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Fifth Sunday of Easter

## Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled

*Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be.*

~ John 14:1-3 ~

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus continues to prepare the disciples for the future when he will no longer be physically present to them. He entreats them not to be troubled but to have faith in him and trust that he will not abandon them. Once again, can there be a more appropriate scripture for us to hear in our own quarantined times? Do we believe that our Lord is present to us in the midst of our fears, concerns, and even the passing of loved ones to this horrible virus? These days test our resilience, our understanding of presence, and our faith. How will we persevere?

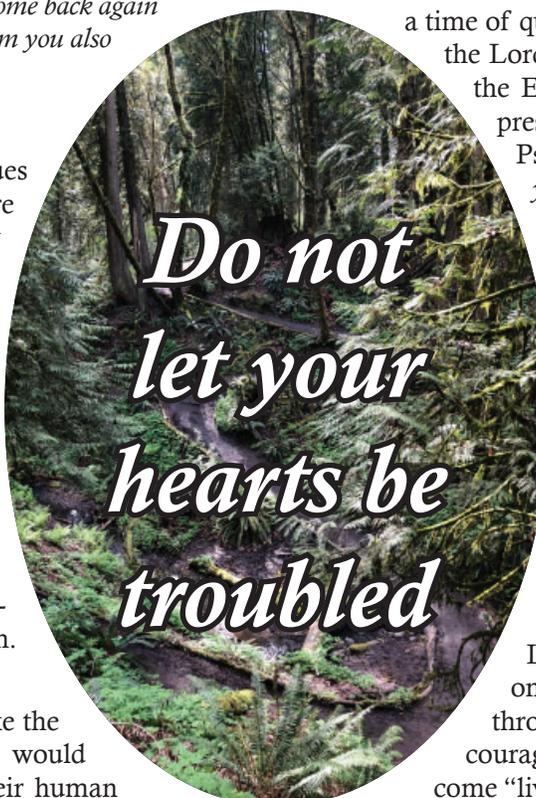
Jesus asks those first disciples to make the "leap of faith" – to believe that he would prepare a place for them beyond their human imaginations, beyond their experience of the present moment. Recall that St. John's Gospel account was the last to be written, nearly 50 or 60 years after Jesus's death and resurrection. The early community's faith was being severely tested by persecution and death, and by their own

doubts and understanding of Jesus' promise to return. They needed eyes of faith, and the support of one another to trust in his blessed assurance.

We stand at a similar threshold of faith. Six weeks into a time of quarantine from gathering on the day of the Lord, from the ability to physically receive the Eucharist, our faith in Christ's abiding presence can be understandably shaken. Psalm 33 invites us to respond, "*Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.*"

Trust is not an act of the intellect, but an attitude of the heart. Are we able to trust – to let our anxieties and fears fall into God's mercy and grace, to accept that we are not in control, but that the Lord has prepared a place for us beyond our imagination, beyond our experience of the present moment? Jesus calls to us as the Word of God: "*Do not let your hearts be troubled.*"

Like those first disciples, we must count on the support of community to carry us through these difficult times. St. Peter encourages the community of believers to become "living stones" – a spiritual house of sacrifice and action. We can respond in prayer, of course, but also by giving and donating food and finances to those in need as we ourselves are able, and by getting involved in relief efforts in the parish community. Ultimately, trust is a verb that invites our actions of hope-filled mercy.



### WEEKDAY SERVICES AT OLL

Daily Homily by Fr. John Kerns available at [www.ollparish.com](http://www.ollparish.com) or view on Facebook @OLLcatholicChurch

Prayer - Church open daily from 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM for individual silent prayer. Please be mindful of social distancing.

