



ALL SAINTS – MOVING FROM DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

In light of the recent election and an overwhelming call for healing, All Saints Catholic Church has created some preliminary actions to empower our parishioners and help us prepare ourselves during this advent season.

ANGST & ANGUISH ADVENT FIRE

We invite everyone to honor their fears and pain by capturing any and all of their concerns on the slips of paper provided and dropping them into the "Moving into Light" Angst & Anguish Bowl. At the end of advent, we will gather to throw these all in the fire, with the hopes of opening ourselves up for new light in keeping with Christ's birth as the Light of the World.

These concerns may be for anything we want to rid ourselves and the world of... including the apparent divisiveness in our country, our community and even in our homes... including all forms of racism, sexism, homophobia, xenophobia (fear of the other) and all forms of fear in all of its hideous disguises.

LISTENING SESSIONS

We have also created a series of Listening Sessions to provide everyone an opportunity to express their feelings, concerns and ideas for constructive solutions. Two Listening Sessions have already taken place. The next two are scheduled for Saturday, December 3 (10:00 a.m.) and Thursday December 8 (5:00 p.m.) in the sitting area of the Narthex.

If you are interested in us scheduling more sessions, please let Fr. Bob know.

"MOVING FROM DARKNESS INTO LIGHT" REPORT TO THE ARCHDIOCESE

We will compile all of your concerns from the Listening Sessions into a report which will be presented to the Archdiocese. This report will serve as a call to the Archdiocese to lead our community by addressing our concerns during our country's time of transition.

LET PEACE BE WITH US ALL.

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument
of Your peace;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master,
Grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled, as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive.
It is in pardoning,
that we are pardoned.
And it is in dying,
that we are born to Eternal Life.
Amen.