

PASTOR' COLUMN—JULY 28, 2014

Dear Parishioners:

Traveling this time of year is fairly common. Immediately we might think of traveling as going somewhere in a car, train or plane. However, traveling with the Lord Jesus points to the travel “vehicle” of the Holy Spirit. We are in “travel” mode with Jesus whether we are at home or in a car, train or plane etc.

As pilgrim people on the faith journey, we are to be “site-seers” observing how God is working on us today and every day. The itinerary is a mystery but the destination is inner peace. The more faithful we are to the “travel log” of the Holy Spirit, the more inner peace we will experience no matter where we are geographically.

There will be times when we will say to Jesus: “Where are we going now on this faith journey?” “You want us to go where?” Ah, yes, conversion in Christ can be a “Safari” like no other. Things can get wild in the Holy Spirit, but our faith in God keeps us open to new conversion “destinations”.

Jesus encourages us to travel light on the faith journey, to travel with courage and not lug around “suitcases” of fear. Trust in God sets us free.

Any time of the year is appropriate for the faith journey. Humbly admitting we don't know where we are going in Christ is an honest appraisal of how God's Ways unfold. But consistent inner peace in Christ makes this “wild” faith “travel” worth the risk.

Loving you in the faith journey,

Fr. Terry