

Wellspring for Living Stones

A Collection of Prayers, Reflections, and More | Volume 7 | May 20, 2020

The Madonna University mission is steadfast. The faculty and staff of the Mission Core Team would like to share resources rooted in the MU mission to instill Christian humanistic values, intellectual inquiry, a respect for diversity, and a commitment to serving others, to help guide our community through uncharted waters.

We are all coping the best we can amid this pandemic. For me, there are days when I feel like it's getting better and then there are days when it feels like I'm regressing and I'm back where I was before. [I love this article written by Archbishop Vigneron on pages 18-21 of *Unleash the Gospel*](#) when he talks about the "10 Guideposts for Christians in the Time of the Coronavirus Pandemic." Many times I have to force myself to linger on #1:

No time is without its grace.

If I really try and if I really take it seriously, I do find grace. It might not feel like it's grace every moment of every day, but usually, He gives me grace for today.

—
from [Claire Ofiara](#), Director of Diversity & Inclusion,
and Program Director of Mosaic Leadership Academy

Thank you, Lord,
For your support.
Without you life is
Impossible and becomes a contest of
personalities,
in which the strong
and self-assured always win.
When the weak and despised and unlearned
prevail, then I know you are working and
not man's own perverse self-will.
Only your Spirit is wisdom and only
they are wise who open themselves in
that Spirit and surrender to your Father's will.
Come, Lord Jesus.

—from *Song of the Sparrow: Meditations and Poems
to Pray*, by Murray Bodo, OFM

—
from [Jesse Cox](#),
Director of Campus Ministry

Ready for a few minutes of travel?

I invite you on a virtual tour of the Sistine Chapel, an artistic and architectural gem of the Vatican.

One way to experience God's love is to reflect upon sacred art, not only upon its religious themes, but also upon its beauty and mastery, possible thanks to divine gift of extraordinary artistic talent given to some—just like it was given to Michelangelo, whose work you are about to enjoy!

—
from [Andrew Domzalski](#), Professor and Chair of the Department of Humanities and
Co-Director, Center for Catholic Studies & Interfaith Dialogue

A Prayer of Remembrance and Hope [is available here](#). The Mission Core team invites you to join the campus community, as we share this prayer while we are apart, each Monday at 12:00 PM.



Wellspring for Living Stones is [updated, added to, and archived online](#).

If you have questions or concerns, or would like to submit materials to include, please contact Colleen McLellan in the Office of Service-Learning & Civic Engagement: cmclellan@madonna.edu