

## ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION

**Mark Your Calendars** for Saturday evening **March 16th at 6:30 for the Annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Silent Auction.** It's a wonderful evening of great food and terrific entertainment! Dinner will include corn beef and cabbage (hot dogs for kids), drinks and dessert. Once again the Irish Singers, including our own Katherine Pagoaga and Carl von Loewenfeldt, will lead us in rousing Irish songs and some crazy Irish stories.

The proceeds from both events will be used to support this year's Adult Mission Trips. **Tickets will be on sale in the Narthex after all Masses starting Feb 24th.** \$14 for adults and \$4 for children (10 and under). Ticket sales will be limited so get yours early.



## DEAR LIGHT OF CHRIST...



I will not be worshipping with you this weekend (Feb 23), but I wanted you to know that all is well.

I had made arrangements to go to St. Louis this weekend to visit my son. While I am there, I will be going to Bishop Francis' church for worship and I will share your blessing with him and all the members of St. Clare and Francis ECC. Mark and Mary Lu Stenson will be leading a Communion Service while I am gone.

I am confident that you will all enjoy a spirit filled worship service together.

I will miss you while I am gone, and will keep you in my prayers. It is my honor to be part of Light of Christ, and I hope that light shines brightly through me as I travel. I promise not to "skimp on the bait" while I am gone. I look forward to worshipping with you again on March 2nd. Yay God!!

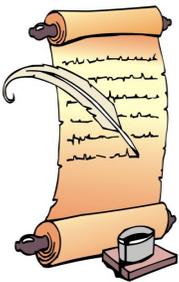
Blessings, Fr. Teri

## YOUR VOICE & OPINION MATTER!

The City of Longmont is eager to hear from citizens about the ways that gun violence might be reduced in our community. **Please consider joining the second Community Conversation on Reducing the Risk of Gun Violence that is planned for February 27, 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the Longmont Museum.** Small group conversations will be led by leaders of Longmont's faith community. If you want more information contact Stevan Kukic at: [stevankukicis@gmail.com](mailto:stevankukicis@gmail.com). Registration is open to the first 150 residents at: <https://www.longmontcolorado.gov/departments/departments-n-z/public-information/a-community-conversation-on-reduction-of-the-risk-of-gun-violence>. Thank you for considering this opportunity to make a difference.



## FFEDBACK TO REGIONAL PROCESS



As discussed at the All-Community Gathering in January, the Regional Council is looking for feedback on two questions related to the process of moving forward together in 2019 in calling a local bishop.

The two questions are:

1. What is missing right now in the region that we need to consider in this developmental stage?
2. What ideas and concerns do you have for these teams (teams include the Polity and Constitution Team, and the Election Process Team)?

**Write your comments on sticky notes in the Narthex and post them on the poster board hanging on the east Bulletin Board.** If you have any questions, talk to our Regional Council representatives Jack Wolfe and Fr. Teri. All comments received before February 10th were compiled into one document. Jack Wolfe has copies of those documents and is happy to share them with you if you are interested. **The Regional Holy Conversation planned to take place on Saturday March 2nd at 9am here at Light of Christ.** All are welcome to be part of this process. Submit your ideas, and plan to attend the Regional Holy Conversation on March 2nd.

## COMMUNION SERVICE



As you know, this weekend's service is a Communion Service instead of the regular Mass. What is a Communion Service you ask?

A Communion Service is a worship celebration that is led by laity. It includes prayer, music and song, Scripture, reflection and sharing in consecrated bread and wine that has been previously reserved in the Tabernacle. This worship celebration has long been a part of Catholic tradition. The Communion Service is a gathering of the community that recognizes God's divine presence in the spoken

Word, in the Bread and Wine and in the people gathered.



## ONLINE LENTEN RETREAT



The Weekly Advent E-mail Retreat went very well. **We have decided to offer a similar retreat for Lent, with the theme of "Noticing Peace"**. If you sign up to participate, you

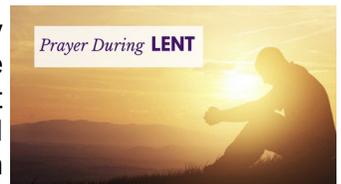
will receive the retreat once a week in your e-mail. At home, you will have the opportunity to spend time with 5-6 different activities. You can spend as much time as you want on each one. You can even skip one. You can do them all in one day, or spread them out throughout the week. You will keep a journal during the week following prompts from the e-mail retreat. **To be part of this Weekly Lenten E-mail Retreat send an e-mail to Fr. Teri at [pastor@lightofchristecc.org](mailto:pastor@lightofchristecc.org) and indicate that you want to participate in the e-mail retreat.** You should expect to receive your first Weekly Lenten E-mail Retreat the day before Ash Wednesday on Tuesday March 5th. If you do not have e-mail, contact Fr. Teri and she will make a hard copy of the retreat for you. If you have any questions, talk to Fr. Teri. **Deadline to sign up for the retreat is Sunday March 2nd.** Blessings.

## ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE



## LENTEN FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER

We will be having Friday morning prayer in the office each Friday in Lent from 6:30 to 7:00am. All are welcome, and each gathering will be different, so you can attend just one, or all of them. **Put these dates on your calendar and plan to join us for some Lenten quiet and prayer. March 8, March 15, March 22, March 29, April 5, April 12, and Good Friday April 19.** No experience necessary. Please see Fr. Teri if you have any questions.



## MONDAY EVENING LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUP



**Mark your calendars. Starting on Monday evening, March 11th, we will be meeting weekly in the Fireside Room from 7:00 - 8:30 pm to consider the prophetic message of conversion of heart during the Lenten season.** Specifically, we'll look at the writings of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Amos, and Hosea to appreciate their unique message of repentance and their vision of hope for the future. How might Jesus have related to the prophets of the Hebrew Scripture?

We'll consider questions about what makes a prophet and we'll discuss modern day prophets and their message for our times. Each session includes prayer, scripture reading and thoughtful discussion. **We welcome everyone.** Questions? Contact Helen Majzler.