



ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 24, 2019

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February 21, 2019

Dear Friends,

Not long ago, someone remarked to me about how difficult it is to be Catholic these days. An understatement, I thought. It seems that scarcely a day goes by that we are not greeted (assaulted would be the better word) by some new and shocking revelation that relates to one aspect or another of the sexual abuse scandal that, for far too long, has been rocking the church--not just in this country, not just in the developed countries of the world, but seemingly everywhere.

We are scandalized, disgusted, and weary beyond words. Our hearts ache for the thousands of victims who carry heavy burdens through their lives. And while I can't speak for all of us, I am quite sure that most of us who follow the news--and who relate day after day to friends, neighbors, and co-workers (and, often enough, to family members who no longer consider themselves Catholic)--are finding it increasingly difficult to explain why we continue to identify as Catholic, why we continue to practice our faith.

I wish I could provide comfort for you at a profoundly difficult time. I wish I could provide answers to the questions you are struggling with. I wish I could reassure you that the worst is over and that things will quiet down soon. I cannot. All I can do is offer a few considerations that may help provide some context and some nuance--both of which, when it comes to news reports, seem to be in short supply.

First, the church, despite all its egregious sins and failings, its fatal compromises and its deceptions, will weather this storm and, with the grace of God, become a stronger, more credible, more effective instrument for preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. I believe this with all my heart. For this to happen, however, our bishops must prayerfully listen to God's Spirit, humbly hear the cries of God's people, and resolutely take bold and deliberate steps to root out of the church every discernible trace of abuse, cover-up, dishonesty, self-deception, and hypocrisy. Only in this way will a dispirited and deeply wounded church be able to move forward and carry out its sacred mission.

Not every representation in the secular media regarding these issues can be taken as gospel. Don't get me wrong: I am not accusing the secular media of ill will or deliberate misrepresentation, but we shouldn't expect secular news sources to have a carefully nuanced understanding of the church, its life, its history, its theology, or its canons. I also think it's true to say that the church has not always helped the situation: too often it has been far from forthcoming with clear, complete, transparent, and unbiased information.

Despite what we often hear in news stories, it is not true to say or to imply that the United States Bishops have not taken serious and significant steps to deal with the abuse crisis. That they have been slow in doing so is unarguable, that they have been uneven in their response is also beyond dispute, but since 2002 when they adopted the so-called Dallas Charter, the bishops have taken major steps not only to address the sad history of the sexual abuse of children and vulnerable adults in the church, but also to put into place a set of policies and protocols to prevent its ever happening again. So, even last summer's revelations of the Pennsylvania Grand Jury, lurid and shocking as they were, should be seen as reports on criminal activity that took place prior to 2002 – and much of it fifty or more years ago. This will bring no comfort to victims, and it certainly does not in any way excuse past crimes and misdeeds, but it provides nuance and acknowledges facts that were largely overlooked in much, if not all, of the reporting. And so, while it is true that before 2002 most, if not all, bishops made serious errors (sometimes on the basis of flawed advice from mental health and treatment professionals), it is not fair to overlook the major changes in policy and practice that have been adopted and implemented, nor is it fair to characterize all bishops as turning a blind eye, ignoring victims and their families, protecting offenders, and guarding the church's reputation at all costs.

The learning curve for dealing with these issues has been long and slow--too long and too slow. But the same can be said for society in general, including families, youth organizations, and other churches and institutions, both public and private. Put simply, society understands these issues much better now than it did decades ago: for us in the church it means that we have come to realize that the sexual abuse of children is not just a grave sin, but also a serious crime, and that it is, in almost every case, treatable but not curable. Some bishops awakened to these realities rather quickly and took them to heart decades ago; others, sadly, were slow to act.

