kathy Wilson



Homebound:
Synia Benjamin
Jackie Bodenhorn
Evelyn Brantley
Beverley B-Johnson
Angeline Butler
Michelle Cagle
Joseph Cagle Sr
Clairmina Danjou
Felisa Deluna
Judories Fort
Margaret Gassoway
Ella Goldsmith Sr
Rachelle Harper
Martha Harris

Ruth Hill
Ronald Hills
Marie Leonard
Sharon Lewis
Beverly Miller
Beatrice Neail
Margaret Nielsen
John Onwudinjo
Sue Padalino
Evangeline Pruett
Hulda Reed
Isiah Searls
Joseph Shelton
Mary Pat Shelton

Please Pray For Our Relatives and Friends:

Susan Absher Kelley Adams **Duncan Alfes** Cynthia Archer-Gift Jim Agnello Sue Bates Marie Beard Joan Beckley-Fletcher Edward Bejesky Katy Bessey Kenneth Black Bryan Bowman James Bryant Bria Brown Linda Brown Ron Brown Auby Bryson F. Chennault-Johnson Jenny Churchill Scott Clinton Leah Closson Perry Conway Ronald Crane **Betty Cross** Chuck Davis Natacha Desir Shannon Dodd Jerry Douglas

Chris Downing Elizabeth Downing Lloyd Earl Virginia Etherly Stephen Farkus Phillip Faucher Ronald Eletcher Barbara Ford Kyle Foster Jerry & Patricia Franks Mavis Frazer Barbara Gay Nestelyn Gay Elwood Gneckow Shawn Gore Marlene Grant Morty Green Cora Harper Alfonzo Harris Millie Harris Sharon Harris Lisa Harston-LeDoux Bob & Jane Hazen Donna Hebel Summer Henry Carol Holm Sullivan Horton Jean Houck

Tom Hustoles Robert Jarey Aliyaa John Arnim Johnson Fred Johnson El Caleb Jones Dorie Kaiser Bill Kelley Shirley Kenney Mary Alice Kenny Kristen Kingzett Katie Lutzo Kissell **Fd Kmett** Erin Knight Fred Kolp Emilia Kullman Marta Lagos Dianne Leitterman Antoinette Litzinger Cheryl Lofton Anthony Lorenger Harold Lowe William Mapp Michael Mathis Scott McDonald Anthony McNeal Michael McNeece

John/Mary Jo Meakin

Jerry Mercier Jr Robert Miller Jr Darwin Mills Florence Mills Willard Mitchell James Mollov Karen Momper Elizabeth Moore Shirley V Moore Glinda Moorer Verita Morris Louis Morzynske Mike Mueller Pierce Mueller Joyce Mulhall Mignon Murray Sara Nell-Wallace Margaret Nelson **Ernestine Nimmons** Charles Nutt Charlotte, Donna, John & Tyler O'Neill Jeff Padalino Patty Page Celena Parker Willie Parker Jr Paula Parham Cyndi Pask

James Pefley Alicia Penman Ethel Person Marguon Perry Matt Phillips Reginald Phillips Anthony Plain Erin Plain David Remo Sandra Reynolds Michael Rice Matthew Rich Viola Richburge Dorothy Roberson Eugene Rohde Alfredo Roias Patrick Ryder Anthony Salem Frank Salem Sherry Samuel **Ethel Mae Sanders** Larry Schneider Helen Schroeder Mildred Scott Alice Sheehan Larry Shelton Lenny Simmons Curtis Simpson Sr

Donald Sims Sr **Emily Smale** Kathy Smith **Beverly Sneed** Tom/Dorothy Sobota Nicholas Stephens Gus Sternberg Rochelle Stewart Trevor Sullivan Kevin Sweeney Frances Sykes Patt Taylor-Braxton Rick Thompson Carolyn Thrash Gerry Tremonti Amy Turner Eleanor Ursulan Robert Vanden Berg Al Victors Alicia Walker Kelley Walker Lance Walker Brady Wesley Jamal Williams Ruth Wilson Barbara Woods Doris Woody Kyle Yanke

