

From Father Kirby...

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Happy Sunday, Team Grace!

In our Gospel Reading, Saint Matthew gives us another parable of the Lord Jesus. Known as “the teaching gospel,” Matthew gives us the most substantial collections of the Lord’s teachings. And today, he does not disappoint! He recounts the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. It’s a lesson of God’s persistent love for us. He never gives up. He is constantly coming to us, visiting us, and inviting us to be with him, and to work in his vineyard. Have we accepted this invitation? Do we accept it again today?

Some things happening around the parish:

It was good being on retreat this past week, but it’s also really good to be back. There’s no place like home!

I’m grateful to our many young families who are participating in our at-home formation program this year. Thank you, young families, for taking our Faith so seriously and for bringing it into your homes in a special way this year! You remain in our prayers!

This Monday, our parish Book Club will resume. The program is at 1:00 PM and will be held in-person and on livestream. Join Deacon Doc as he dives into the spiritual wisdom of the book, *Five Loaves and Two Fish*.

Our Bible Study on Wednesdays has resumed. This past Wednesday, we spoke about [Creation in Genesis 1-2](#). This coming Wednesday, we’ll discuss Adam and Eve in Genesis 2. All are invited to tune in via Grace Lily.

We continue to have individual celebrations of First Holy Communion in the parish. Our many children from this past May are still receiving the sacrament at different Masses. Please remember these children in your prayers!

This week is one of the regular meetings of the parish’s Finance Council. I always enjoy being with these parishioners who are bankers, accountants, lawyers, and business people, as we discuss the parish’s fiscal health and plans for the future. Thank you, members of the Finance Council!

As Netflix continues to show its inclination to filth with its recent shows, I want to once again encourage the families of the parish to sign on to [FORMED](#). This is a free program (paid for by the parish) and contains encouraging, faith-inspiring content for the whole family. Please do not allow moral garbage into your home! Choose higher and better things!

More updates next week! Oremus pro invicem (let's pray for one another)!