

WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR JANUARY 12, 2020

NEW HERE?

MASS TIMES:

Saturday ~ 5:00pm
Sunday ~ 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm
Mondays ~ 8:30am
Tuesdays ~ 8:30am
Wednesdays ~ 6:00pm
Thursdays ~ 8:30am (Word/Communion Service)
Fridays ~ 8:30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Private) ~ Saturdays 4:00-4:30pm

Interpreter for hearing impaired at 11:00am Mass.

Nursery provided for infants through age 4 during Sunday Mass times.

SACRAMENTS AND PRAYER:

Baptism ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/baptism
Confirmation ~ info at www.paxchristi.com/confirmation
First Eucharist ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/eucharist
First Reconciliation ~ registration/info at www.paxchristi.com/reconciliation
Marriage and Wedding Prep ~ www.paxchristi.com/marriage
Rosary ~ Rosary prayed following weekday morning Masses.

Questions? Contact Andrea in the parish office, 952-405-7207.

THIS IS NEW MEMBER SIGN UP WEEKEND:

This is new member signup weekend. If you have been attending Pax Christi but haven't registered as a parishioner, we extend an invitation for you to see one of our shared ministers after Mass this weekend to assist you with the registration process. You are also welcome to stop by the parish office anytime for a registration packet. Additional information is available at www.paxchristi.com/aboutus.

PAX CHRISTI NEWS MONTHLY MAGAZINE:

Are you receiving the Pax Christi News magazine? This monthly publication is mailed each month to all registered members. If you are visiting Pax Christi, feel free to pick up a complimentary copy from the front desk receptionist. If you are a registered member and not receiving it, contact Melissa Nault in the parish office, 952-405-7221.

ON-SITE 12-STEP SUPPORT GROUPS:

AA, Saturday Sisters AA for Women, Al-Anon/Prairie Peace, and Overeaters Anonymous meet weekly to offer listening, guidance, and hope for those working to overcome a specific addiction interfering with their lives.

A NOTE FROM FR MIKE BYRON

Dear Friends:

Over time I have discovered that the best way to learn a new thing is to be pushed out of your comfort zone. That's true in academic study, in skill development, and in life experience. It is certainly true in ministry. Most of the things that I now do routinely are things that once scared me to death until I was forced into a new situation. A few examples...



As a young man I was aware that I was very uncomfortable being around elderly people with dementia, particularly in what we used to call "nursing homes." I was kind of frightened by them. Then my grandmothers (both of them) moved in to the same residence, and I realized I'd either have to deal with my discomfort or never see them again. Of course, I got over it—and it wasn't very hard. The first time I ever preached on a Sunday morning was in the chapel of what was then Fairview Riverside Hospital in Minneapolis, where I was doing my chaplaincy internship. I felt inadequate, having only a year of seminary under my belt and being the only Catholic in my cohort at a non-Catholic hospital. But I did it anyway because I had to in order to get credit for the course. My first time presiding at a funeral was during that same season at the chapel at Lakewood Cemetery. It was for a hospital patient I'd come to know who didn't have a church and for whom I was the closest thing that family knew to be a clergyman. We followed a service format from the Lutheran Book of Worship, with which I was previously completely unfamiliar. Again, it was very disquieting for me to be in that role, but I wasn't going to say no to the wishes of that man's family. And we all survived (well, except for the deceased).

And the first time I presided and preached in a real church before a Sunday parish congregation was at the Methodist church in the town of Florence, Colorado, the following summer. I spent a few months living and working at the Catholic parish there, amazingly at my own initiative. I'd gotten to know the local clergy in that small town, and one weekend the Methodist pastor and his wife (who was the pastor at the Presbyterian church) wanted to take a vacation, so they asked me to fill in for them. Again I felt completely over my head in that task, but I did it because they asked me to. (Note: This would not happen if the religious denominational roles were to be reversed. The Methodists are quite a bit less tortured with the question of who is allowed to preach to them!)

Today's seminarians do not have the opportunity for that same breadth of experience and challenge. Their pastoral internships are now constricted to Catholic places and their formal curricular encounter with "multiculturalism" is a January trip to Rome. I regret that as a loss because I'm not sure of the extent to which comfort zones will be much challenged, and I believe that's how a person grows.

I think of all this today because of the recent death of Fr. Michael Murray O.S.B., who was the pastor who welcomed me to come to Colorado for that summer all those years ago without knowing who I was. He allowed, and sometimes required, me to do pastoral things that otherwise would not have happened. He was my teacher just by being a mentor, and I will always be grateful for his pushing me out of the zone.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Michael Byron". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY JAMBOREE

The Call of the Shared Minister

Saturday, January 25, 5:00–8:00pm

You've been called! In appreciation of all Pax Christi shared ministers, please plan to attend January Jamboree, the Call of the Shared Minister. After a celebratory Mass on Saturday evening, join us for tasty appetizers and foamy beverages. Take a moment to visit with fellow parishioners, tell your stories, or have fun in the game area. Chase away the January winter cold with the warmth of laughter and fellowship. Enjoy all the gifts that make this community of faith so amazing.

