

SEVEN DOLORS & ST. PATRICK'S PARISHES

SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH, 2020 + 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

***For the greater glory of God,
we will do as Christ tells us.***

A Message from Fr Kerry

Bored, Restless, Antsy, Morose? With the stay-at-home order, I am sure many of us can identify with one or more of these words. It is quite the time!

Some spiritual writers today are remembering a time in the 300-400's of the Church's history. Amidst the chaos of the falling of the Roman Empire, many people were flying to the desert to find peace and connection with God. In time some of them joined together to become monks in monasteries. These early monks thought this would be a great opportunity to throw aside all distractions and enter into the silence of God. But this time of isolation was not as easy as first thought.

In time, many began to experience what they called acedia. It was defined as a sense of restlessness, spiritual unease and urge to escape the harsh demands of monastic life. Some actually "ran back" to town for a time. The elders advised the community not be too harsh on them when they returned. (Sound familiar?)

One of the ways these early monks learned to cope was to have a very established routine. The Benedictine day of seven times set aside for prayer comes out of this. And so, I advise setting a routine for each day. I know I am: time for prayer, time to work, to eat, relax after, read a bit, pray a bit, take a walk, watch only 30 minutes of news, make a phone call, watch a favorite TV show, eat chocolate thank someone, etc.

Two final matters. One is to pray the psalms as some of them really cry out frustration to God. Psalm 137 recounts the people in exile longing to sing their psalms in the temple in Jerusalem (sound familiar). I will note the last line is horrible. It expresses a feeling in the depths of despair but does not say it was done. They were real! Psalm 142 is very good as well.

And look up the word acedia in Wikipedia. It isn't just depression or boredom. But it is real. The ancients may have called it a spiritual virus. They survived and so shall we (some ideas from Kathleen Norris).

Parish Priests

Pastor, Fr. Kerry Ninemire

Retired In Residence, Fr. Merlin Kieffer

Hispanic Ministry/Retired In Residence, Fr. Norbert Dlabal

+Daily and Weekend Mass Viewing:

We are excited to announce that you are now able to view daily Mass at Seven Dolores online. There are two options available.

1. Visit the Seven Dolores website main page and click "Daily Mass" on the scrolling header.
2. If you have a Facebook account, visit the Seven Dolores page and watch it there.

Daily Mass will be available on both sites by 2 pm every weekday and by 5 pm on Saturdays.

+SDCW Dues envelopes are in your monthly packet of tithing envelopes. Active member dues are \$10 and inactive are \$20.

+The Made for More event scheduled for May 13, 2020 has been postponed until 2021. We will post more details as they become available to us.

+A New series of GriefShare sessions will begin Monday, April 27 at 6:30p.m. using Zoom. Whether it's been one month or 10 years, GriefShare helps deal with the emotions you feel after the death of your loved one. If you are interested in registering for these sessions, email Rosie at formation@sevendolors.com for information. You will need to download the Zoom app. Instructions are on our website.

+Mass Schedule and Intentions: We are still accepting requests for Masses. Please email Margie at office@sevendolors.com, or call her at 785-499-3101 between 9 am and 5 pm during the week. The Mass intentions for April 26-May 1 are as follows:

April 26 - +Steve Konz
April 27 - SI Essential Workers
April 28 - For the Parish
April 29 - +Beloved Dead
April 30 - +Joe Boyle
May 1 - SI Those who are ill

+Finance Report:

Last Sunday's Collection	\$	14,834.00
Average Needed Weekly	\$	10,442.31

For sacraments of baptism, matrimony or anointing of the sick, please contact the parish office.

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Tom & Toy Addair	Charles L Kramer & Families	Juanita Silva
Beihl Family	Diane Lavis	P.R. Silva
Beloved Family	Leonard Lavis	Family Steen Family
Blacker-Thomas deceased	Keith Lavis	George "Mick" Stevenson
Joe Boyle	Jim Mallon	Mr & Mrs William Still
Phyllis Boyle	Martel Family	Bill Still
Ed & Bonnie Burns	Mike Pachta	Mr & Mrs Dan Still
Deverlkotte Family	John J Perbeck, Jr Family	Tom & Estelle Sturr
Edwards Family	Bill & Bonnie Quinn	Howard Tubbs
Jim Faye	James Quinn	Donald Ubel
Myrtle Fisher	Okema Rhodes	Lucile Ubel
Bishop Fitzsimons	Warren Rhodes	Frank K Vera Family
Gleue Family	Riley Family	Eleanor Vilkanskas
Greavey Family	Mr & Mrs Leland Roberts	John Vilkanskas, Sr
Gene Grubaugh	Bob Rogers, Jr	Judy Waymire
David Hagenkamp	Bob Rogers, Sr	Kirk Waymire, Jr
Helen Hale	Lawrence & Grace Rowe	Doretha Wells
Mr & Mrs Ray Hall	Michael P Scroggin	Westgate Family
Raymond Hall	Lee & Katie Sexton	Nancy Westgate Myron
Mary Hall	Amy Sexton	Louie & Pearl Zey
Al & Bee Herman	Dee Dee Sexton	
John Jones Family	John & Delaila Silva	
Mr & Mrs Nick Kohn	John & Santos Silva	
Joe Kohn	Chris Silva	
Robert Kohn	Teresa Silva	



*Easter Flower Honors and
Memorials*