

St. Peter Claver Catholic Community 13305 Grove Street Detroit, MI 48235

> Advent 2020: Bible Study on Purpose via Zoom: Seek the Gift of Jesus! Healing the Racial Divide [Reflections on The Word with Purpose; John 8:32-33]





4th Week of Advent: HOPE: Encourage Freedom: Everyone Contributing Their Gifts for Others

Monday, December 21, 2020 at 6:30 pm via Zoom repeated Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at 1:00 pm via Zoom

Facilitators: Rev. John Phelps, C.Ss.R. and Mrs. Jennie Sinatra
Pastor Director of Formation

1. Confirmation as Chosen to be Sent as Wounded Healers

- a. Chosen by the Father
 - 1) Those Chosen before Jesus (Ex 2:10; 14; 3:4-7; 1 Sam 16:4; 12; Jer 1:4-10; Dan 1:3-7)
 - 2) Chosen for Jesus (Luke 1:26-38; 57-64)
- b. Chosen by Jesus before death (Matt 5:1, 13-16; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 10:1-15; John 1:35-50)
- c. Chosen by Christ (Resurrection) (John 20:11-18; Acts 9:1-6, 1:15-26)
- d. Chosen by the Apostles (Acts 6:1-6)
- e. Baptized/confirmed (1 Pet 2:9-12)
- f. Why was I chosen?
 - 1) First principle = for mission
 - 2) Second principle = sinners need to be transformed; except Mary
 - 3) Third principle = disciple(ine); (Matt 6) prayer (personal, communal, liturgical), fasting (justice & peace & almsgiving (talent)

2. Invite companions for the journey into the fullness of LIFE

- a. Model for Moses (Ex 18 organizing; Num 11 chooses leaders)
- b. 1 Cor 12:1-11 Gifts and Talents
- c. Eph 4:11-16; Eph 1:4-10



3. Sharing an experience of receiving being chosen to be free

- a. Julia Greeley
- b. Sister Thea Bowman



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4. The Word to Remember – Romans 8:28-39

- a. Process Lifetime unfolding
- b. The End Hope is the message of a companion of Jesus.