

Pastor's Message

April 26, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

In the Breaking of the Bread

Dear Parishioners:



The gospel for this third Sunday of Easter is about the disciples on the road to Emmaus, how they were sad and discouraged. In the story, the Risen Lord restores their joy when they recognize him "in the breaking of the bread." For us it is ironic that in these days of pandemic, a big heartache is that we are no longer "breaking bread" and receiving Communion.

As you and I celebrate Sunday today, as we reflect with heavy hearts about the bad news that weighs us down, it is much the same for us as for those two on the road to Emmaus. It is good to acknowledge our heavy hearts. It is good to take an inventory of who we are as we walk our road together. In this season of pandemic, how are you doing? What are the feelings in your heart? Pray with me this inventory taken from the inspiration of Father Bill Huebsch.

Who are you? Are you married with kids, worrying for them and committed to their welfare? Are you divorced? Are you married for the second, or even the third time? Are you a single parent struggling to make ends meet, but also hoping to have love in your life again? Are you gay or lesbian? Well if you are, then you belong in this faith community because you belong to Christ. The Good News is that Christ is the One who creates community when he breaks bread, and he welcomes you as part of his Body. The words from the Gospel are addressed to you: They recognized him in the breaking of the bread.

Are you lonely? Are you a widow? Are you a single man or woman who would prefer to have a spouse? Are you disabled or disfigured? Have you run out of luck? Does your life seem flat? Is your faith on a slowdown? Do you worry that this pandemic will keep going on and on, and that it will be slow until there is a "new normal?" Well, if you are, then you belong here because you belong to Christ.

Are you struggling financially? Have you been laid off? Downsized? Does it seem like you can never quite get it all together? Are you frazzled about so much economic insecurity? Are you struggling with family planning questions? Are you trying to conceive, or have you reluctantly ended a pregnancy? Have you been a victim of abuse or violence, of a crime? Are you fearful? Are you guilty of a crime and afraid of being caught? Do you have a past about which you feel shame? Are you homeless or hopeless? Well if so, then you belong here because you belong to Christ.

Are you new here? An immigrant maybe? Are you from another Christian tradition? Are you full of sadness today, like the two on the road to Emmaus? Are you hopeless like they were?

PASTOR'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

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Has it been a while since you darkened the doorway of a faith community? None of that matters. You belong here because you belong to Christ. The Good News is that Christ is the one who breaks bread, and he welcomes you as part of his Body. The words from the Gospel are addressed to you: They recognized him in the breaking of bread.

In these days of quarantine and frequent hand washing and social distancing of six feet and face masks and suspension of church attendance, I hear your acute desire to receive Christ in the Eucharist. There is a parish phone tree currently operating called "Resurrection Outreach." Staff and various parishioners are phoning everyone on our church and school roster to check in and see how they are doing. One of the feelings I hear most frequently is how much you miss seeing everyone at Mass and receiving the Eucharist. The two are connected. Relating to the Body of Christ means both seeing one another at church, and receiving Communion.

If you would like to take part in the phone tree, call Joseph Byrd at 503 777 1491, and Joseph will give you some phone numbers to call. As the weeks unfold on our road ahead, let's keep longing for the day when we will be in full Communion as the Body of Christ once again.

Fr Craig Boly, SJ.

Pastor

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

A zoom meeting is set up for CLW this Sunday, April 26th. It has been fun to see all of the families that have attended. If possible, can you share this link with the families that are interested in attending? Nathan Williams

To Join Zoom Meeting

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79068023716?pwd=WTBxc1RSSINLbFZ5LzILMkp6UVo5Zz09

Meeting ID: 790 6802 3716 Password: 3b7Gbv

MASS READINGS				
APRIL 26TH READINGS	FIRST READING ACTS 2:14, 22-33	SECOND READING <u>1 PETER 1:17-21</u>	GOSPEL LUKE 24:13-35	
MAY 3RD READINGS	FIRST READING ACTS 2:14A, 36-41	SECOND READING <u>1 PT 2:20B-25</u>	GOSPEL JOHN 10:1-10	

A NOTE FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Like you, to stay connected, we are having to get creative and adjust our strategies. For instance, during our spring appeal, there is typically an outreach component in the parishes with a second collection. Obviously, due to COVID-19, we will not be mailing second collection envelopes to the parishes; however, we will be in touch with another way to work together - #GivingTuesdayNow.

#GivingTuesdayNow, which is a global day of giving and unity, will take place on May 5, 2020 as an emergency response to the unprecedented need caused by COVID-19. We invite you to spread the word among your parishioners via email (and social media) about supporting Catholic Charites on #GivingTuesdayNow.

