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MAY 3, 2020
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

OFFICE HOURS

MON - WED
 9am - 8pm

THURS & FRI
 9am - 5pm

MASS TIMES

SATURDAYS
 5pm Vigil / 4:30 Confession

SUNDAYS
 9am / 11am / 12:30 Spanish

MON, TUES, THURS, FRI
 8:30am Mass

WEDNESDAYS
 Prayer Service with Eucharist 12pm

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WEEKDAYS
 8am - 4pm

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 8:30am - 4pm

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Taking Jesus' message of loving service to heart, all are welcome in our vibrant, hopeful, diverse, Eucharistic Community where we break the bread and open the Word and discover God in our Midst.

NUESTRA MISIÓN

Tomando el mensaje de Jesús de servicio amoroso a corazón, todos son bienvenidos en nuestra Comunidad Eucarística vibrante, llena de esperanza, y diversa, donde partimos el Pan y abrimos la Palabra y descubrimos a Dios en medio de nosotros.

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THOSE IN OUR PRAYERS

HEY SFDS PARENTS,

Please take a moment to sign up for our Parents of SFDS Page on Facebook so that you can access current news and Religious Education materials for your children. We look forward to staying in touch with you through the miracle of social media. As always, if you need anything, please feel free to email Jayne at jayneporcelli@sfdsnyc.org. Stay well!

PRAYER IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC

O God of compassion, your people are anxious in this time of pandemic. Send your Holy Spirit among us to dispel our fears. We cry out to you in our confusion; comfort us in our affliction. Grant our leaders wisdom to guide us. Strengthen and sustain those who are ill, and be with those who care for them. Help us to travel this road in solidarity with our neighbors, with our eyes fixed on the salvation promised us through the death and resurrection of your Son, who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

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SICK & DEPARTED

SICK

Pat Dietz, Jovina Ascencios, Pedro Carrero , Sr. Paul Theresa Henneese , George Gerardi, Helene Gallagher, Roberto Colon, Julia Cairo, John Kenny, Mila Ortiz, Tom & Juliette Taaffe, Denise Price, Fernando Rodriguez, Jerome Pannell, Luis Calderon, Helen F.

DECEASED ✕

Margaret Whalen, Pablo Rosado Jr, Sofia Espinosa. Esther Marti, Carlos Avila, Msgr. Richard Guastella, Imelda Marquez, Maura Barrero, Kelly Ann Childs, Ashley Childs Santos, Piero and Michael Lucarelli, Julio Ortiz, Augusto Montan, Richard Lynch, Juanita Alvarez, John McGrath, Marjorie Sweitzer,

HAVE A SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST?

Send us who or what needs a special prayer by using the Prayer Request feature on our new SFDS app—available in the Google Play or Apple App Store. Our parish prayer group will pray upon all submissions.

LET'S CONNECT



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SFDS + COMMUNITY



¡TRABAJO DE ARTE GRATUITO - AYÚDENOS A ORAR POR NUESTROS PRIMEROS RESPONDEDORES

Nos complace compartir una invitación especial con nuestros feligreses de nuestro propio artista fr. Mickey McGrath. Gracias a la amabilidad de Trinity Stores (info@trinitystores.com), las nuevas tarjetas de oración de Br Mickey diseñadas específicamente para nuestra oración durante esta pandemia están disponibles de forma gratuita. Estas dos obras de arte de Nuestra Señora de Refugio para los que trabajan en las profesiones médicas y María, salud de los enfermos y son imágenes coloridas de la Santísima Madre, en el estilo único de Mickey.

Para recibir sus tarjetas de oración GRATIS, simplemente envíe un CORREO ELECTRÓNICO a John a: info@trinitystores.com y solicite sus tarjetas de oración gratis. (Si lo desea, agradezca a St Francis de Sales. ¡Hágales saber que estamos apoyando a Br Mickey!) Incluya su nombre y dirección y le enviarán las tarjetas por correo. Esta es una manera de apoyar a una pequeña empresa familiar además del USPS. Son realmente hermosos... disfruta de este regalo especial. ¿Por qué no pedir dos y compartir un set con un amigo?



