

Longing for the Holy

Dear Parishioner,

Our parish is beginning a wonderful process called *Longing for the Holy*. This process is about discovering and channeling the deep longing each of us has for God. It will help us discover what spirituality is and what prevents us from living a deeper spiritual life. It is a way to move into the future as a Church of hope.

We are taught, nurtured, challenged and supported in the spiritual life by all the levels of our faith community. The gathered worshiping Church, reception of the sacraments, the variety of small faith-sharing groups, individual relationships of spiritual care: all these are essential parts of our Christian journeys.

Longing for the Holy is designed to nourish the seeker in all of us. One need not be a part of a diocesan or parish group in order to become involved. The only suggested criterion is openness to the process and a desire to participate.

The heart of this process will be the gathering of small groups of people in the church hall to read, pray, and reflect on the Scriptures and faith sharing reflections. The first session will consist of six meetings, one a week, and will begin the week of October 9th. Sign up for the program will be at all Masses the weekend of September 24/25. We are hoping as many people as possible will see this as a moment of grace and will participate. If you would like more information on the program please contact me rectory@icceaston.org or Claire Dalton cddal@comcast.net.

Fr. Jim Fahey