		DAILY INTENTIONS FOR PRAYER	
Please keep in Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	your prayers April 27 April 28 April 29 April 30 May 01	 Mario Monti Tomi Tomlin Joseph Louise Markovic Bona Venture Oh & family Jim Emig 	Lord, Hear Our Prayer

FAMILY LIFE ~ BETH SCHALLER

This Saturday **April 25th** we are offering a gospel reflection on the Sunday gospel, "The Road to Emmaus." Katie Hennessy has graciously prepared a reflection on this rich gospel and we hope you can join us. The official part of our offering will be from 9:30-10:00 a.m., however, we will open the Zoom meeting at 9:00 a.m. for anyone who wants to visit and check in or who wants to practice with Zoom before we officially start. The agenda will be as follows: 9:00 –9:30 a.m. - informal, optional visiting time

9:30 a.m. – begin Opening Prayer Gospel reading & Reflection – Katie Hennessy Contemplation – Jean Madden on the harp Sharing (briefly offer a phrase or idea from the gospel or reflection that speaks to you – optional, of course)

Closing prayer

10:00 a.m. – end

On our website is a handout for walking meditation,<u>https://www.sipdx.org/family-life</u>,that Katie also offered for the group and she will also provide a question or two to think about after her reflection. Below is the Zoom link. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84327649592?

pwd=aWQ1dWNhYTE0eXpubHJLL0MzTnFKZz09

Meeting ID: 843 2764 9592 Password: 827017

DATE NIGHTS

During this time of social isolation, our Domestic Church is in even greater need of strong relationships with God and each other. Join marriage champions from around the country for a 5 part marriage refresh & renewal series. **Starts Sunday, April 26 at 5 PM and continues for 5 sessions.** *Spanish Date Nights coming.*

For more information and to register today at: <u>https://</u> evangelization.archdpdx.org/domestic-churches-in-quarentine

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION ~ FIRST EUCHARIST

Please continue to pray for our children preparing for First Holy Communion. We will reschedule this when we have more information about the end of quarantine, but in the meantime, prayers are appreciated for these 31 families and kids eagerly anticipating this special day.



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Our parish has an email based prayer chain you can submit prayers or sign up to pray for other's intentions, just email to <u>prayerchain@sipdx.org</u>

In the <u>subject line</u> please include either: *Asking for prayers* OR Add me to the Email list to pray

PREPARING TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS

You may either write notes to individuals or to the class as a whole. Unless you are already in direct contact with one of the class, please send all messages to me (gbyrd@sipdx.org) and I will compile them all and forward them to the class



members.

Members of this

years RCIA class



are: Jeff, Jiamee, Nicole, Devon, Ross, Jen, Deleecha, Micah. Jesse, Naomi, Benjamin, Sarah, Robert, and Michael.

Thank you, and peace be with you all! Grace Byrd

PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

Your Pastoral Council met to share in conversation and fellowship, highlighting the work going on in their various commissions which includes:

~An active St. Vincent de Paul program, working in tandem with Catholic Charities to help provide food for the most vulnerable around us

~An RCIA program that is having profound effects on both candidates and sponsors, all of whom have continued to meet virtually, and who are ready to be received into the church as soon as that can happen

~Our St. Ignatius School is thriving, and serves as a model for online education during the pandemic. It's teachers and staff are a team to behold, both in how quickly they have adapted to a distance learning regimen, and in the care they continue to show to students and families

~Our St. Ignatius Church website continues to offer opportunities for prayer, devotion, up-to-date information from the Archdiocese of Portland, messages from Fr. Craig, and an easy-to-use Online Giving portal to make giving to the weekly offertory collection even easier during this time

Your Stewardship Team met and crafted a letter which will be sent to the entire Parish, encouraging people through these trying times, and reminding them of the good ministries they are still a part of as the St. Ignatius Parish community continues to care for each other, as well as for the most vulnerable among us

Your Finance Council met and is in frank discussion on how best to approach the coming weeks, being good stewards of the resources at hand, as well as planning for a healthy and viable future for our church and school.

DID YOU KNOW??

To receive weekly news, bulletins, and other information, go to <u>onrealm.org/sipdx.org</u> and update your phone number and email by connecting with our online community REALM Or go to the green Register button on our website www.sipdx.org.>>>>>





SCHOOL NEWS



Thank you all for your generous and kind feedback during our parish outreach calls! The school community is feeling your love! We have maintained full enrollment through the pandemic so a huge shout out to our families and the great work of our teachers. Please share your voice with the community: we still have openings at most grade levels and in Eulalie's Garden Child Development Center for 3-4 year olds for next fall. Please inquire on our website at <u>www.sipdx.org</u>

And, as promised last week, we want to share with you what our Distance Learning Program is really like for kids, parents and teachers. Each week we will share a little slice of life from the school community. This week is a general overview in a short 2 minute video: <u>https://youtu.be/hnpvnYZl1zY</u> It includes the special bonus of singing an Easter song with Mr. MacKenzie!





Next week we will look at how our Together Gator Team is

supporting individuals and building community in fun ways. If you have any questions about life in school, please e-mail me at <u>kclark@sipdx.org</u>. We are staying strong To-gether!

Prayers for your safety and health,

Kelli Clark, Principal

FAMILY LIFE ~ MOM'S GROUP

Mom's Group – meets virtually via Zoom each Sunday from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Here is our schedule of upcoming meetings:

- ♦ Apr. 26 Ch. 7: Playing the Field: Xbox, Soccer, and Other Fun Family Games*
- ◊ May 2 Ch. 8: Take, Read: From Seuss to Scripture*
- ♦ May 9 Ch. 9: Blessing and Letting Go*

*These are chapters from the book, "In the Midst of Chaos: Parenting as Spiritual Practice" by Bonnie Miller-McLemore. You are welcome to find a copy and read or just participate in the discussion questions – the leader will provide an overview of the chapter.

To join, email <u>bschaller@sipdx.org</u> for the Zoom login.

ARCHBISHOP

Tomorrow Evening at 6PM—Join Archbishop Sample LIVE from his home chapel for his **Friday** weekend prayer

Other offerings are also available on Archbishop Sample's facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/bishopalexandersample/