FREE ART WORK -- HELP US PRAY FOR OUR FIRST RESPONDERS!

We are pleased to share a special invitation with our parishioners from our own artist **Br. Mickey McGrath**. Through the kindness of Trinity Stores (info@trinitystores.com) Br Mickey's new prayer cards designed specifically for our prayer during this Pandemic are available for free. These two pieces of artwork Our Lady of Refuge for Healthcare Workers and Mary, Health of the Sick, are colorful images of the Blessed Mother, in Mickey's unique style.

To receive your FREE prayer cards simply send an EMAIL to John at: info@trinitystores.com and request your free prayer cards. (Give a shout out to St Francis de Sales if you'd like. Let them know we are supporting Br Mickey!) Include your name and address and they will mail you the cards. This is a way to support a family owned small business in addition to the USPS. They are truly beautiful...enjoy this special gift. Why not ask for two and share a set with a friend?

STEWARDSHIP & GIVING IN A TIME OF SOCIAL DISTANCE

One of the many implications of suspending all our masses and events to ensure the safety of our community from COVID-19 is that our regular in pew offerings will not be collected. This results in a drastic decrease of weekly/monthly income for the parish. Many folks are already participating in online giving and this has been a life line for us, Thank You! For those of you who have not signed up we ask that this be the time to make the switch so that we can continue to keep things going. For those who continue to use checking as a primary source we ask that you mail your offering to the parish. In whatever way you give we are profoundly grateful for your sacrifice. If financial constraints prevent you from giving at this time we understand. Know that you are a valued and beloved member of our community united to us in prayer. For those who can do a little more to make up for what others are unable to do presently we thank you! To make a one-time donation or to sign up for recurring donations, visit www.sfdsnyc.org/give or contact Lydia at: lydia@sfdsnyc.org and 646.526.9504.

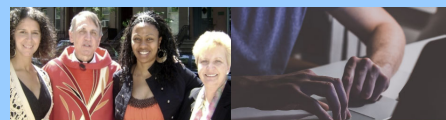
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Easter Faith Sharing

For those of you who are at home and would like to add a bit of prayer to your day, please feel welcome to join Jayne on Wednesday afternoons at 2pm on a national zoom small Christian community prayer share. We will read and reflect on the upcoming Sunday Scriptures each week until further notice. Details may be found on our webpage calendar. .



CONNECTING FAITH AND LIFE
TOGETHER... WHILE APART

*Faith Sharing
Wednesdays*

LATEST NEWS

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SFDS SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY DONATES \$1,000 FROM GRANT TO THRIVE FOR LIFE PRISON PROJECT

We are pleased to report that our Parish sent a check in the amount of \$1000.00 to Thrive for Life Prison Project. This was money had been awarded to our Social Justice Ministry as part of a grant from Catholic Charities. This money will be used by Thrive for Life for Ignacio House in the Bronx which serves recently incarcerated men as part of their re-entry process. This money will help in this time of emergency to provide much needed food for the residents of Ignacio House. Under normal circumstances, Thrive for Life is a great organization for SFDS to support, but especially now that they are taking on a greater burden by bringing in recently released men from Rikers and other facilities. It's important COVID relief they are doing and is a great use of the monies from the grant in line with Catholic Social Teaching.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR DOMESTIC ABUSE

Hope's Door—888-438-8700; Safe Horizons—800.621.4673

We are well aware that one of the many results of sheltering in place has been an increase in domestic abuse. Our community partner, Hope's Door, has a bilingual 24 hour hotline that you can call to access their services which include: Safety Planning, Counseling and Support Groups for adults and children, Recreation and self-care programming for adults and children, Accompaniment to various court, health and other appointments, Advocacy services for adults and children, and Access to other Hope's Door services and program areas. Another resource is Safe Horizons, the largest non-profit agency helping those who experience abuse in the U.S. You don't have to suffer in silence. You can also call the SFDS Parish Office. We are here for all our parishioners to offer spiritual support during this difficult time.



