

## St. Mary Bible Study Options – Fall 2020/Winter 2021

### Lectio Divina Bible Study Groups (virtual for 2020)

General notes for all Lectio Divina group studies:

- All are welcome. No Bible study experience is necessary to participate in any group.
- You are welcome to observe any of the groups to see if they are right for you.
- Each of the LDBS groups are flexible and schedule may vary throughout the year.
- Due to meeting restrictions for the current health crisis, all sessions will be held virtually on Zoom

#### ***Tuesday Morning Lectio Divina Bible Study***

This *Lectio Divina Bible Study* is fashioned after Stephen Binz brochure *The Secret of Making Scripture Come Alive*. Guided by the Holy Spirit we come with open minds and hearts to this ancient Biblical prayer/study within its five structured movements: Listen, Understand, Reflect, Pray and Action. A richly rewarding way to study the Word of God. Sessions focus on the upcoming Sunday readings.

- Morning sessions offered on Tuesdays 9:15 – 10:00 a.m.
- Sessions are held in one of the meeting rooms at the Parish Center.
- Preparation: Each session takes less than an hour of commitment study on participants' part. You may use any Bible. The William Barclay's Catholic Study Bible(s) are helpful and are available through the parish.
- Additional resources and commentaries such as *Give Us This Day* and *Magnificat* are used to explore the Sunday gospels

#### ***Lectio Divina Bible Study with additional study on Monday evenings***

The evening LDBS group has a strong academic component and uses additional resources for those who would like to explore the meaning of the readings more deeply.

- Sessions held on Monday evenings from 7:30- 9:00 p.m.
- Meetings are held virtually via Zoom. You will receive a weekly Zoom invitation
- Participants in the evening group will need to spend some time preparing for the study and are encouraged to use additional commentaries on a weekly basis. Bring your Bible and commentaries and join us.

### Other Scripture Study options:

#### ***Exploring the Sunday Readings***

- Printed materials by emailing Adult Faith Formation
- May be used for personal study and reflection at home or email the Adult Faith Formation ministry if you are interested in joining a small group for weekend discussion.

***Threshold Bible Study*** on various topics are available for small groups or individual study.

### Group Scripture Study Planning:

We are not currently able to plan studies for in person sessions. But St. Mary will forward to planning a new Bible study as soon as we are able. If you are interested in joining the Bible Study Committee to help select and plan the next St. Mary study, please use the contact information below.

If you have question or to register for a group contact:

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