The church is global. The church exists in countries around the world where cultural differences are well beyond our experience or comprehension. For that reason it shouldn't be too surprising that issues of sexual abuse and cover-up are not the same everywhere and that only today are we beginning to hear stories coming out of places like Africa and India. In spite of all our cultural differences, however, the church must adopt enlightened--and, as far as possible--unified approaches for dealing with these issues. The current meeting in Rome is an important step in that direction but only a step, and three days of dialogue, reflection, and meeting with victims can hardly be expected to heal this long-festering wound. If, during the meeting, the most important issues are identified, mistakes owned and repented, and a comprehensive course of action adopted, that is probably as much as we should expect. For now.

The debate within the church at the present time regarding the causes underlying sexual abuse is an extremely important one involving very complex issues. Some would narrow it all down to mandatory celibacy for priests, others want to blame gays within the priesthood, others the general sexual permissiveness within our culture, and still others the clerical culture within the church that places priests on a pedestal and gives them an inordinate amount of power. I think it is safe to say that, despite claims made by representatives of various ideological factions within the church, the jury is still out when it comes to identifying all the causes. My prayer is that this week's meeting of bishops with Pope Francis – who is committed to finding solutions and has been very candid about admitting his own mistakes – will begin a frank discussion of the causes, and open the way to necessary changes and reforms, no matter how sweeping. I also hope that those bishops who have made quite clear their opposition to Pope Francis and his leadership, will set aside polemics and divisiveness and work together with him to find lasting solutions to the crisis we are facing.

Let me close with this thought. We will do well to keep in mind that the church has dealt with grave crises and scandals many times throughout its long history and, thanks to the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the courageous witness of saints beyond number, the church has been deepened, purified, and energized. And I would add that none of the evils we are dealing with – no matter how grave – is able to undo the immense amount of good that the church, the holy yet sinful People of God, accomplishes every day in our parishes, ministries, and institutions here and around the world. We in this parish are witnesses to this every day – in fact, we are part of it. All of which puts me in mind of a recent editorial in *America* magazine, by its editor, Father Matt Malone. He writes: *"In any given hour, on any given day, the news in the church is more good than bad. Much more. By a magnitude of millions more. That's because most of the news in the church is the Good News of Jesus Christ. That's something we know as people of faith, but it is also empirically true: Every day millions, billions of people are served by the church, helped and healed through its sacraments, and accompanied through its social services. Couples marry, children are baptized, young people are confirmed in their faith, sinners are forgiven. This is happening right now as you read this in every place the church calls home."*

My friends, all of us are committed to the holy mission of the church. In this most trying of times, may we find strength in our faith, hope for the future, and the joy that comes from preaching and living the gospel of Christ. I know that you join me, your fellow parishioners, our bishops, and the entire church in praying that we will. May it be so!


Father Michael G. Ryan

ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR THE

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:00)

PRELUDE

Christe, aller Welt Trost, BWV 670

Bach

Benedictus in D-flat Major, op. 59/9

Reger

ENTRANCE No. 525 in red Worship hymnal

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

ODE TO JOY

PENITENTIAL ACT

Missa de angelis

Vatican VIII



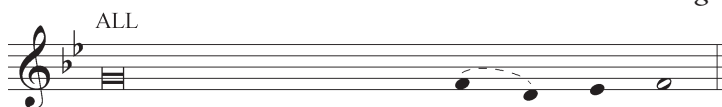
Have _____ mer - cy on us.

WELCOMING OF THE CHILDREN TO BE BAPTIZED (10:00)

GLORIA

Congregational Mass

Lee



*Glory to God in the highest,
We praise you, we bless you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks
Lord God, heavenly King,
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
you take away the sins of the world,
you take away the sins of the world,
You are seated at the right hand
of the Father,
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
with the Holy Spirit,*

ALL
and on earth peace to peo- ple of good will.
we a- dore you,
for your great glory.
O God, almighty y Fa- ther.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
have mer- cy on us;
re- ceive our prayer;
have mer- cy on us.
you alone are the Most High, Je- sus Christ,
in the glory of God the Father, A - - - men.

