Pastor’s Corner

My brothers and sisters,

Last week, I mentioned that there is a great deal of “summer cleaning” going on at The Catholic Community of Pleasanton – St. Augustine and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. To clean well also provides occasion for an inventory. It’s time for us to “take stock.” This is happening as we go forward with putting action to our mission – **To Know Christ Better, Live as He Calls Us to Live and Make Him Better Known.** We do this through the sharing of our Judeo Christian (Roman Catholic) identity – Liturgy, Learning and Living. Learning (Faith Formation) is assessing future possibilities for adult faith formation in particular. New personnel bring the gift of freshness. Living is also going through some growth spurts. It’s imperative to ensure that what we are doing is effectively meeting people where we find them, communicating with them the love and mercy of Jesus and inviting them to walk forward in solid well-rounded human relationships that embody justice and charity. In all of these sharing, we are offering what we have been given, an intimate relationship with Jesus.

This weekend, I’d like to spend a bit more time on Liturgy. There are many opportunities and some challenges that we face as a community of faith at worship, especially at weekend Mass. One opportunity, for example, is to appreciate the depth of encountering Christ before and after Mass. Part of preparation for Mass should include some sacred silence as

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well as gathering with and greeting our brothers and sisters. How many times have my friends told me that they are preparing for an important meeting. These friends are taking time. Well, is there a more significant meeting or encounter than with the living Jesus? That’s what Mass celebrates. This is a REAL encounter; He is present. I, for one, should be prepped for this meeting and not fly in by the seat of my pants. Similarly, we should feel the need to stay after Mass and not dash off to the next appointment. We’ve just been strengthened by sharing the Body and Blood of Christ. This is the most opportune time to build bonds. To say this a bit more humorously, the Prayer after Communion is not meant to be said in your car as you accelerate out of the parking lot. Let’s take our time as difficult as this is in our crazy paced world. And to be clear, what I share here, I too must learn. We will be working on this opportunity which is a challenge – two sides of the same coin.

You will find enclosed a letter from me. It is an invitation to consider how we worship at the Catholic Community of Pleasanton and what needs to be done to widen the port so that ALL can be made to feel more welcome. After reading the letter and hearing me preach (I’m playing PING PONG) this weekend, please feel free to contact me if you have any constructive thoughts on what is being proposed. You can reach me at pminnihan@catholicsofpleasanton.org or (925) 846-4489.

As we are cleaning and stocking, take some time to enjoy family and friends during these beautiful days.

Enjoy...

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Scripture Readings
July 23
Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
Romans 8:26-27
Matthew 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Bible Study
Bible Study classes will resume in September with the Book of Leviticus. More information to follow.

2017 Schedule
September  The Book of Leviticus
October    The Book of Numbers
November   The Book of Deuteronomy

Adult Confirmation
Adults interested in preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation please contact Matt Gray at (925) 202-5425, for more information.

RCIA: Come and See
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process that adults complete to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Please contact Matt Gray, (925) 202-5425 or mgray@catholicsofpleasanton.org.

Grief Workshop
St. Elizabeth Seton Church
2nd and 4th Thursday evenings at 7:30 PM

Summer Schedule
July 27, August 10 and 24

The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Grieving people need time and space to honor their grief. Each person’s grief journey has its own path and its own timeline. Although there is no right or wrong path, there are Stepping Stones that are part of each grief journey.

Join us bi-monthly and let us accompany you on your healing journey. No pre-registration is necessary. These sessions are open to all, regardless of religious affiliation.

For more information, call Eleanor Flatley at (925) 846-8708.

Military Peer Support Group
St. Augustine Church—Rectory
3rd Wednesday of the Month
7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Veterans share life challenges and opportunities with other veterans the 3rd Wednesday of each month. For more information, contact Dom Pietro at (925) 462-4665 or email at pietr11@comcast.net. All Ages welcome.

Young Adult Ministry
CCOP has a Young Adult Ministry!! College students and young professionals are welcome! Find us on Facebook under CCOP Young Adult Ministry, where all our events are posted in a timely manner. Please contact Susie at staugustine868@gmail.com to join the ministry email for our monthly updates and events.

Attention Altar Servers!
If you have not received your invite to the annual Great America trip on August 7, 2017 and would like to attend, please contact Mary Beth Bochner at bochneras@yahoo.com or (925) 443-2519 by July 18.

Join The Flock
We use Flocknote to send out updates and information about CCOP. Joining is easy from your mobile phone or computer! Text “Join CCOP” to 84576 or follow the link on the homepage of our website. Join now!

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED
Kenneth Smith
Louise McMurray
Lillian Moore
Stella Gallagher
Nancy Tidwell
Archbishop John Quinn
Teresita Natividad
Ruben Atencion
Cecilia Hernandez
Barry Weiss
Edward Collins
Dolores Serafini
Dorothy Grill
Froilan Gaspar
Antonio Deleon
Thomas V. Malone
Ilumina Ramirez
Maria Memmer
John Francis Hansen
Teresa Ann Bartolo
Backpack School Supply Drive
High school youth ministry is doing a backpack and school supply drive for children in Tri-Valley Haven’s shelter, in the Pleasanton School District, and within our own parish. Collection bins will be in the vestibules from **July 15-23**. Here are the items requested:

- New Backpacks
- Binders
- Glue Sticks
- Colored Pencils
- Erasers
- Crayons
- Compasses
- Pens (red, blue & black ink)
- Binder paper (wide-rule & college-rule)
- Notebooks (marbled or wired)

Purchase Payless Shoes gift cards in $10 denominations to help families whose children need shoes for school.

**Sunday Contributions**
On your check for your Sunday collection, please always indicate on the Memo area where to apply the contribution (1st Collection, Building Fund, Catholic Voice, etc.) and write the amount on the front of the envelope. This minimizes posting to the wrong account resulting in inaccurate statements and tax letters.

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**Faith Formation Registration**
The next open registration opportunity for Faith Formation Programs will be on **August 15** from 12:00 PM – 7:00 PM in the St. Augustine Parish Hall. For more information please visit the CCOP Website.

**Shop at Amazon.com**
If you shop at Amazon.com, a percentage of your spending on almost everything you purchase can go to supporting CCOP. Go to the parish website at www.catholicsofpleasanton.org and click on the Amazon logo on the home page.

**Kelly Moore Paint**
Parishioners, families, employees and members of the Catholic Diocese of Oakland who purchase paint through the Kelly Moore Paint Company can receive a KM Club Discount and have a portion of the purchase gifted back to the Diocese. This year Kelly Moore donated back $1,000. Please use the Diocese of Oakland Parishioners KM Club Account 605-DI4711.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend at San Damiano Retreat Center, Danville on **July 14-16** or **September 29 - October 1**. Space is limited! Early registration is recommended.

For additional information contact Ray and Roberta at (916) 806-4601 or Joe and Sue at (925) 680-7767 now or go to oaklandwwme.org or http://oaklandwwme.org.

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All are welcome to this workshop for teens from middle through high school age and their parents, guardians or adult loved ones. We will have 2 workshops running simultaneously. In St. Augustine Church will be a workshop for adults on Suicide Prevention and Awareness. In St. Augustine Hall is a workshop for teens who are incoming middle through high school age. All are welcome from the community of Pleasanton and surrounding areas. The goal of having this workshop is to equip all of us with the tools we need to help someone at risk of dying by suicide. This program is being presented by Crisis Support Services of Alameda County and hosted by the Catholic Community of Pleasanton.

**WHERE:**
St. Augustine Church (Adults)  
& St. Augustine Hall (Teens)  
3999 Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton

**WHEN:**  
Tuesday August 1st, 2017  
7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.