From Fr. Patrick Gonyeau

Dward from the heart

With All My Heart Psalm 119:34

In the Psalm we sang at mass this weekend, there is a stirring phrase I'd like to dig into for a few minutes, "give me discernment, that I may observe your law and keep it with all my heart." (Ps 119:34) In the Old Testament, the heart referred to the center or middle of things. In the New Testament, heart is used in a similar sense. In Luke 6, we hear Jesus explain that, "the good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth what is good; and the evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth what is evil; for his mouth speaks from that which fills his heart." (Lk 6:45)

It's long been a part of Christian spiritual tradition that the heart represents the depths of one's being, where they person decides for or against God. I'd like to share with you a powerful passage on the heart from the Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 2563:

The heart is the dwelling-place where I am, where I live; according to the Semitic or Biblical expression, the heart is the place "to which I withdraw." The heart is our hidden center, beyond the grasp of our reason and of others; only the Spirit of God can fathom the human heart and know it fully. The heart is the place of decision, deeper than our psychic drives. It is the place of truth, where we choose life or death. It is the place of encounter, because as image of God we live in relation: it is the place of covenant.

These beautiful words capture both the biblical sense of the heart and the reality of free will that makes entering into a covenant of love with God possible for us. In Psalm 119:34, we hear prayer from the heart of the God-lover who has a heart on fire, like the disciples who encounter Jesus on the road to Emmaus ("where not our hearts burning within us!?" they said in Luke 24:32).

The prayer "give me discernment, that I may observe

your law (LOVE-Jn13:34) and keep it with all my heart" is to long to live with God in every moment – to long for life in God's presence with all our heart, to live with a heart consumed with affection for God and God's words and ways. Forth from a heart consumed with God radiates the presence of divine love that has the capacity to do all things in and for the glory of God (Phil 4:13). Praying for each other, may we live with hearts overflowing with God's ways, words and ultimately, love.

Love & Blessings! — Fr. Patrick

Holy Homework



In St. Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians, he describes that the Holy Spirit gives us amazing revelation (1 Cor 2:9-10), the key is that we turn to God and ask for revelation. In our Psalm this

weekend, we have just such a prayer: "Give me discernment, that I may observe your law and keep it with all my heart." (Psalm 119:34) For Holy Homework, let's try to make that a heartfelt prayer throughout our days this week...a mantra if you will...and I believe we'll be given wisdom at each turn on the journey with Jesus!



You are invited to participate in a 5-week course on Prayer Ministry. Fr. Patrick Gonyeau will facilitate the series, which will provide participants the formation and skills needed to pray with people after Mass, revivals, healing services, etc.

Class dates and times are:

Tuesday	February 18	7:00 - 8:30 pm
Tuesday	February 25	7:00 - 8:30 pm
Tuesday	March 3	7:00 - 8:30 pm
Tuesday	March 17	7:30 - 9:00 pm
Tuesday	March 25	7:00 - 8:30 pm

All classes will be held in the Rainbow Room. Call the parish office at 313-537-5770 to register.

Generations of Faith God's Messengers Unleash The Gospel

Sunday, February 23



"Through the Eyes of Love"

After reflecting on the three synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew, and Luke), we turn to John's Gospel which is highly literary and symbolic and does not follow the same order or reproduce the same stories as the synoptic gospels. We welcome John Thorne back to Corpus Christi to blend his musical talents with scriptural reflections on the Gospel of John.



John Thorne is the Executive Director of the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance. In this role he is charged with creating and sustaining programs that support the community at large for the 14 member

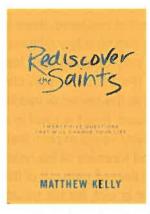
parishes. The programs range from lay Minister Training, to youth STEM programs, to a housing development program.

