

Dear Friends in Christ,

I am so grateful to get the warmer weather behind us. I would be happy not to see 90 degrees again for the rest of the summer.

This weekend, after all Masses, we will have the opportunity to purchase handcrafted olive wood religious items created by Christian families from the Holy Land. These items make great gifts for Christmas, First Communion, Confirmation, Matrimony, and/or graduation. Our purchase of these gifts helps to support the small community of Christian families who remain in the Holy Land. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Please mark your calendars now for our Stewardship of Talent Fair/Parish celebration on the weekend of August 20/21, after all the Masses in the Parish Gymnasium. We will have representatives from our parish services and ministries available to answer questions and to recruit new volunteers for service to our parish. Following the 7:30 a.m. and 9 a.m. Masses, we will also have coffee and donuts in the Piazza. Beginning at 11 a.m., we will have hotdogs and hamburgers, various delights from our ethnic communities, as well as games, activities, and entertainment. What a wonderful way as a parish to celebrate the summer together, before we transition into all of the activities of the academic year. I so look forward to celebrating with you.

Many thanks for your continued prayers for my injured knee. I am grateful to report no surgery will be required at this time. It is feeling better and stronger every day, in no small part, thanks to your prayers and support.

Peace+



Fr. Tom
Pastor