# Catholic Campus Ministry E-bulletin – February 7, 2020

# **Upcoming Event**

Who's Your Neighbor – Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 3 & 7pm in Ellis Ballroom. Please join us for the first student panel in the history of the Who's Your Neighbor events. Who's Your Neighbor "Juniata Intersectional Journeys" will feature Amily Buenrrostro '20, Ishiyihmie Burrell '22, Marcus Hall '21, and April Wells '20. They will share their insights and offer perspectives for success in college despite challenges faced by traditionally underrepresented populations.

Ash Wednesday Ecumenical Service – Mark your calendars for Feb. 26 at 6:30pm at Stone Church of the Brethren. If you would like to be involved with the service as a greeter or reader, please contact Lisa at baerL@juniata.edu

## Liturgical Minister Schedule February 9, 2020

Set-up: Sarah Fader

Hospitality: Volunteers needed

Lectors: 1<sup>st</sup> – Maggie Taylor 2<sup>nd</sup> – Maggie Taylor 3<sup>rd</sup> – Maggie Taylor

Cantor: Christian Heasley

Pianist: Juliana Shugar

### Is God Calling You to Serve? Answer the Call, be a Liturgical Minister!

The small group of volunteers who serve our Mass community are in need of your help. Those volunteers help to set-up the lounge for Mass, lector (read), cantor (lead the singing) serve as Ministers of Hospitality (greeters) and Eucharistic Ministers. If you feel called to service, this is an excellent opportunity for you. The commitment is totally on your schedule as a volunteer. We know that Mass on campus is important to our students and the surrounding community but we can only sustain this Mass with the help of volunteers. Please give careful consideration to serving as a Liturgical Minister in any capacity as we need all our hands, hearts, and souls to give. What is Jesus asking of you? Feel free to contact Lisa at <u>baerL@juniata.edu</u>

## **Catholic Council Meeting**

Join us on Thursdays at in the Unity House. All are welcome.

#### Upcoming Events: Ash

Wednesday Ecumenical Service (Feb 26), Discussion on Lent, giving up or doing more with food (Feb. 27 mtg) and Rosary (Sunday evenings prior to Mass during Lent).

If you missed the Catholic Council meeting last night, you missed an outstanding opportunity to explore "Praying with Music" and Mo's pick. Check out the Youtube version of her song pick, Let It Be by the Beatles. What song speaks to you of God, love, hope, peace, how to live as Jesus did, how to pray, etc. https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=QDYfEBY9NM4

Check out our Juniata College Catholic Council Facebook page.

# Gospel ReflectionFebruary 9Matthew 5:13-16

Today's gospel challenges us to be a "light" to our family. Parents shine their guiding light, not in front but behind them, inviting their children to follow their "good deeds."

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#### Sunday Mass Schedule Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church Sixth and Washington Streets 814-643-0160

Saturday: 5:00 pm & Sunday 8:00 am and 10:15 AM. The times for weekday Masses vary from day to day. If you would like to know the times, please call the church at the above number.

The webpage for Most Holy Trinity has numerous resources and links for those seeking information on the Catholic faith or doing research for a class. Check out www.mhtcc.org

**Mass Intentions:** If you would like to schedule an intention for Mass in memory of a deceased loved one or to pray for someone who is sick or infirm, contact the Campus Ministry Office. A \$10 donation is requested.

### **Seeking Answers**

College and young adult living seems to the most precious time for expanding our minds and thoughts around all things spiritual and especially organized religion. If you have found yourself in the state of questioning your faith and seeking answers other than, "because that's the way it is" or "the Church says so…," feel free to reach out to me and we can find a time to meet and talk. Listening is my specialty and I make no judgement on your questions, answers or decisions. I'm an excellent sound board and welcome the questions and process. You know that saying, "been there, done that, got the t-shirt!" I have the t-shirts. Lisa <u>baerL@juniata.edu</u>

You're Invited! The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Family Game Night on Saturday, February 8 immediately following the 5pm Mass at Most Holy Trinity. All are welcome to join them in the social hall (downstairs) for fun, games, food, laughter and fellowship.



# **Celebrating Relationships!**

Do you have a significant other/partner/close person/best friend at Juniata? Come to the Stone Church on Wednesday, 2/12, at 6:30 pm for a 5 course catered dining experience. Reservations required-seating is limited. Sign-up TODAY. ~no charge~ *First-come, first-served...Limited to 30 pairs... Reservations only - no walk-ins. To make a reservation please* 

*visit* https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/12KR9r2Y0ilykmI41\_8taLFAkC9VuOD wjT6zzZZwYH8/edit?usp=sharing

### Campus Announcements: Community Engagement

- There is a 'Feed My Starving Children' Event next month on Saturday, February 22, 2020 that could use volunteers. The event will be in State College at: State College Alliance Church, 1221 W. Whitehall Road. Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) is a non-profit organization that works with food distribution partners that stay with communities for the long haul, empowering them to move from relief to development. FMSC meals are developed by food science and nutrition professionals to supplement nutritional needs and reduce problems with malnutrition. Nutrition allows children to grow, thrive and develop to their full potential. If you are interested in volunteering follow the link below to learn more and sign-up. http://www.scalliancechurc h.com/foodpack

# Do more with Radical Love

Perhaps it stems from watching a webinar about **St. Teresa of Kolkata** ... or reading about legendary Catholic activist **Dorothy Day** ... or reading about the selfless devotion of parents with babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) of hospitals around the country.

Whatever the source, I have found myself of late contemplating the concept of **radical love**. Indeed, it must be the most powerful force on earth, and its origin is in the One Who loved us first—our Father in Heaven.

But I recognize within myself a lack of that nobility that distinguished the saints. I know no lepers I can care for, and my cramped apartment will not accommodate multiple struggling families.

It would be easy, then, to think that **radical love** is beyond my capability. But in my heart, I know that is not the case — that with God, all things are possible.

However, neither Earth nor Heaven were built in a day. I need to take baby steps to begin to love lavish

It occurred to me that others — even heroic mothers — may wonder how to love to their full capacity. Therefore, I would like to offer three ways to start to unleash the power of **radical love:** 

• **Pray** for those who are on the "**other side of the fence**." These may be people who openly dislike you, or who oppose your values. They may be people you know well or who you are only acquainted with through news headlines. I recall a woman I knew, whose confessor believed she was an unheralded saint. On the day of a famous dictator's death, she asked me to join her in praying for his immortal soul. Somehow, I moved past my initial reluctance and joined her in praying for an enemy—a moment of profound grace I will never forget.

• Forego buying something you really want, and give the money you would have spent to a homeless shelter, soup kitchen, or other charity. When I make such sacrifices, I can almost hear the crackle of icicles melting from my heart. With each little treat I pull from my greedy hand, I can lend a helping hand to someone else.

• Do something extravagant for God. Spend an **extra hour this week in prayer**. Don't worry, if you are pressed for time, you can divide it into 15-minute morsels. The extra love you give to God will come back to you ten-fold.

I strongly believe that, what this world of ours needs most in 2020 is the power of **radical love**. The good thing is — it's highly contagious. The love you give will be multiplied by others, making your neighborhood a model of a Heavenly home.

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