John is also the Pastoral Associate and Minister of Music at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Detroit, Michigan. He is a 2001 graduate of Central State University with a B.S. in Business Administration. John recently served as the Director of the Black Catholic Ministries for the Archdiocese of Detroit. He has one son, John II.

GOF begins in church after the 11:00 am Mass, followed by lunch in the gym for GOF attendees only. GOF will end at about 3 pm. The cost is a freewill donation for lunch (children eat free). Please sign up your household at the back of church after Mass or by calling the parish office at 313-537-5770.

Let God's Mercy Change You! Join A Lenten Emmaus Group

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 26th. The Faith Formation Commission encourages every one to participate in a Emmaus faith-sharing group during Lent.



The "Rediscover The Saints" book distributed during the Christmas season will be the guide for each group, along with a discussion guide. Participants will also view a video clip from "Who Cares About The Saints? I Do," by Fr. James Martin, S.J. as well as a video clip about the Church's teaching on saints.

The format for each group includes opening prayer, Scripture, video clips, discussion, sharing of insights, and closing prayer. Participating in an Emmaus group this Lent is a great opportunity to get to know the saints, who were ordinary and extraordinary people whose love of God and people made them saints — each in a unique way using the gifts God gave them.

Themes for each week are:

Week 1 — Life-Giving Routines (St. Ignatius)

Week 2 — Making Great Decisions (St. Francis of Assisi)

Week 3 — The World Needs The Best Version Of You (St.Teresa of Calcutta)

Week 4 — Love Is Sacrifice (St. Therese of Lisieux)

Week 5 — Letting Go (Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Angels)

There will be six groups meeting during Lent:

Mondays, 7 - 8:30 pm (starts 2/24)

- Mark Springer @ C.A.R.E.S., Farmington Hills

Mondays, 7 - 8:30 pm (starts 2/24)

- Rita Pridgen/Renee Walker in the Rainbow Room

Tuesdays, 3 - 4:30 pm (starts 3/3)

- Paul Mueller in the Rectory Living Roomm

Tuesdays, 7 - 8:30 pm (starts 3/3)

- Elaine O'Neill/David Loper in the Activities Center

Wednesdays, 1:30 - 3 pm (starts 2/26)

- Sr Therese MacKinnon/Carolyn Wilson @ Outreach Center

Saturdays, 10 - 11:30 am (starts 2/29)

- Paul Moore/Fr. Patrick/Marilyn Webb in the Activities Center

Weekend Ministries Schedule ■ February 22/23, 2020 ■ 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sat 4 pm	Elaine O'Neill Miriam Hudson	David Loper Sr Ellen Schmitz	Amira Hines Justin Martin		Shirley Myles			Jeff Kendall
Sun 9 am	No 9:00 Mass - Generations of Faith							
Sun 11 am	Peter Mueller Richard Kohler	Team 3 - Ernestine O'Neil + Tracy Jones + Tanya Robinson	Connor Mueller David Mueller Nathan Mueller Marvix Njoku		Cynthia Heath Vickie Hodnett	Miriam Hudson Cynthia Adams Lynnette Mueller		Glennys Merritt
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	Anthony Gill	TBD	No 9:00 Mass - Generations of Fo	aith	No Coffee/Donuts - Generations of Faith			
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Are near death experiences real?

There is a lot of curiosity and fascination with the idea of an afterlife and communicating with those who have died. In movies, television shows, and numerous books, people make claims about their ability to communicate with the dead, or having had a near-death experience. There is no objective way to verify any of this. While details about people and events can be surprisingly accurate, it is just circumstantial evidence that might be explained in other ways.

On the other hand, when people have unusual experiences, sometimes called near-death or out-of-body, it is real to them. They react with the emotions and thoughts that one would expect. At times, they report details they could not have known any other way, such as bits of conversation, or meeting people they had never known in this life. So certainly, to the person, they experience something. We believe in a life after death, we believe in the communion of saints. These things are not a contradiction to faith, but we should not base our faith on them, nor change our beliefs. They are unexplained and will likely remain so. ©LPi

