# St. Paul's by-the-Sea Weekly News and Updates

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Author, 'A Life Without a Home', *The New York Times*, 25 February 2024, Opinion Section, pg. 1-6. Photo Credit: Tamara Reynolds for *The New York Times*.

# Lenten Study: Week Three

For our Lenten study this year, we taking a deep dive into a very important issue - homelessness. We will discuss what the gospel has to say about how we treat the needy, we will look at art, poetry, articles, all with the intention of entering into ever more compassion and empathy with our homeless sisters and brothers, so we can then as a parish follow how God is asking us to move in the world to make a change.

Please consider this New York Times article: A Life Without a Home, which includes a collection of photographs and interviews. (*click on image to read it. Use the roller on your mouse to scroll down. The images will move down and from side to side.*)

A COUCH is not a home.

A MOTEL is not a home.

A TENT is not a home.

A CAR is not a home.

A SHELTER is not a home.

For the continuation of our discussion about homelessness this Sunday, bring

your thoughts, reactions, questions, and anything that you have thought about since last week's meeting.

## Introduction to the article

"A record number of people across the country are experiencing homelessness: the federal government's annual tally last year revealed the highest numbers of unsheltered people since the count began in 2007. Politicians and policymakers are grappling with what can be done. But the people who are actually experiencing homelessness are rarely part of the conversation.

Lori Teresa Yearwood, a journalist who lived through years of homelessness, spoke of the ways we discount those without shelter. "Society created a new species of people, and we carefully crafted an image of them: one of broken passivity and victimhood, people in need of constant scrutiny and monitoring," she said in a 2022 speech. "When we shift and widen the perspective of the unhoused, that's when things radically change." Ms. Yearwood collaborated with Times Opinion on this project before her <u>untimely death</u> in September. She understood what many who have not experienced homelessness ignore: that people without shelter have something to say — and often something of great worth — about what it's like to live inside this country's cobbled-together solutions.

That's why we sent reporters and photographers to different parts of the country to meet with people experiencing homelessness in very different ways. We asked them to fill out surveys, take videos, use disposable cameras and have their children share drawings.

Whatever led them to homelessness, the people who spoke to The Times want a way out. As the nation debates how to help them, they shared the solutions they want to see."



## **Holy Week Schedule**

Sunday, March 24: Palm Sunday Service at 10 am Thursday, March 28: Seder Dinner & Maundy Thursday Service at 6 pm Friday, March 29: Good Friday Service at Noon Sunday, March 31: Easter Sunday Service at 10am



Honor or remember those you love by making a donation to the flowers that will grace the Altar this Easter.

Click on the image to the right for a copy of the form to print. Forms are also be available in the church and office. Please mail this form with a check designated for "Easter Flowers" in the memo to the church office or place it in the Offering Plate on Sunday. The deadline to have your dedication included in the Easter bulletin is March 17th.



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## **Prayer List**

Please keep those on our prayer list in your daily prayers.

Robbie Whittington Joyce, Cindy Dreslin, Kyle Harmon, Jose Cabrera, Ryan Fischer, Katlyn, Letty Trimper Hurst, Connie Mayers, Doug Dryden, Brian Friedman, Grace, Randy Hastings, Frank Candeloro, Jr., Douglas Allan, Yvetta Henry Tull, Jean Charles, Jonathan Jones, The Lecates Family, The People of Ukraine, Michael Hallett, Hannah Johnson, Hugh Smith, Ralph Hastings, Frank Avallone, Liana Wallman, Susan Lewis, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Christine Zellner, Brian, Nicoyia, Tom Belle, Aaron Call, Christine Bauerdorf, Lynn Anstatt, Peggy Hartman, Cathy Jersin, Mary Mitchell, Patrick O'Malley, Chris Ellis, David Twining, Roger Ballard, Beverly Cooper, Aniyah Adams, Andy Hales, Hugh, Roger Thomas, Suzy Young, Mary Delaney

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