VIRTUAL SUNDAY HOSPITALITY

Every Sunday, @ 11-11:45 in English;

Let's be social on Sundays! We understand that nothing can replace coffee and donuts with fellow parishioners after Mass. Until we can be together again, please join us online at our weekly "hospitality" Zoom Meeting. This is an opportunity to check in and let us know how you're doing, share your reflections about the Sunday homily, and show us your pets, kids, or latest pajama fashion. Bring a little of the Frank's Cafe vibe to wherever you are!

11am in English:

to log in: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/852504686>

to call in: 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 852 504 686

The music is one of several pieces of the SFDS style that makes our parish so special. Do you miss singing and dancing on Sunday mornings? Well, come join us for a weekly bilingual event right online: *Let's Church!* You simply download a lyric sheet, and at noon, you can watch the broadcast and sing along to the hymns we would sing during the Mass. See you this Sunday at noon!

ST FRANCIS DE SALES IS SO HAPPY TO WELCOME THREE BRAND NEW BABIES TO OUR PARISH FAMILY:

Congratulations and many blessings go out to:

Marissa and Ken on their baby boy Ashton Lawrence Marquez
Michael and Ouelly on the baby girl Nayeli Jemma Welhore
Eleonore and Stefane on their baby girl Chiara Bebear



LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we hear that in John's Gospel the sheep recognize the shepherd by virtue of his voice.

John's Gospel is famous for its prologue, "the Word became flesh and dwelt amongst us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father" This word of the Father spoken from eternity is a word that speaks truth and gives life "A thief comes only to steal, and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." Jesus is about leading us into the fullness of life.

Our job if you will, is to listen closely to the voice that speaks of life. In this time of pandemic we have many voices competing for our attention. Voices that disparage good science and I mean by that, science dedicated to the preservation and fullness of life. Voices that while they are loud and discordant and don't offer a way forward but a way down toward destruction and nihilism.

The sheep gate of which Jesus speaks is not meant to keep people out but instead to offer an entrance into life. The gate is there to keep them safe by safeguarding the truth of what has been revealed to us in the person of Jesus. This Jesus, this suffering messiah speaks to us of a love that will take him to the cross toward the resurrection. This is not a shepherd who preaches easy answers and gated communities but one who speaks to us about global solidarity.

This time of pandemic as awful as it has been is offering us the opportunity to do things differently. Which voices are we listening to?

Pope Francis has been consistent in his prophetic call for a global response to the issue of the environment. His encyclical, *Laudato Si'* <http://www.usccb.org/about/leadership/holy-see/francis/pope-francis-encyclical-laudato-si-on-environment.cfm> is a clarion call to the truth of global warming and environmental degradation.

Science is helping us to make the connections between environmental recklessness and the current pandemic. Wholesale destruction of natural habitats for profit has allowed viruses to jump the zoological chain and enter into the human species with greater frequency. His encyclical has rightly framed the issue as a life issue. Through safeguarding and respecting the planet we are protecting life and allowing the flourishing of life, as Jesus calls it, abundant life.

The Pope stresses that this life is meant to be lived in harmony with both nature and those with whom we inhabit this world. Catholic Social Teaching offers us the virtue of solidarity as key to moving out of the current pandemic. Solidarity on a global, national and local level.

As we seek to develop a vaccine, find treatments that work, search for protocols that keep people safe we need to rely upon a best thinking model that is collaborative. Withdrawing funding from global initiatives, basing policy upon a narrow view of what is most advantageous to us, disregarding and alienating those with whom we need to work will only set the stage for further disasters. We need to listen to the voices of those who offer not easy and immediate solutions but those who are willing to speak an inconvenient truth.

