

PASTOR' COLUMN—SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

Dear Parishioners:

Football season is upon us with kids thru adults putting teams together to compete with each other in the journey to the end zone. No matter what level of football, the goal is the same: get into the end zone with the football.

Concussions in football are becoming more of a concern because of the violence in the game. Many enjoy watching people get tackled/hit hard in the name of fierce competition. But a persistent limitation called “concussions” lingers on the football field. Jesus is constantly with us helping us in the Holy Spirit to discern our human limitations. Being hit hard in the head can lead to health problems later on. Jesus helps us juggle not only with head injuries but also with other behaviors that might be injurious to us.

Freely choosing to play football is risky but it is a legitimate choice we can make. Concussion consequences remind us of how fragile the human person is on and off the football field. Jesus is faithful to us in the Holy Spirit no matter what happens to us but the most important “end zone” is God’s Kingdom of Love which includes taking loving care of the body God gives us.

Loving you in Christ,

Fr. Terry