



**To Follow Jesus Is To Learn The Lesson Of His Father
Reflection from Fr. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.
June 20, 2021 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Job 38:1-11 & Mark 4:35-41 with 2 Corinthians 5:14-17**

The message that almost screams out to me is, "To be a companion of Jesus means He's in control!" Jesus, sent by His Father, would take the teachings of the prophets, like Job, and fulfill them. The calming of the sea – "Why are you terrified?"

As we remember fathers today, I invite us to look to "Our Father, Who art in heaven." He is guiding us to be companions to His first-born of a new creation. We gradually learn F.A.T.H.E.R. – Faith Aware Trusts the Heart Empowering Reconciliation.

Faith! Job lost all that gave him meaning and security. Eventually he questioned God. The disciples, seasoned fishermen, were terrified by the storm. They went to wake up Jesus. Both came to faith through doubt. Then faith will be faithful – it's out of sight.

Aware! Paul comes to the insight of the New Creation by seeing the results of living in the flesh of fallen human nature. It was the love of Christ that impelled him to let go of being in control of the future. He took control of himself, with Jesus as his guide.

Trusts! Who can't remember, if we're old enough to reflect on our past, someone whom we trusted that broke our trust? When it happens, we feel hurt that may lead to anger or hopelessness. It had to be this way. No one can take God's place.

Heart! Listen to how we feel, when our giving is not respected, is a way to get an insight into Jesus' passion and death. Jesus lived what He taught. Jesus forgave those He loved so that they would be offered unconditional love that doesn't end in death.

Empowers! What energy we feel when we get a glimpse of the God Who lifts us up and sets us free to love as He loves. I found its meaning when a person who would not forgive me, came back after fifteen years to say, "I'm sorry. I forgive you."

Reconciliation! The lesson that is learned when the time is right. It may come when we may least expect it. But it defines the vocation of a father. How do I know? The Father sent His Son because He loves us so much. He knows we are sinners. We sin against each other. His message is eternal. His Son's heart is bleeding to heal us.

Celebrating Our Graduates

During next week's Mass (June 27), we will recognize all those in our parish celebrating graduations - kindergarten, elementary school, middle school, college, etc. Stephanie Flounory has cards available for you to provide graduation information for yourself, for your child, or for you grandchild. Or you can send information to Stephanie via text (313-740-9689) or email (s.flo629@gmail.com).

Praise Dancers

Our young Apprentices-In-Motion Praise Dancers will help us celebrate the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother on Sunday, August 15, at our 10:00 a.m. Mass. If you have a child or grandchild who might enjoy joining in this fun activity that enhances our worship experience, contact Stephanie Flounory. Costumes are provided, and no prior dance experience is required. A rehearsal schedule will be provided. Let's celebrate Mary's glorious entry into heaven with dance and praise!

Happy Father's Day!!!

Today we honor the men of the parish celebrating Father's Day - fathers, step-fathers, grandfathers, uncles, brothers, male mentors, etc. We also remember the men who have played important roles in our lives, many of whom are no longer with us. May God bless all those men who give of themselves for the sake of our youth.

COVID-19 Protocols

We continue to follow the Archdiocese's recommendations regarding COVID-19 protocols, including:

- Fully vaccinated individuals no longer are required to wear face masks in church or to maintain social distancing.
- Anyone who is not fully vaccinated must wear a face mask and maintain social distancing in church.

We recognize each individual's decision on these matters. Please respect others by wearing a mask if you are not fully vaccinated, and by maintaining social distancing when someone is wearing a mask or indicates a desire for caution, especially as we share the sign of peace or enjoy fellowship after Mass.

Our Mission Statement

Having reflected on the "four faces of our parish," **St. Peter Claver Catholic Community**, chosen by the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, and under the guidance of Mary, resolves that: 1) we will provide more opportunities for deepening prayer life and faith life for youth, young adults, and adults; 2) we will initiate efforts to reach out and re-connect with those individuals and families who have disconnected from the Church; 3) we will collaborate with other faith communities and organizations within our parish to offer ecumenical events/activities (e.g., neighborhood clean-ups, prayer meetings, health fairs); and, 4) we will utilize resources within our parish community to advocate for education and to promote social justice issues.

Temporary Relocation

While the Marygrove Conservancy is upgrading the fire suppression system and performing other maintenance activities in the Sacred Heart Chapel, we will celebrate liturgy here in Madame Cadillac Hall. We expect to return to the main church in July. Updates will be provided on the parish website.



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A Father Looks Back

Longtime country music singer the late Kenny Rogers had a song called "Water and Bridges," which highlights a father's pain after losing a child to abortion. Rogers told CNN that the song is not about him, but is "really about choices you make when you're young that you pay for when you're old." He goes on to explain, "It starts off with a young couple who have an abortion, and the guy says, 'If a father could hold his son, I could undo what's been done, but I guess everyone is living with water and bridges.'" Counseling and healing is available for any man or woman who has lost a child to abortion. See www.RachelsVineyard.org for details.

Eucharistic Heart of Jesus Intercessory Prayer Team

Beverly Alessio, Inez (Retinella) Alls, Florine Anderson, Alberta Asmar, Sylvia Baker, Warren Bridges, Donald & Barbara Carter, Michael Clarence Carter, Johnnie Davis, Peggy Endlein, Ara Grier, Sandra Griffin, Karen Hickman, Myrtis Hildebrandt, Jacqueline Johnson, Bobbie Lewis, Addison Martin, Augusta Martin, Dorothy (Vicki) Martin, Charles Nelson, Joan S. Noland, Nancy Oberhausen, Grady & Celestine Parker, Fred & Villa Ray, Romaine Redd, Flossie Ryles, Jeanne Schuldt, Irene Scott, Gussie Seay, Augusta Starks, Mary Tyler, Christine Versele, Helen Wajda, Anna Washington, Lillie Washington, Carmel Weems, Leonard & Ona Wilson

Also, Please Remember in Prayer:

Wayne Bradley, Olivia Boulden, Christopher Durant, Rochelle Evans, Kiara Harris, Marley Jonah, Mary Caroline Jonah, Johnetta Mutes, Elke Rittenhouse, Elaine Ryles, Terrence Tidwell, Charles Tilghman, Jon Viado, Vickee Viado, Constance Washington-Daniel, Larry Washington, and relatives of our parishioners

Ministers Schedule

June 27, 2021

Celebrant: Rev. John Phelps, C.Ss.R.

Minister of Service: Bill Tidwell

Lector: Arianna Caderao

Meetings/Events This Week

Sunday 10:00 am Mass in Church and via Zoom
Tuesday 10:00 am St. Vincent de Paul at Mt. Lebanon
7:00 pm Vicariate Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday 11:00 am Lectio Divina via Zoom
Saturday 11:00 am Knights of Peter Claver
Sunday 10:00 am Mass in Church and via Zoom
2:00 pm Knights of Peter Claver

Legend: PH=Parish House; MC=Marygrove College
Church refers to the Sacred Heart Chapel at Marygrove College
For the "live" Parish Calendar, go to spcccdetroit.org

Sacramental Preparation

Are you, or someone you know, interested in joining the Catholic Church or receiving one of the sacraments? Please contact Jennie Sinatra at the Parish Office.

Collection Results

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Mass: Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Church
(Check the bulletin for holy days and special services)

Reconciliation: Before Mass or By Appointment

Parish Office Hours: Parish Staff is currently working from home. Please contact Ed Shea if you require assistance.

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