



Holy Rosary Edmonds

13 SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 27/28, 2020

A Letter from Fr. Vincent

Dear Parishioners,

The realities of the Covid pandemic have changed everything we do, and it has changed the way our parish will be moving forward with staffing that will reflect the new realities of Covid. Beginning in July there will be a staff reorganization, our staff will be significantly smaller. In the foreseeable future we will have to do more with less. Our Liturgy and facilities have been the most impacted by the pandemic. Choirs are not permitted, and the use of our facilities for group gatherings will be limited and minimal, therefore the difficult decision was made to eliminate the choir and facilities director positions. Susan Olmos' and Mike Venable's positions will be going away.

Susan Olmos has been at Holy Rosary for 30 years as choir director. Susan's musical career and legacy at Holy Rosary has been extensive. She has lead two choirs with beautiful and inspiring music supporting the liturgy. The 9am traditional choir and I am contemporary choir were outstanding in quality and performance. These choirs really rose to the occasion at the Christmas and Easter liturgies with moving and inspirational music.

Mike Venable has been with us for 3 years. Mike has supported the liturgy by coordination and training the altar servers and making sure all the extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist were accounted for at each mass. Mike's help and presence at the liturgies was invaluable especially at special liturgies of Holy

Week, funerals, and weddings. Mike coordinated the use of the hall and facilities making sure everyone had everything they needed.

A few other staff changes to note, Dave Johnson will be retiring in July. Dave has faithfully done maintenance on our buildings and grounds for 24 years. I will miss seeing him riding around on the lawn mower. We wish Dave well in his well-deserved retirement.

As noted some weeks ago, Roberta Tassani, who was Pastoral Associate for Pastoral Care and Liturgy, is also retiring and we have hired Christine Landerholm to fill that position part time. Christine is a long time parishioner and has a deep love for Our Lord and the Liturgy. She has been coordinating RCIA for several years and has served on the Pastoral Council. Christine comes to us with a strong administrative background and a wealth of experience working with people and organizations. We welcome Christine to this position.

And I would like to thank Roberta for the fine job she has done in the pastoral care of our parish, especially in caring for the spiritual needs of homebound, sick, and dying. She helped families plan funerals for their loved ones and supported the liturgy in many ways. She helped plan my calendar and appointments and provided secretarial support. We wish her all the best in her well-deserved retirement.

In Christ,

Mass
Mon-Sat 8am
Tues 5:30pm
Vigil Sat 5pm
Sun 8am, 10am,
12am

Please
continue to
register for
Sunday Masses.
See website or call
parish office.

Mass Livestream
(See website)
Sunday Vigil, Sat 5pm
Recording may be
watched at any time.

Parish Office
Temporarily closed.
Phone (425)778-
3122
Messages checked daily.
We will return your calls.

Parish School
Phone (425)778-3197



Confession

Mon-Sat 7:30-7:50am
 Tues 5-5:20pm
 Sat 4:30-4:50pm

The confessional is in the alcove by the St. Joseph statue to facilitate safe distancing.

Adoration

The Church is open:

Mon-Sat 7:30am-9am
 Tues 4:30pm-6:30pm

Faithful Departed

Let us pray for:

Leonard Soldo
 Margaret Stinson

“Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me.”
Matt 10:38

Saint Spotlight — St. John of the Cross

John was born in 1542, and lived in a time of discord in the Church as well as civil society.

John’s response to the grave spiritual needs of his time was to embrace a contemplative vocation. He was not washing his hands of his human and Christian responsibilities. On the contrary, in taking this step he committed himself to living with full awareness the very heart of the faith by seeking the face of God, by listening to His word and putting it into practice, and by surrendering himself to the service of his neighbor.

His attitude may be summed up by a basic conviction: It is God and God alone that gives value and meaning to every activity, "For where God is unknown, nothing is known." Faith promotes communion and dialogue among brothers in order to help them to travel the paths that lead to God.

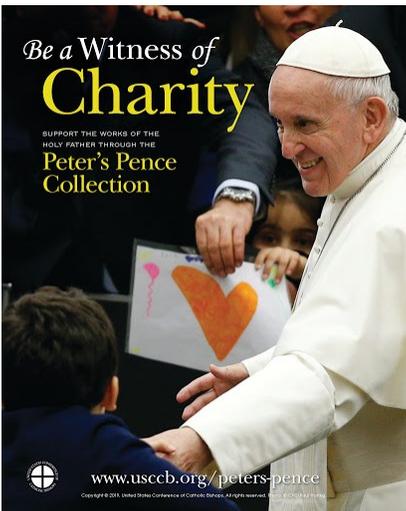
Friar John was an authentic former of believers. He knew how to introduce people to familiar conversation with God by teaching them to discover His presence and His love in all circumstances, whether favorable or unfavorable, in moments of fervor and in periods of apparent abandonment alike.

John of the Cross had to invent for his time a practical approach to teaching faith in order to liberate it from perils that would waylay the faithful. The peril of excessive credulity on the part of those who lacked discernment and trusted more in private visions and subjective movements than in the Gospel and the Church. On the other hand, there was radical unbelief and hardness of heart which made it impossible for others to open themselves to mystery. The Mystical Doctor avoids these pitfalls and, through his example and doctrine, helps Christians to make their faith strong with the very basic qualities of an adult faith — a personal faith which has matured through the experience of communion with God, a faith that leads to solidarity and commitment which is manifested in moral integrity of life and a readiness to serve. This is the faith that we need and which he offers us through his personal witness and his perennially relevant teaching. — adapted from Pope St. John Paul II Apostolic letter Dec 14, 1990

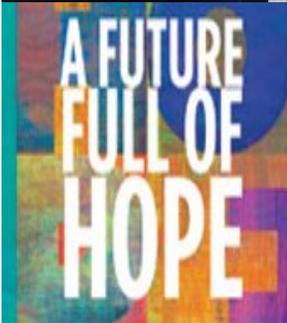


Upcoming Events

- July 1 — Online VBS begins
- July 2 — Funeral Mass for Margaret Stinson
- July 16 11am — Funeral Mass for Mary Allard
- July 22 11am Funeral Mass for Sharon Kulfan



Next week, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and become a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous.



**Annual Catholic Appeal Update:
Our parish's goal is \$188,096**

So far, 255 families have pledged 57% of our goal (\$107,000)

Thank you to all who have made your pledges, the Annual Catholic Appeal supports over 60 ministries and services in the Archdiocese.