

St. Mary's Episcopal Parish

Our Mission is

*— To be the hands & heart of Christ,
so that all may know Christ and make Him known—*



**The Second Sunday of Easter
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II
April 27th, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.**

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people standing,

Hymn #711

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

Seek ye first



1 Seek ye — first the king - dom of God
 2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you,

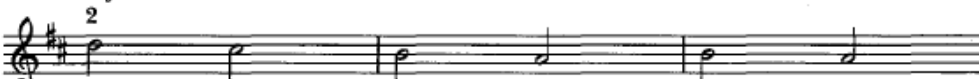


and its right - eous - ness, and all these things shall be
 seek, and ye shall find, knock, and the door shall be



add - ed un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
 o - pened un - to you; Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

Refrain



2 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

The Celebrant says,

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The Celebrant then continues,

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn #S280

Glory to God in the highest,

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly



King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy



on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



The Celebrant says to the people,

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated

First Reading

Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:14-29 *Confitemini Domini (Read Alternatively by half verse)*

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, *

but he did not hand me over to death.

19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *

I will enter them;

I will offer thanks to the LORD.

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; *

he who is righteous may enter."

21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *

and have become my salvation.

22 The same stone which the builders rejected *

has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the LORD's doing, *

and it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 On this day the LORD has acted; *

we will rejoice and be glad in it.

25 Hosannah, LORD, hosannah! *

LORD, send us now success.

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *

we bless you from the house of the LORD.

27 God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; *

form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; *

you are my God, and I will exalt you."

29 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *

his mercy endures for ever.

Second Reading

Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation (*Please stand for the proclamation of the Gospel*)

Hymn #178 (*v 1, 2, 3*) Jesus is Lord of all the earth

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give Praise to his Name.

1 Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation.

Refrain

2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and has risen.

Refrain

3 We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live for ever.

Refrain

Gospel

John 20:19-31

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in

my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ!**

Hymn #178 (v 4)

Jesus is Lord of all the earth

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give Praise to his Name.

4 Come, let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Savior

Refrain

Please be seated

Homily

The Rev. Donald Goodheart

GLOW Presentation

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Celebrant Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

All Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing. Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Philippians 2.6-11

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

In joy and hope let us pray to the Father.

Leader That our risen Savior may fill us, and all the community of St. Mary’s Church & Day School with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection, we pray to the Father.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That isolated and persecuted churches may find fresh strength in the good news of Easter, we pray to the Father.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That God may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian love, we pray to the Father.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That he may provide for those who lack food, work or shelter, we pray to the Father.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That by his power war and famine may cease through all the world, particularly in Ukraine, the Middle East, and other areas where there is armed conflict, we pray to the Father.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That he may reveal the light of his presence to the sick, the weak and the dying, to comfort and strengthen them, particularly those hurting within our communities [Joan, Jackie, Annie, Anna, Martha, the Mitchell family, the Davis Family, Chick, Lisa, Barbara, Calvin, Debby, the Hutchins family, Helen, the Nunn family, the García family, Jacob, Kris, Sandra, Danielle, Linda, Prudence, Andrew, Lily, Mary, Carmen, Joan, Robert, Tammy, Rachel, Jane, Cal and Melissa, Gene, Lynda, the Camidge family, Alice, Gary, Helen, Tracie, and others we now remember silently or out loud...], we pray to the Father.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That, according to his promises, all who have died in the faith of the resurrection may be raised on the last day, [specially...], we pray to the Father.

All **Hear our prayer.**

Leader That he may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection, we pray to the Father.

All **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds the following collect,

Heavenly Father, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant that, as his death has recalled us to life, so his continual presence in us may raise us to eternal joy; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE & OFFERTORY

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Offertory Anthem

LEVAS #201

I've Got Peace Like a River

1. I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a
2. I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a
3. I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an

1. riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er in my
2. foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain in my
3. o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in my

1. soul; _____ I've got riv - er in my soul. _____
2. soul; _____ I've got foun - tain in my soul. _____
3. soul; _____ I've got o - cean in my soul. _____

Words: Traditional. Music: Negro Spiritual.

