

PASTOR'S COLUMN—JULY 14, 2014

Dear Parishioners:

A real life changer for us is to live in the intimacy of God. What this suggests is to see, hear, smell, touch and taste God's depths. It implies living with a 6<sup>th</sup> sense of letting go of control and trusting that the inner depths of God will do what God needs to do with us moment by moment. It joins Jeremiah from the Old Testament in devouring God's Word (Scripture) to the point that we "digest" God's Word and it becomes flesh in our very person. Thus, our 5 senses are constantly impacted by enfleshment in God's dynamic Word, namely, Jesus. Holy Communion with Jesus is intimacy with God all the time. The weekly Eucharist is our sacrament strengthening in remembering our constant depth of intimacy with God.

The 6<sup>th</sup> sense of trusting that God will do great things for us frees us up to be more creative about life. The pressure is off of us in regards to impressing people or winning a prize. We can allow the playful energy of the mystery of God dazzle us as children of God. Here is where Jesus' "yoke is easy and the burden light".

To see, hear, smell, touch and taste in God's depth of intimacy is to live as new creations every day. No, we will not be in control but will be plummeting into depths of intimacy with God that will set us on a more consistent course of wisdom.

In God's Intimacy,

Fr. Terry