

Dear Parishioners,

Today we hear Jesus tells his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, where he will suffer and be killed and that – whoever comes after him must take up his cross and follow him. This must have come as a shock to them as this was the first time Jesus told them this. We know what happened nearly two thousand years ago, but the challenge is new for each generation of disciples. Are we willing to take up our crosses? Will we follow? Let our sharing in the Eucharist strengthen us as we take up the cross and follow him.

Our Religious Education program will be a little bit different this year. We will be “Zooming” our classes with St. Luke’s parish. Given the health risks of the pandemic this is safest way to preserve well-being of all. We will follow the St. Luke Sunday morning schedule of classes from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. If you have any questions please call our Director of Religious Education, Ann Stauffer at 1-708-829-8549.

We recently had Mortenson Roofing out to complete repairs on our roof and gutters. The gutters in the front of the Rectory door were damaged with pieces missing and the roof needs tending to each year. The cost to make these repairs was just under \$6,000.00. Unfortunately for us, while they were making the repairs, the workmen noticed a few more areas that need to be looked at, and at this time we are waiting for the estimate. I will update you on that when I know more.

May God bless us for the time of an ending summer.  
Fr. Stan