OPENING PRAYER (COLLECT)

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 103

Haas



The Lord is kind and mer - ci - ful.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

ALLELUIA

Mode VII



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

All BOW

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

All STAND UPRIGHT

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic
and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Rite of Baptism (10:00am)

INTERCESSIONS AND LITANY OF SAINTS Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

BLESSING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

PROFESSION OF FAITH *All join in the response, I do.*

ACCLAMATION FOLLOWING EACH BAPTISM

Herbolsheimer

Please, no applause following the baptisms.

SPRINKLING WITH BAPTISMAL WATER

Hurd

ENTRANCE OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED *Please remain seated*

EXPLANATORY RITES

Anointing with Chrism, White Garment Prayer, Presentation of a Lighted Candle

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

Offertory (10:00)

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee.
The darkness and the light to thee are both alike.
God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.
O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee.

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace

Wesley

(Sunday evening)

Jesus, thou Joy of loving hearts;
Thou Fount of life, thou Light of all,
From the best bliss that earth imparts
We stand rejoicing in your sight.

Jesus, thou Joy of loving hearts

CHRISTE REDEMPTOR

SANCTUS

Mass for the City
Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts.____

Heav - en and earth____ are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na, ho -

san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he____ who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

Proulx

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-

claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

AMEN

Proulx

A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Missa de angelis
Vatican VIII

R. 1, 2: have mer - cy on us.

R. 3: give us your peace.

COMMUNION

Narrabo omnia mirabilia tua

I will relate all your wondrous deeds. I will be glad and rejoice in you;
I will sing to the honor of your name, O Most High.

Mode II

(10:00)

The secret of Christ
Shepherd

Low-gluten hosts are distributed at the credence table, near the presider's chair.
When you return to your place, please kneel or be seated.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Lord of all nations, grant me grace

BEATUS VIR



1. Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace To love all
2. Break down the wall that would di - vide Your chil - dren,
3. For - give me, Lord, where I have erred By love - less
4. Give me your cour - age, Lord, to speak When - ev - er
5. With your own love may I be filled And by your



peo - ple, ev - 'ry race To see each mor - tal as I
 Lord, on ev - 'ry side. My neigh - bor's good let me pur -
 act and thought - less word. Make me to see the wrong I
 strong op - press the weak. Should I my - self as vic - tim
 Ho - ly Spir - it willed, That all whose lives are touched by



ought, My kin - dred, whom your love has bought.
 sue, Let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.
 do Will cru - ci - fy my Lord a - new.
 live, Re - mem - b'ring you, may I for - give.
 mine, May know your heal - ing touch di - vine.

PROCESSION

Toccata in D Minor, BWV 538

Bach

Toccata in D Minor, op. 59/5

Reger

St. James Cathedral - Seattle

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

The Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain, Archbishop of Seattle

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CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS

MASS

Sundays 8 - 10 - 12 & 5:30 pm
Weekdays 8:15 & 5:30 pm
Saturdays 8:15 & "Vigil" 5:30 pm

LITURGY of the HOURS Weekdays at 12:10 pm

VESPERS and BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays at 4:00 pm.

BAPTISM Communal celebrations are held monthly. A preparation program for parents and godparents is required. Contact Julianna Castro for information, 206-619-0816.

RECONCILIATION Saturdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm. A communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated four times yearly in preparation for Christmas and Easter.

MARRIAGE A formal program of marriage preparation over a period of several months is required, however, registered parishioners may begin the scheduling process 14 months in advance.

ANOIDING of the SICK A communal celebration is held twice yearly. In case of serious illness, impending surgery, or advanced age, please call the parish office. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick should not be delayed until the person is unconscious or in imminent danger of death. Call the Parish Office for information.

FUNERALS for parishioners, contact Suzanne Lee, 206-654-4640.

CONTEMPLATIVE ECUMENICAL PRAYER, First Fridays, 6:30 pm

TOURS of the CATHEDRAL Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Groups of 4 or more may arrange a tour by calling Corinna Laughlin, 206-264-2086.

CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE Open 11:00 am to 3:00 pm weekdays, after Masses on weekends. Call 206-382-4500 for information

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm.
After-hours Emergency answering service for parishioners: 206-467-3049

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WELCOME, VISITORS! *If you are a visitor to the Cathedral, we want you to know how welcome you are – whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese. For more information about the parish, to register, or to ask a question, visit our **Sunday Help Desk at Coffee Hour**. A Cathedral staff person will be on hand to assist you. Be sure to stop by the **Cathedral Bookstore** after Mass for a wide selection of Cathedral souvenirs as well as Catholic books and gifts.*

FOR YOUR SAFETY At each of the weekend Masses a Seattle police officer is present on the Cathedral campus.

ON THE COVER "The first man, Adam, became a living being, the last Adam a life-giving spirit." *Adam and Eve expelled from the garden.* Detail of the Ceremonial Bronze Doors. Ulrich Henn, artist.

BYRD ENSEMBLE CONCERT *A Polyphonic Feast: Renaissance Music for Special Occasions*, Saturday, March 2 at 8:00pm. Featuring richly scored a cappella vocal music for six to eight parts by composers John Taverner and John Sheppard, the program showcases the musical styles that defined the height of the Renaissance in England. The centerpiece of this concert is Taverner's large-scale mass *Missa Gloria tibi Trinitas*, written for Trinity Sunday. *Information and reserved passes*, 206-919-2471 or www.byrdensemble.com; *pay-as-able parishioner passes*, 206-382-4874 or musicoffice@stjames-cathedral.org.

JOIN THE IMMIGRATION CHAMPIONS In collaboration with a neighbor church, we are organizing a team to participate in the need for a strong public show of support for a family in sanctuary sometime soon. This will likely take the form of a vigil at the USCIS building in Tukwila. We won't know when—neither date nor time—until shortly before the event and it will be on a weekday. *Information*, Caroline Okello, cokello@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4511.

JOIN OUR IMMIGRANT ASSISTANCE TEAM ON A MARYKNOLL IMMERSION TRIP TO EL PASO, TX, July 6-12, 2019, as we put a human face on complex border issues. We will explore the realities, challenges, and interconnectedness with our sisters and brothers on the border. Experience first-hand how economic and immigration policies affect people. Deepen your faith through encounter with their hopes, joys, and struggles. *Information*, Caroline Okello at cokello@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4511.

DROP-IN ART GROUP takes place on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from Noon–2:00pm. *Information*, Nancy Granger, ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4269.

PARISH REMEMBRANCE *Throughout the year, because we are the Cathedral Church, we remember in prayer at Mass and Vespers each of the parishes and missions of the Archdiocese of Seattle on a Sunday near their feast day. This week we pray for the parish of Holy Disciples in Puyallup and the mission church of St. Yves in Harmony.*

Opportunities to Serve

ST. JAMES WINTER SHELTER Are you looking for a way to be a part of the solution to our area's homelessness crisis? There are currently openings for volunteers to stay overnight on the 1st or 2nd Sundays of the month. Overnights welcome up to 14 men, aged 50 and older. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515 or pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org.

BABYSITTERS NEEDED St. James Cathedral offers babysitting for children ages 1-4 during the 10 am and 12:00pm Sunday Masses, during baptism preparation classes, and for special events. Two paid babysitters, who are over the age of 18 and have gone through Safe Environment Training, are on duty at all times. We currently have openings for additional staff. If you like working with children and want to provide a valuable service to the young families of our parish, please apply. *Information*, Suzanne Lee slee@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-654-4640.

VAN DRIVER NEEDED Our Sunday van ministry is an important outreach to senior parishioners who would not be able to get to 10am Mass on Sunday if it weren't for our drivers. **Right now we have a need for just one driver on the third Sunday of the month.** All training provided; background check required. *Information*, Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284 or mlaughlin@stjames-cathedral.org.