### SUNDAY MASSES

Livestream Saturday Vigil at 5:00 PM available at [www.ollparish.com](http://www.ollparish.com)  
Recording available Sunday Morning

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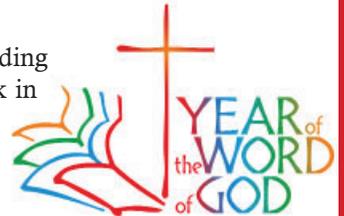
## The Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life

Do you desire to deepen your prayer life and grow in your relationship with God? Do you desire to better discern your deepest desires so as to understand God's call and presence in your life? Do you desire to be reflective, seek God in all things, and draw nearer to Jesus, becoming a Contemplative in Action?

Consider making the **Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL) Retreat**. Applications are now being accepted for 2020-21. Visit our website [www.seelportland.org](http://www.seelportland.org) for more information or call Janet Buck at 503-951-8682.

### YEAR OF THE WORD OF GOD

This year we are encouraging you to read the Bible. Reading Plans available in the Narthex and at the Welcome Desk in the Parish Hall. If you have questions, feel free and we'd be happy to help as well as offer encouragement!



Remember, don't worry about getting behind or starting at a later date. You can go at your own pace or begin where we are. Follow along with our journey of **Reading through the Bible** this year on social media, the weekly emails, and online at [ollparish.com/read-the-bible](http://ollparish.com/read-the-bible).

### This Week's Readings

**Sunday, May 10 • Day 106: Joshua 7-8** (The Israelites are defeated in battle due to them not obeying the Lord), **Psalm 107**, and **2 Thessalonians 1** (Paul gives thanks for the faith of the brothers and sisters at Thessalonica). Visit us on Social Media to share what you are learning!

### Bible Reading Encouragement



Last week, we read the first epistle to the Thessalonians. This is one of the first epistles written by Paul, who briefly visited Thessalonica in Acts 17, where he was run out of town. Although Paul did not spend much time with the believers in Thessalonica, he grew very fond of them as they quickly loved God. Paul wrote to encourage them in their new found faith.

Visit us on Instagram or Facebook to share your thoughts or ask your questions about these passages!

## 40 Cans for Lent



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**Thank you for your support of the Food Drive!**

**SVDP feeds the hungry year round and your donations are always appreciated. Visit our page on the parish website to learn more about what we do and how you can help.**

[www.ollparish.com/svdp](http://www.ollparish.com/svdp)

## Liturgy, Music, & Prayer

### Do Not Let your Hearts be Troubled

The shootings at Columbine High School in April 1999 were a tragedy that shocked the country, and especially a generation of young people. Our society hasn't been the same since, with "lock-down" drills a regular occurrence in pre-quarantined school life. These new Covid-19 experiences of fear, death, and the need for hope will undoubtedly be just as significant for a new generation of teens and all of us.

My friend and co-composer, Steve Angrisano, and I wrote this song as a message of comfort and hope to those young people. Steve was actually a part-time youth minister at the neighboring parish at the time. We wanted to proclaim Christ's presence in the Eucharist as the foundation of our hope as we hear Jesus' words. We'll sing this song as our Offertory hymn at Mass this weekend.

### Come to the Lord

by Steve Angrisano and Tom Tomaszek

1. Do not let your hearts be troubled.  
Children, do not fear.  
Though you suffer as I suffered,  
I am always near.

### Refrain

Come to the Lord;  
come to the table of lasting life.  
Bring your burdens;  
there's no price,  
just come to the Lord.

2. I will never leave you orphans;  
you are not alone.  
I have made your place in heaven,  
in my father's home.

3. Eat this bread and never hunger;  
I will give you life.  
Drink the cup I place before you;  
you will never die.

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### Connect with us!

Besides reading the Bulletin, we encourage you to visit the Website at [ollparish.com](http://ollparish.com) and click on these images for more ways to connect throughout the week.



