

Today's reading from Jeremiah is appropriate for our times. We see assaults on the history of our nation, assaults on Catholic churches and Sacred images, rioters trying to spread chaos and unrest in our cities. It can lead one to ask like Jeremiah if we have been cast off by God. Of course, we have not. God remains faithful; it is us sinners that turn from Him. We cannot allow the actions of this world to take us away from Holy Mother Church. Neither Covid, nor the mob, have any lasting meaning compared to the glory of the Resurrection that awaits us if we persevere to the end. Our hope is in the Lord Jesus Christ. We must stand up for Truth as given to us by the Word, Jesus, and passed on to us through Holy Mother Church. If we do this there is no need for fear.

There continues to be rumors flying around about Fr Franks. I have heard nothing from the diocese, nor from Fr Franks. Please do not be part of spreading stories. I will let everyone know as soon as I do. Trust me, I am as anxious as anyone to have news regarding a pastor.

There has been some confusion over the use of the Parish Hall. From now on any use of the halls at either St Ann or St Mary need to be approved/registered through the parish office. If you are currently using the hall routinely please call Martha and let her know so we can establish a calendar to avoid conflicts. Any change of the date or times needs to be approved. We are not trying to restrict usage, only avoid conflicts and to have a record/calendar of hall usage.

Do not forget about Rural King's Church Week August 2-15, 2020. They will donate 10% of the total bill back to us. We are registered for the Zanesville and Coshocton stores. You have to submit receipts as per their web page. www.ruralking.com/churchweek. If you do not have access to the webpage you can drop receipts in the collection basket or bring them to the office during usual hours: 9-12 M-F. Please patronize Rural King and thank them.