RESECHEDULED PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN – SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS Do you volunteer with children or vulnerable adults here at St. James? Safe Environment Training will be offered on Sunday afternoon, March 10 from 1:30pm to 4:30pm in 1EW at Cathedral Place. You must pre-register ONLINE for this class at <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>; go to Seattle Archdiocese, and look for the March 10 class. *Information*, Theresa Van de Ven at 206-219-5822 or tvandeven@stjames-cathedral.org or Suzanne Lee at 206-979-6308 or slee@stjames-cathedral.org.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS YOU We visited a middle-aged disabled woman whose only monthly income is \$197 from the state, plus \$192 in food stamps. She pays less than \$60 each month for rent, thanks to a government subsidy paid directly to her landlord. She is frugal and budgets her money well enough to get by most months. When one of her two sisters died recently on the East Coast, she had a florist send a small bouquet of flowers for the funeral. Paying for those flowers meant she could not pay her rent. We helped with the rent and a few other necessities. We also listened with compassion as she grieved her sister's passing and spoke of how much she misses another East Coast sister who was recently diagnosed with cancer. Your support for our ministry brings material aid and spiritual comfort to many in our parish – thank you! *Information*, Bob Clifford, 206-718-4158 or bobclifford53@gmail.com.



CATHOLIC 101

2/27: ECOLOGICAL SPIRITUALITY
7:00pm, Holy Names Room
SISTER ALEXANDRA KOVATS, CSJP, draws upon the timeless wisdom of nature, the insights of scientists, native people, scripture, theologians and mystics, emphasizing the Christian responsibility to listen to and live in harmony with Earth and to be co-creators with God in shaping the future.

3/27: THE CHURCH IN WESTERN WASHINGTON
7:00pm, Holy Names Room
CORINNA LAUGHLIN offers a whirlwind tour (and show and tell!) of the men and women who built up the Church in Western Washington.

4/24: REMBRANDT & THE FACE OF JESUS
7:00pm, Holy Names Room
FATHER TOM LUCAS, SJ, rector of the Jesuit community at Seattle University, explores Rembrandt's depiction of the face of Christ.

5/22: FAITH & POLITICS
7:00pm, Holy Names Room
LT. GOV. CYRUS HABIB, a parishioner at St. James Cathedral, shares about how he brings his Catholic faith to bear in the political arena.

Information, Maria Laughlin, mlaughlin@stjames-cathedral.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

SPECIAL YOUTH NIGHT TONIGHT Our annual Youth Ministry Oscar Party is tonight, Sunday, February 24 at 5:30pm. Black tie not required (but encouraged)! Come for a chance to win prizes and guess this year's best films. *Information*, Curtis Leighton, cleighton@stjames-cathedral.org.

HOW TO SET ACHIEVABLE HEALTH, WELLNESS & SPIRITUAL GOALS FOR LENT AND BEYOND Are you considering "giving up" something for Lent? Have your New Year's resolutions become a distant memory? Do setting personal goals too often leave you with feelings of shame or self-doubt? Learn how to set achievable goals from a place of plenty rather than lack, and the distinction between value and behavior. Presenter, David Teachout is a licensed mental health counselor who has studied theology and psychology and is a mental group facilitator and coach. Sunday, March 10, Pastoral Outreach Center, 1:30-3:00pm. A light lunch will be served. *Information or to RSVP*, Nancy Granger, ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4269.

Sacred Steps

SACRAMENTAL MOMENTS AT ST. JAMES

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Flordeli Isle.

CATHOLIC 101



Ecological Spirituality

Wednesday, February 27, 2019 | 7:00pm

Holy Names Room, Pastoral Outreach Center

The ecological crisis is also a summons to profound interior conversion...Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience.

Pope Francis, Laudato Si'

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Sister Alexandra is an extraordinary teacher. Please join us!

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Celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. James Cathedral

ADULT CONFIRMATION

A 10-week preparation series for baptized Catholics who have not yet been confirmed.

This is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with your faith, have your questions answered, and become part of a small community of other adults seeking Confirmation...

Sessions begin Wednesday, February 20, 6:30–8:30 pm in Cathedral Place, and continue each Wednesday evening through early May.