*The Old One Hundredth (v. 3) follows,
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant
People

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds,

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Hymn #S130

Sanctus

Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828)

arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

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

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

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

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues,

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us

to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues,

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

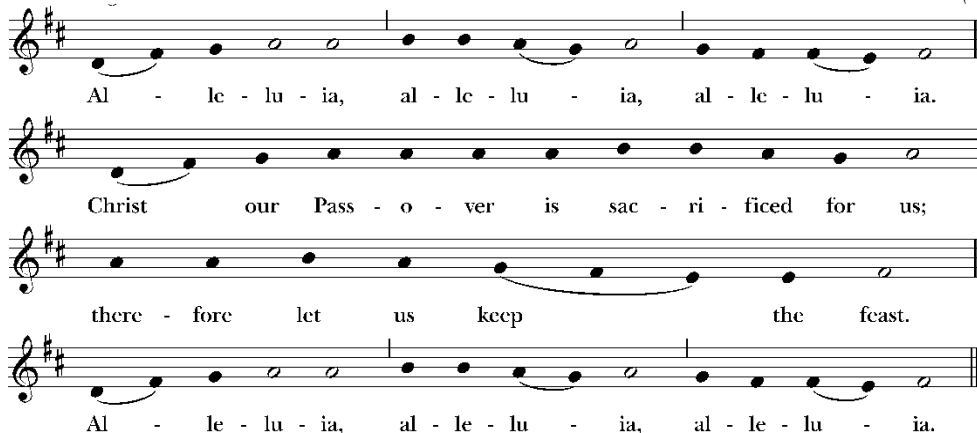
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then, the following is sung

Hymn #S154

Fraction Anthem

David Hurd (b. 1950)



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Hymn LEVAS #192

I Need Thee Every Hour



1. I need thee ev - 'ry hour, Most gra - cious__
2. I need thee ev - 'ry hour, Stay thou near__
3. I need thee ev - 'ry hour, In joy or__
4. I need thee ev - 'ry hour, Teach me thy__

1. Lord; No ten - der voice like thine Can peace — af - ford.
 2. by; Temp - ta - tions lose their power When thou — art — nigh.
 3. pain; Come quick - ly and a - bide, Or life — is — vain.
 4. will, And thy rich prom - is - es In me — ful - fill.

I need thee, O I need thee, Ev - 'ry hour I need thee; O

bless me now, my sav - ior, I come — to thee.

Words: Annie S. Hawks (1835-1918). Music: Robert Lowry (1826-1899).

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

The Bishop when present, or the Priest, gives the blessing

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make

you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn #293

I sing a song of the saints of God



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, _____
2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and _____
3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who _____ toiled and _____ fought and _____
his love _____ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for _____
hund - reds of thou - sands still, the _____ world is _____ bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And _____
Je - sus' sake, the _____ whole of their good lives long. And _____
joy - ous saints who _____ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -
one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was _____ slain
meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the _____ green: they were all of them saints of _____
by a fierce wild _____ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son _____
or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of _____ God are just



herd - ess on the green: they were all of them saints of—
 by a fierce wild beast; and there's not an - y rea - son—
 or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of God are just



God— and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
 no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.
 folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

Words: Lesbia Scott (1898-1986), alt. Music: *Grand Isle*, John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945).

The Deacon dismisses the people with these words,

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

**Announcements for
 The Second Sunday of Easter
 Sunday, April 27th, 2025**

Saints for April 27th— Easter II

Altar Guild: St. Martha

Eucharistic Minister: Debra Smietanski (8)

Reader: Reed Russell

Sunday School: No Sunday School

Altar Flowers: Karen Coleman

Counters: Lindsey Hardee & Ken Wiebeck

Eucharistic Minister: Yemi Owi (10)

Prayers: Yemi Owi

Ushers: Carrie Krieger & Newton Owi

Coffee Hour Snacks: Dan O'Neal

Welcome Guests!

We are glad you are our guest today. Please join us for coffee hour after the 10 a.m. service. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please fill out the blue card in the pew in front of you, drop it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher. We would love to get to know you, and hope that you return to St. Mary's soon.

If you wish to have someone listed in the published Prayers of the People, or a confidential prayer request, please call or email the church office.

We pray for those in need of healing: Joan, Jackie, Annie, Anna, Martha, the Mitchell family, the Davis Family, Chick, Lisa, Barbara, Calvin, Debby, the Hutchins family, Helen, the Nunn family, the García family, Jacob, Kris, Sandra, Danielle, Linda, Prudence, Andrew, Lily, Mary, Carmen, Joan, Robert, Tammy, Rachel, Jane, Cal and Melissa, Gene, Lynda, the Camidge family, Alice, Gary, Helen, and Tracie

St. Mary's Cycle of Prayer: Kerry & Deborah Abington; Brian & Joo Hooi Albritton; Gary & Helen Baines; Pam Baines; and Beverly Balcom