*We thank all those who contribute to the support of Our Lady of the Lake Church. Our fiscal year runs July 1 through June 30.*

**THIS YEAR:** *Week ending 5/3/2020*  
Weekly Collection: \$52,727  
Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,322,578

**LAST YEAR:**  
Weekly Collection: \$23,253  
Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,304,093

**BUDGET:**  
Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,326,577

### PARISH OFFICE AND CENTER CLOSED DURING COVID-19

Parish phones available  
Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM to  
4:00 PM at 503-636-7687.

Visit our website for more  
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[www.ollparish.com](http://www.ollparish.com).

### Mass Intentions

*Sunday, May 10, 2020*  
For the Parishioners  
*Monday, May 11, 2020*  
+Pius Chow  
*Tuesday, May 12, 2020*  
+Sally Freeman  
*Wednesday, May 13, 2020*  
+Fr. Jim Dallen  
*Thursday, May 14, 2020*  
+Catherine O'Donnell  
*Friday, May 15, 2020*  
+Dominic Brunetti  
*Saturday, May 16, 2020*  
Mass  
*Sunday, May 17, 2020*  
For the Parishioners

Due to COVID-19 and the cancellation of public Masses, only one Intention is able to be said per day by our pastor, Fr. John Kerns, when he presides over a private Mass. The Intentions which are not said on their originally scheduled day are being rescheduled as soon as possible. Upcoming Intentions can be viewed online at visit [www.ollparish.com/intentions](http://www.ollparish.com/intentions).

Please notify the office of any family changes such as address, phone number or email, as well as family additions. Contact Georgeann at 503-636-7687 or [office@ollparish.com](mailto:office@ollparish.com).

## Mercy Teams

### Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy



Thank You parishioners, parish young families, parish teens, for your overwhelming support of our Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy Outreach.

Over 1,000 sack lunches were donated each week on Sundays, April 26 and May 3 using our SAFE Drive Through Drop-Off, between 8:00 and 10:30 AM. As of May 5, we have delivered over 3,000 Meals of Mercy to our most vulnerable. We expect to

exceed 4,000 total deliveries by Mother's Day weekend, May 10/ 11.

Meals have been distributed to St. Francis Dining Hall, Union Gospel Mission's Search & Rescue, The Fathers Heart, St. Michael the Archangel Meals Ministry, Clay Street Station, Salvation Army Female Emergency Shelter, and Clackamas County Sheriffs Homeless Outreach. We have delivered to Long-Term Care Facility workers that have dealt with COVID-19. We also delivered a special meal to the moms and their kids residing at Union Gospel Mission's Life Change for Women and their Children.



We plan to continue the Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy through May 24.

You can sign up to pledge a few sack lunches, help collect or help deliver to the various missions by visiting [www.ollparish.com/mercy-teams](http://www.ollparish.com/mercy-teams).

### Shopping for the Homebound

We have matched 8 homebound parishioners with shopping assistance so far. We have the capacity to do more. If you are aware of a need, please submit that persons contact info to our sign up sheet at [www.ollparish.com/mercy-teams](http://www.ollparish.com/mercy-teams).

## Respect Life



### What is Walking with Moms in Need?

March 25, 2020 marked the 25th Anniversary of St. Pope John Paul II's landmark encyclical, *Evangelium Vitae* (**Gospel of Life**). That anniversary also launched the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Pro-Life Secretariat's national initiative entitled, **Walking With Moms in Need: A Year of Service**.



**Walking with Moms** gives us a wonderful opportunity to assess, expand, and communicate resources to pregnant and parenting moms and families in need, so that our parishes and ministries can serve as "*islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference*" (Pope Francis).

**Did You Know??** On this Mother's Day, we pray in thanksgiving for the gift of all mothers, especially those experiencing difficult or unexpected pregnancies. May they find support in choosing life for their children. We also pray for those couples longing to have a child or mourning the loss of a child. Happy Mother's Day during this year of **Walking with Moms in Need**. For resources to help pregnant women, pick up a "Listen to Your Heart" brochure in the Narthex or call Sharon at 503-675-1874.



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