# WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI

**WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!** 

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR OCTOBER 6, 2019

# **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. Rosary prayed following weekday morning Masses.

### **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.

### **BEFRIENDER MINISTRY – A LISTENING PRESENCE:**

BeFriender ministers are trained laypersons who are available to offer a listening ear to those who are experiencing a difficult or transitional situation. BeFrienders are here to listen and care; BeFrienders do not give advice or judge, and all conversations are kept confidential.

### **CATHOLIC SPIRIT NEWSPAPER:**

If you are interested in receiving the official publication of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, *The Catholic Spirit*, please contact Maria Miller in the Pax Christi office at mmiller@paxchristi.com or by calling 952-405-4217. This monthly subscription is free to registered Pax Christi members.

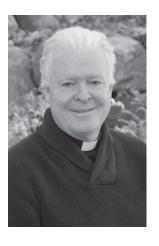
### **ON-SITE 12-STEP SUPPORT GROUPS:**

Alcoholics Anonymous, Saturday Sisters AA for Women, Al-Anon/ Prairie Peace, and Overeaters Anonymous. These support groups each 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:

As I need not remind any of you, our Catholic Church has been rocked in recent years by the shock of scandal and child abuse and coverup on the part of clergy. About a year ago we gathered twice as a Pax Christi parish community in "Conversation Circles" in order to discuss



what this has done to us and how we might make a concrete response to help those who have been victimized by it all. Our Community Council received feedback from those sessions and has recognized that there remains a significant need for healing among our people. As a result, an ad-hoc committee of Care and Support was created to develop a means of helping us heal. The committee's decision was to offer small group listening sessions this season, making use of a booklet titled, *The Wounded Body of Christ* by Dr. Matthew Halbach, which was written with the intention of being "a healing pastoral resource." It facilitates prayer, reflection, and dialogue. Our hope all along has been to create a safe space in which to share pain, sorrow, anger, and frustration around this issue. That's not the same thing as grousing about the latest news.

We will be initiating these gatherings soon here, in which people will be encouraged to share their wisdom around what changes need to happen as a consequence of all of this suffering, particularly at the local level—where we have some ability to make a difference fairly immediately. We will reflect on how to encourage greater engagement between lay Catholics and church leaders (who may sometimes be the same people). And since we are now in the process of preparing for our archdiocesan synod with regional listening sessions, we can think together about what kinds of issues we wish to have raised as moments of discussion.

But all of that is more about strategy—which is necessary but is not the same thing as healing. Our series of discussions will be primarily focused on sharing and hearing the stories of how this tragedy has wounded people, either directly through the experience of abuse or indirectly through the struggle to hold on to faith in the midst of trauma. It will be a space for people to be heard in a safe, confidential, and compassionate environment here at Pax Christi. The groups will be starting up in just a few weeks and will last for four weekly sessions, conducted by trained facilitators. There will be prayer, reflection, and an opportunity to have a voice, or to kindly welcome the voices of others. And you will have the option to gather either in the morning or in the evening, depending on your personal schedule.

Look for registration information online at www.paxchristi.com/eventregistration under the heading of "The Wounded Body of Christ: Clergy Abuse Discussion Groups," or contact Jean Thoresen at 952-405-7211. I hope that this will create an occasion for us to sort through all of the bewilderment, broken trust, and need for reconciliation that these events have caused, and for us as parishioners to claim some power to make things better. And whether you decide to participate in this process yourself or not, please make it a point to pray for those who do during these next several weeks.

Michael Beyron

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

at Family of Christ Lutheran Church, Chanhassen, MN 55317 Seven Mondays starting September 30-November 11, 5:30-7:30pm

### SEPARATED AND DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP

Beginning Monday, October 7, 6:30-8:00pm, The Church of St. Edward

### MOMS ROCK: BALANCING ACT WITH ANGELA EIFERT

Wennesday, October 9, 9:30-11:30am, Room 212, \$10

### SMARTPHONE 101

Saturday, October 19, 9:30-11:00am **RSVP** 

### THE WOUNDED BODY OF CHRIST

**Clergy Abuse Discussion Groups** Four Tuesdays, Beginning October 22, 6:30-8:00pm OR Four Wednesdays, Beginning October 23, 9:30-11:00am