Birthdays (4/20-5/4): Jessie Cagle, Steve Meininger, Randy Willis, Michael Diament, Alexander Wiebeck, and Dee Fulghum

Anniversaries (4/20-5/4): Carlo & Margaret Bruno, Rick & Paige Hampton, and Ryan & Jenna Milavickas

GLOW Presentation



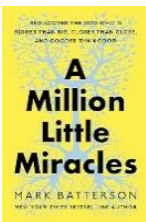
Thank you to the SMEDS GLOW students for their inspiring presentation at the 10 a.m. service today, showcasing their ministry within our St. Mary's Parish and Day School. We especially thank McLean Murphy, Lu Anne Dinglasan Lau, Britney McRae, Marie Mosley, and Laura Frazier for their leadership and teaching of these 2nd-4th grade girls.

Bishop Scharf's Visit – May 4



The Rt. Rev. Douglas Scharf, Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Southwest Florida will be visiting our parish and leading us in worship on Sunday May 4th. He will be performing the episcopal rites of baptism, confirmation and reception into the church. Christian Cole LaFace will be baptized. The confirmands are Bryan Matthew Carlstedt, Jennifer Katherine James Dampier, Camilla Kate Diament, Lilyla Terril Hackney, and Camille Estelle Lee.

Women's Bible Study



Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the library/conference room. On April 30th, we start a 6-week course on the book "A Million Little Miracles" by Mark Batterson (buy on Amazon). Please contact Renee Garcia (renee12garcia@gmail.com) for more information.

Adult Christian Education



Adult Christian Education meets on Sundays at 9 a.m. in the library/conference room. You can also join via Zoom. We are studying the scriptures (readings and Psalms) from our lectionary. Contact Dan O'Neal (danieloneal33629@gmail.com) for more information.

St. Mary's Senior Lunch, April 30



Seniors, please join us for a wonderful time celebrating Easter with good food and warm fellowship at our next Senior Luncheon on April 30th. Meet in the chapel for Holy Communion at noon, followed by a potluck lunch in St. Mary's Hall. RSVP to jooahooialbritton@hotmail.com or 813-416-0540 (call or text) with what you would like to contribute to our lunch.

Upcoming Events

April 30 – St. Mary's Senior Lunch

May 4 – Bishop Scharf visits St. Mary's, 8 & 10 a.m. services

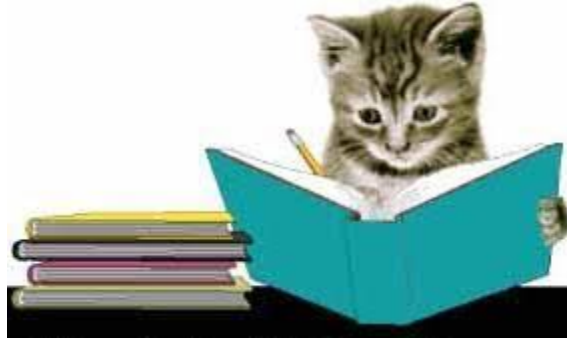
May 7 – SMEDS Baccaalaureate service during chapel

May 11 – Mother's Day

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

You may have heard that we have decided to re-launch a congregational survey tool similar to the exercise we did two years ago for the purpose of strategic planning; but this time, our survey will be geared towards our new rector search. Members within our parish community will receive a survey called a Congregation Assessment Tool (CAT), which will provide key indicators of our congregational health along with areas of challenge and potential growth. It will help us to collect and understand the range of views that exist at St. Mary's and the possibilities, willingness, capacity, and energy for moving our ministry into the future.

If we have your current email address, within the next few days, you will receive a web link to complete the assessment online. If you would prefer to take the assessment using a paper copy, please stop by the office, and we will provide one for you along with an envelope.

NOTE: If there is only one email address for all members of your household, it may be tempting to have one person take the survey on behalf of the family. However, please be sure your spouse and all young adults living in your home have an opportunity to complete the survey. **INDIVIDUAL INPUT** is key to our gaining insight into overall perceptions and experiences.

Please set aside enough time to answer all the questions. This will probably take about 30-40 minutes. All survey responses are strictly anonymous.

Thank you for your willingness to be a part of this congregational assessment and for helping to build St. Mary's future. If you have questions, please contact Carrie Krieger at ckrieger@juster-associates.com, or via phone at (218) 349-7936.

THANK YOU to all the St. Mary's saints who tirelessly worked to make Easter Day extra special. Here are some pics from our Easter celebration! Check out the newsletter for more photos!



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