For more information, or to register,
Rosanne Michaels, 206-654-4658,
rmichaels@stjames-cathedral.org

YOUTH CONFIRMATION

Any youth who will turn 16 by May, 2019, is eligible to participate in our 10-session Youth Confirmation Program.

Sessions will be held Wednesday evenings beginning **Wednesday, February 20.**

For more information, or to register,
Curtis Leighton, 206-264-2082,
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CHURCH REFORM

A Historical Perspective

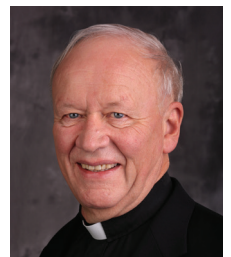
*Reforms to Address the Crisis
& Shape the Future Church*

As we face the current moment in the Catholic Church, we are reminded that the Church has faced times of great crisis and reform in the past.

- ✦ *What major reforms in the history of the Church can shine light on our current crisis?*
- ✦ *What lessons from the past can help us today?*
- ✦ *Most reforms in the past have been led by religious orders; the current reform will require major lay leadership.*

Presenter: Pat Howell, SJ

Interim Director Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture, Seattle University

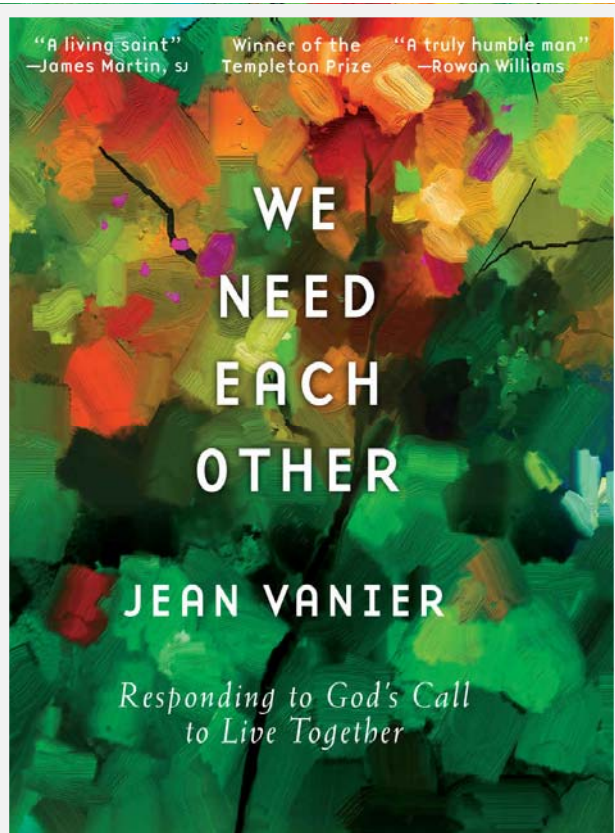


MARCH 9, 2019 • 10am–11:30am

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ALL-PARISH BOOK FOR LENT

We Need Each Other

"Today we are living in a very stressed world. There is a lot of fear and even hatred for those who are different. Jesus came to preach peace and to break down the barriers that separate people. May this little book help each one of us become messengers of peace, of mercy, and of forgiveness."
Jean Vanier

This year, the whole parish is invited to read a book together for Lent. *We Need Each Other* by Jean Vanier is a collection of talks he gave in Kenya in 2008. Published last fall, this volume is Jean Vanier at his best, the perfect reading for the holy season of Lent.

For those who would like to share in a discussion about the book with others, we'll gather for a simple supper and discussion on two Monday evenings during Lent. On the first evening, we'll discuss chapters 1-4 and the following week, chapters 5-7. For those unable to join us for the group discussion, questions for reflection will be published in the bulletin.

Dinner and Discussion
Mondays, March 25 and April 1, 2019
7:00-9:00pm

Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia Street

All are welcome. **RSVP requested for the meals.**
We Need Each Other is available in the Cathedral Bookstore.

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