



# St. Mary's MESSENGER

Hello St. Mary's Family,

Bishop Doyle has continued the suspension of "at Church worship" for the time being. Check your email for your copy of the readings for this Sunday, and tune in on our website, <a href="https://www.ourstmarys.org">www.ourstmarys.org</a> Sundays at 10:00 AM for live worship services. (Click on "Worship" tab then "Live Media"). We will continue to keep you updated!

In His Peace, Rev. Bill



Readings for the 2nd Sunday after Pentecost June 14, 2020

Exodus 19:2-8a
Psalm 100
Romans 5:1-8
Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)

### From Your Priest:



"The Big Harvest"
Matthew 9:35-10:8(9-23)

Jesus speaks of a plentiful harvest of those yearning for God. He tells his disciples that there is plenty of work for

those willing to proclaim the Kingdom of God. In fact, their numbers are no match for the great hunger in the

world to hear the Good News. Jesus also knows what the few disciples will be up against in a world that by nature turns away from God's love. It won't be easy.

The lesson this week serves as a great new beginning in our long "Green Season" following Pentecost. We get refreshment as we walk with Jesus once again in his earthly ministry, and as he sets us on a new mission in our day—a new dawn in the Church as we follow in the way of those first disciples.

- Rev. Bill

### THINK ON THIS:



"Made for spirituality, we wallow in introspection. Made for joy, we settle for pleasure. Made for justice, we clamor for vengeance. Made for relationship, we insist on our own way. Made for beauty, we are satisfied with sentiment. But new creation has already begun. The sun has begun to rise. Christians are called to leave behind, in the tomb of Jesus Christ, all that belongs to the brokenness and incompleteness of the present world ... That, quite simply, is what it means to be Christian: to follow Jesus Christ

into the new world, God's new world, which he has thrown open before us."

- N.T. Wright, Simply Christian: Why Christianity Makes Sense.

"Lukewarm people don't really want to be saved from their sin; they want only to be saved from the penalty of their sin."

— Francis Chan, <u>Crazy Love: Overwhelmed by a Relentless God</u>.

"He was in the world, and the world was created through Him, and yet the world did not recognize Him. He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him. But to all who did receive Him, He gave them the right to be children of God,"

John 1:10-12

## Let's Celebrate our folks at St. Mary's!

Happy Birthday!

This week: Jacqueline Laubach, Patricia Anderson

Happy Anniversary!

This week: Bill & Sharon Archie,

Paul & Tulisha Wendele



#### **Bow the Knee**

"Trust the heart of your Father when the answer



goes beyond what you can see...in the presence of your King, bow the knee." -Chris Machen



### Prayer List:

Mike Hetherly, Larry & Becky Hart, Ricky Gilmore, Anne Brown, Jim & Pat Anderson, Alec Richardson, Katherine Mezger, Lynn, Zach C., Wanda L., Buck, Alex, Randy, Debbie, Jack, John, Buddy, Rebecca, Heather, Sally, Norman, Mary Jo & Kiersten.

May we remember that Christ is The Sun of Righteousness.

"But for you who fear My Name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings," Malachi 4:2

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