

Palm Sunday - The Lord give you Peace!

I hope all at Immaculate are well, saying our prayers and nurturing faith, hope and goodness in all that we do and live in our families and homes. I'm thinking that actual Faith practice is probably the best antidote to keep us sane and honest enough not to hoard toilet paper!



This pandemic is imposing a 'cloister' lifestyle upon us... it is not our choice. The Poor Clare Sisters in Mission and In Duncan have been called by God and chosen for a cloistered life. I wonder what wisdom and grace they might share with us about finding God in our Cloistered lives – every one of our homes has become a cloister. If you have ever met a Poor Clare nun, they are joy filled, faith filled and hope filled women. This is why so many Catholics and even non-believers ask them to pray for them. Let us pray that our homes right now may become places where Faith, Hope and Joy may become born, deepen and flourish. It might be good in the midst of our quarantine to ask Saint Clare and her Sisters in Mission and Duncan to pray for us... that we too may find the blessing of God within our cloistered lifestyles in this time of a pandemic. (Cloister living sounds a lot better than quarantined.)

While 'physical distancing' we still need communion with family, friends and with our brothers and sisters at Immaculate if we are to weather our way through this pandemic in one piece. Ask the Holy Spirit to inspire us with creative ideas to celebrate communion with one another. This Sunday we are videotaping the Palm Sunday Mass at Immaculate. It is available via YouTube on our Parish webpage.

Lastly, if any parishioner is in need of assistance picking up groceries or other necessary items please contact us to assist you. In this time of pandemic let us become what we pray and pray what we believe - for our world truly needs the sacrament of Jesus – real presence!

Peace and all good...Fr. Paul ofm