Jesus is of course the shepherd and we the sheep, let us pray that we recognize his voice in those who seek the fullness of life rather than merely an imitation.

*Peace,
Fr. Kelly*

ÚLTIMAS NOTICIAS & PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

ENTÉRATE DE TODO LO QUE ESTÁ PASANDO EN SFDSNYC.ORG



RECURSOS COMUNITARIOS PARA ABUSO DOMÉSTICO

Hope's Door—888.438.8700; Safe Horizon — 800.621.4673

Estamos conscientes de que uno de los muchos resultados de refugiarse-en-lugar ha sido un aumento del abuso doméstico. Nuestro socio comunitario, Hope's Door, tiene una línea directa bilingüe las 24 horas a la que puede llamar para acceder a sus servicios, que incluyen: Planificación de seguridad, asesoramiento y grupos de apoyo para adultos y niños, programas de recreación y autocuidado para adultos y niños, acompañamiento a varias citas en la corte, de salud y de otro tipo, servicios de defensa para adultos y niños, y acceso a otros servicios y áreas de programa de Hope's Door. Otro recurso es Safe Horizons, la agencia sin fines de lucro más grande que ayuda a quienes sufren abusos en los Estados Unidos. No tiene que sufrir en silencio. También puede llamar a la Oficina Parroquial de SFDS. Estamos aquí para ofrecer apoyo espiritual durante este momento difícil para todos nuestros feligreses.

EL MINISTERIO DE JUSTICIA SOCIAL DE SFDS DONA \$1,000 A THRIVE FOR LIFE PRISON PROJECT

Nos complace informar que nuestra parroquia envió un cheque por la cantidad de \$ 1000.00 al Proyecto de Prisión Thrive for Life. Este era dinero que se había otorgado a nuestro Ministerio de Justicia Social como parte de una subvención de Caridades Católicas. Thrive for Life utilizará este dinero para Ignacio House en el Bronx, que sirve a hombres encarcelados recientemente como parte de su proceso de reingreso. Este dinero ayudará en este momento de emergencia a proporcionar alimentos muy necesarios para los residentes de Ignacio House. En circunstancias normales, Thrive for Life es una gran organización para el apoyo de SFDS, pero especialmente ahora que están asumiendo una mayor carga al traer hombres liberados recientemente de Rikers y otras instalaciones. Es un alivio COVID importante lo que están haciendo y es un gran uso de los fondos de la subvención en línea con la Doctrina Social Católica.



HOSPITALIDAD VIRTUAL DEL DOMINGO/ EVENTO BILINGÜE

Cada Domingo de abril @ 11-11:45am en inglés;

¡Seamos sociales los domingos! Entendemos que nada puede reemplazar el café y las donuts con otros feligreses después de la misa. Hasta que podamos estar juntos nuevamente, únase a nosotros en línea en nuestra reunión semanal de Zoom "hospitalidad". Esta es una oportunidad para decir hola y hacernos saber cómo le está yendo, compartir sus reflexiones sobre la homilía del domingo, y mostrarnos a sus mascotas, niños, o la última moda de pijamas. ¡Lleva un poco del ambiente de Frank's Cafe a donde quiera que estés!

11am en inglés:

para entrar digitalmente: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/852504686> o para llamar: 646 558 8656

Meeting ID: 852 504 686

La vida musical es una de muchas piezas del estilo de SFDS que hace tan especial nuestra parroquia. ¿Extrañan ustedes cantar y bailar los domingos? Bueno, únense al evento bilingüe de cada semana en la red: ¡Iglesiamos! Solo descarga la hoja de letra y a mediodía puede ver la transmisión y cantar con nosotros los cantos que cantaríamos durante la misa. ¡Nos vemos este domingo a mediodía!

