

PASTOR'S COLUMN-- JANUARY 14, 2013

Dear Parishioners:

This time of year we hear about people who fall thru the ice on lakes. It is sad that people make poor judgments about ice thickness, fall thru and in some instances they drowned. A little more careful surveillance of the ice thickness could have avoided such tragedies.

Jesus encourages us to carefully survey the cost of following him. As Jesus' disciples, we may underestimate the profound Holy Communion we have with Jesus. His constant oneness with us puts any "chilliness" about Jesus on "thin-ice". We do not want to fall into having a "chilly" attitude toward Jesus because he reveals the deep and solid Love of our Creator Father that we can stand securely on into eternal life.

Caution is essential when walking on lake ice, including surveying the ice thickness on a regular basis. Without doing so, we are prone to falling thru the ice to our demise. Caution as Jesus' disciples entails surveying the cost "depth" on a regular basis when it comes to the profound Holy Communion we have with Jesus. Walking on ice is not to be taken lightly nor is walking with Jesus to be taken lightly for Jesus is our salvation.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry