

September 11, 2020

Dear Parishioners:

This weekend, we celebrate a number of things; all of which are wonderful to celebrate!

First, this is the anniversary weekend for Corpus Christi. We have been here in this little corner of Cincinnati for 62 years, now, and continue to be a light for all those passing by on Hamilton Ave. The parish anniversary is a time to look back and see how God has worked throughout the history of the parish, as well as an opportunity to look forward to how God is leading us into the future to continue to be the living Body of Christ. For me, as a pastor, the parish anniversary is always a time to give particular thanks for the blessings that have come through my relationship with the parish; of which there are many! I also pray that God will continue to strengthen the bonds of community and our relationship with Himself through the work that we do.

This weekend, we are also offering a 'back to school' blessing for all of our students, teachers and administrators who work in education, whether in the parochial or public school systems. Obviously, the education of our young people is the biggest task that we have in our ministry with them; and this year, there are greater challenges than ever in shaping and forming our young people, while also doing our best to keep them safe in the midst of the global pandemic. Those who work in the education system are truly doing heroic work, even more so this year than in years past.

There are more somber things to remember this weekend, too. Nineteen years ago, the unthinkable happened with the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and the downing of the plane in Pennsylvania. We continue to remember the lives lost on that fateful day. Prayers for peace in our world continue, as do prayers of safety for our military personnel, both active, reserve and retired. So many things that they do go unnoticed, but they should never be unappreciated. May the King of Peace reign always. (This anniversary is more poignant for me this year as my nephew and godson is heading to basic training in the US Army Reserves in a few weeks.)

I think that will keep us all busy enough for the weekend, that's for sure! Please be assured of my prayers for you and your families during this time. For those who are coming to Mass, it is great to see you every weekend. For those who are not yet comfortable coming back, know that we miss you and are certainly praying for you every day!

God Bless,

Fr. Kyle

Pastor