### WHY BE CATHOLIC? INTRO TO RCIA

Wednesday, October 23, 6:30-8:00pm

### TWELVE BASKETS HAT & MITTEN DRIVE

Weekend of October 26/27

### MEMORIAL MASS

Saturday, November 2, 5:00pm Mass

### LABYRINTH WALK

Tuesday, November 5, 6:30-8:30pm **RSVP** 

### WINE, WOMEN, & SCRIPTURE

FRIDAY, November 8, 7:00-9:00pm **RSVP** 

### MEN'S MINISTRY EVENT

What the Bible Teaches About Male & Female Featuring Deacon Charles Bobertz Wednesday, November 13, 6:30-8:00pm, Room 212

### TOT-TIME OPEN GYM

Tot-Time Open Gym is a great opportunity for parents or grandparents and children to play alongside others. This as a great activity for those long winter months or when you are looking for some interaction and companionship. Wednesday mornings from September-May opposite of Moms ROCK gatherings as schedule permits. Parents MUST stay with children. For more information, check the Pax Christi calendar for dates and location.

### THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Monday, October 7

8:30am MASS

9:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry

3:00pm Chair Yoga 6:30pm Fall Book Club

6:00pm Pack 348 Mtg.

6:30pm Troop 370 Mtg.

### Tuesday, October 8

8:30am MASS

1:00pm Environment Mtg.

6:00pm 50+ Basketball

6:30pm Care and Support Facilitator Trng HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES

6:30pm Twelve Baskets Ministry Mtg. 7:00pm Handbell Rehearsal

7:00pm Holiday Tea Hostess Mtg.

### Wennespay, October 9

9:30am Moms ROCK

11:00am Tai Chi

5:15pm Faith Formation Sessions

6:00pm Faith Formation Sessions

6:00pm MASS

6:30pm Men's Ministry Gathering

6:30pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Mtg.

### Thursday, October 10

### 8:30am Word/Communion Service

10:00am Fall Book Club

6:00pm BeFriender Ministry 6:00pm Pax Christi Basketball

6:30pm Vatican II Session

7:00pm Al-Anon

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous

7:30pm Music Ministry

7:30pm PREPARE Leader Mtg.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:30am MASS

6:00pm Confirmation Retreat

### Saturday, October 12

9:00am Women's AA Group 9:00am Overeater's Anonymous 10:00am Confirmation Retreat 4:00pm Private Reconciliation 5:00pm MASS - FR. BYRON

### Sunday, October 13

### 9:00am MASS - FR. BYRON

9:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:00am GIFT Married Couples Group

11:00am MASS - FR. BYRON

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5:00pm MASS - FR. McMICHAEL

6:00pm Sunday Evening Meal 6:30pm Faith Formation Sessions

6:30pm RCIA Session

6:30pm Young Married Couples Group

Interpreter for hearing impaired at 11:00am Mass. Nursery provided during Sunday Mass times. Rosary prayed following weekday morning Masses.

### ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND **EVENT REGISTRATION AT** WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM

# PRAYER CORNER

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE LOVED ONES:

Kris, Greg, Amanda, Sherry, Ira, Steve, Calvin, Carmen, Martin, Alann, Ana Marie, Curt, Kathryn, Mark, Steve, Gayle, Sandy, Mary Jane, Sidney, Bob, Joyce, and the R Family.

Pax Christi offers, as a community, the gift of prayer. If you would like to have your name listed in this Prayer Corner during a time of need, contact Care and Support, 952-941-3150.

## PARISHIONERS' ART EXHIBIT: ARTISTS NEEDED!!

We invite you to display your artwork at this year's Parishioners' Art Exhibit! The exhibit will run November 24 through December 15 in the Pacem In Terris Gallery. The guidelines and registration forms are available on the parish website, www.paxchristi.com/ artexhibits. The registration deadline is November 20 and the drop-off date is November 24.

	This Year Actual	This Year Budget	Variance from Budget	Last Year Actual	Variance from Last Year
Week #12 Contributions	24,058	28,000	(3,942)	31,311	(7,253)
YTD through Week #12	542,047	538,000	4,047	575,655	(33,608)
19-20 Contribution Goal - \$2,700,00	0				