UNA CARTA DEL PASTOR

En este Domingo del Buen Pastor escuchamos que en el Evangelio de Juan las ovejas reconocen al pastor en virtud de su voz.

El Evangelio de Juan es famoso por su prólogo, " se hizo carne y habitó entre nosotros, lleno de gracia y verdad; hemos visto su gloria, gloria como del único Hijo del Padre "Esta palabra del Padre que se habla desde la eternidad es una palabra que dice la verdad y da vida" Un ladrón viene solo para robar, matar y destruir; vine para que podrían tener vida y tenerla más abundantemente ". Jesús se trata de guiarnos hacia la plenitud de la vida.

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Nuestro trabajo, si lo desea, es escuchar atentamente la voz que habla de la vida. En este tiempo de pandemia, tenemos muchas voces compitiendo por nuestra atención. Voces que menosprecian la buena ciencia que quiero decir con eso, ciencia dedicada a la preservación y plenitud de la vida. Voces que si bien son ruidosas y discordantes y no ofrecen un camino a seguir sino un camino hacia la destrucción y el nihilismo.

La puerta de las ovejas de la que habla Jesús no tiene el propósito de mantener a las personas fuera sino ofrecer una entrada a la vida. La puerta está allí para mantenerlos a salvo salvaguardando la verdad de lo que nos ha sido revelado en la persona de Jesús. Este Jesús, este mesías sufriente nos habla de un amor que lo llevará a la cruz hacia la resurrección. Este no es un pastor que predica respuestas fáciles y comunidades cerradas, sino uno que nos habla sobre la solidaridad global.

Este tiempo de pandemia tan horrible como lo ha sido nos ofrece la oportunidad de hacer las cosas de manera diferente. ¿Qué voces estamos escuchando?

El Papa Francisco ha sido consistente en su llamado profético para una respuesta global al problema del medio ambiente. Su encíclica, Laudato Si '<http://www.usccb.org/about/leadership/holy-see/francis/pope-francis-encyclical-laudato-si-on-environment.cfm> es un llamado de atención a la verdad de lo calentamiento global y degradación ambiental.

La ciencia nos está ayudando a establecer conexiones entre la imprudencia ambiental y la pandemia actual. La destrucción mayorista de hábitats naturales con fines de lucro ha permitido que los virus salten la cadena zoológica y entren en la especie humana con mayor frecuencia. Su encíclica ha enmarcado correctamente el tema como un problema de la vida. Al salvaguardar y respetar el planeta estamos protegiendo la vida y permitiendo el florecimiento de la vida, como Jesús la llama, vida abundante.

El Papa enfatiza que esta vida está destinada a ser vivida en armonía tanto con la naturaleza como con aquellos con quienes habitamos este mundo. La enseñanza social católica nos ofrece la virtud de la solidaridad como clave para salir de la pandemia actual. Solidaridad a nivel global, nacional y local.

A medida que buscamos desarrollar una vacuna, encontrar tratamientos que funcionen, buscar protocolos que mantengan a las personas seguras, necesitamos confiar en un mejor modelo de pensamiento que sea colaborativo. Retirar fondos de iniciativas globales, basar la política en una visión estrecha de lo que es más ventajoso para nosotros, ignorar y alienar a aquellos con quienes debemos trabajar solo preparará el escenario para futuros desastres. No Necesitamos escuchar las voces de quienes no ofrecen soluciones fáciles e inmediatas, sino de aquellos que están dispuestos a decir una verdad incómoda.

Por supuesto, Jesús es el pastor y nosotros las ovejas, recemos para que reconozcamos su voz en aquellos que buscan la plenitud de la vida en lugar de simplemente una imitación.

*Paz,
Padre Kelly*

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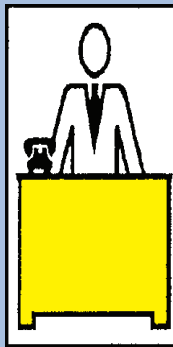
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