MEN AND CHURCH FEATURING FR MIKE BYRON

An Evening for the Men of Pax Christi

Tuesday, January 14, 6:30–8:00pm, Room 212 RSVP

SWGCI WINTER GRIEF SERIES RSVP

THURSDAYS, JANUARY 16–FEBRUARY 27, 5:30–7:30pm, St. Hubert's

SENIOR HIGH WINTER RETREAT

January 17-19, Episcopal House of Prayer, \$25 RSVP

JUSTICE SPEAKER SERIES - CLIMATE JUSTICE

THE POWER OF NEUTRALITY

Sunday, January 19, 2020 12:30–2:00pm, Room 212, No Fee RSVP

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR DAY MASS

Monday, January 20, 9:00am in the Chapel

MOMS ROCK: SPEAKER HOLLY HANSON, MD

Wednesday, January 22, 9:30–11:30am, Room 212, \$10 RSVP

BOOK CLUB: THE FRIENDSHIP OF WOMEN

Two Six-Week Options: Mondays, 6:30pm, beginning January 20 or

THURSDAYS, 10:00am, beginning January 23 RSVP

LABYRINTH WALK

Tuesday, January 27, 6:30–8:30pm RSVP

FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Friday, February 7, beginning with Mass at 8:30am

CALLING ALL SCOUTS!

Sunday, February 9, 9:00am Mass

ANNUAL CANA DINNER – SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, April 25, 6:00–9:30pm RSVP

ARCHDIOCESAN LISTENING SESSION

Tuesday, January 28, 2020, 6:00-9:00pm, Worship Space

Join other Archdiocesan Catholics for a Listening Session with Archbishop Bernard Hebda. Participants will gather together to pray, discuss, and give feedback on what is working well in their parish and this archdiocese as well as naming the challenges. All are welcome, and all participants will be encouraged to give written feedback that will be read and considered.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday, January 13

8:30am MASS

3:00pm Chair Yoga

6:00pm Justice Grant Board Mtg.

6:30pm Pack 348 Mtg.

6:30pm Troop 370 Mtg.

7:00pm Al-Anon

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

7:30pm Music Ministry

Friday, January 17

8:30am MASS

Tuesday, January 14

8:30am MASS

9:00am Women w/Spirit Bible Study

6:00pm 50+ Basketball

6:30pm Men's Ministry Event

6:45pm Handbell Rehearsal

7:00pm Art Committee Mtg.

7:00pm Environmental Challenge Mtg.

Saturday, January 18

9:00am Women's AA Group

9:00am Overeater's Anonymous

4:00pm Private Reconciliation

5:00pm MASS - FR. BYRON

Sunday, January 19

HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES

9:00am MASS - FR. BYRON

11:00am MASS - FR. BYRON

5:00pm MASS - FR. MURTAUGH

6:30pm Young Married Couples Group

Monday, January 20

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

BUILDING WILL CLOSE FOLLOWING MASS

9:00am MLK DAY MASS

Interpreter for hearing impaired at 11:00am Mass.

Nursery provided during Sunday Mass times.

Rosary prayed following weekday morning Masses.

Wednesday, January 15

9:30am Tot Time Open Gym

11:00am Tai Chi

1:00pm Boomer's Planning Mtg.

1:00pm Just Matters

5:15pm Faith Formation Sessions

6:00pm Faith Formation Sessions

6:00pm MASS

Thursday, January 16

8:30am Word/Communion Service

9:30am Quilters Ministry

3:00pm Compassionate Care Group

6:00pm Just Matters

6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball

PRAYER AT PAX CHRISTI

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. –Romans 12:12

For all prayer intentions, visit the "PRAYER" image/link on our home page at www.paxchristi.com.

Please pray for the intentions on the PRAYER WALL or you may enter a prayer request of your own.

Prayer can also be requested by calling 952-405-7229.

REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your generosity!

Week of December 29:

Basket Collection \$14,553

Online Giving 16,659

Other 49,090

Total Week #26 80,302

Budget 72,000

Variance 8,302

YTD Actual 1,439,957

YTD Budget 1,402,000

YTD Variance 37,957

Other contribution methods include grants from donor-advised funds, stock donations, IRA distributions, payroll deductions and other contributions mailed or delivered to the office.

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