

REMOTE
Life Groups
at Saint Matthias
SPRING 2020



Week 1 – April 12, 2020 Sermon

Please review these questions and write your answers prior to attending your Life Group meeting. The sermon manuscript and these questions can be accessed each week at saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lifegrouphisweek

Getting to Know One Another

1. Is there an Easter tradition you can share about, either from your nuclear family or your family of origin?

2. What do you expect you will hold onto or remember most about/from Holy Week 2020?
3. Toward the end of Lent, Fr John spoke a lot about self-compassion.
- Was this new for you at all? Or did it resonate? Does this differ from other messages you've received in the Church? If so how?
 - What questions remain for you about this? Or have you experimented with this at all? If so, what was your experience?

Priming the Pump

4. Re-read the gospel text (John 20:1-19), or even read a paragraph before (John 19:38-42) if you like, what stands out to you most from the text, either that was highlighted in the sermon, or not. What strikes you? Or is there a question it raises?

Application

5. The sermon suggested that while many nonbeliever are increasingly closed off to direct evangelistic approaches about Jesus, most everyone is looking for peace and open to hearing how and where it can be found. Therefore, the most significant way our witness can be enhanced is by seeking enter into or receive more of God's peace in our own lives. Do you agree or disagree and why?

6. Optional questions (pick one or both or none)
- Optional: If you had to state how God has most recently changed/transformed your life in one sentence, what would it be?
 - Optional: What is a cutting edge where you desire to enter into more of God's peace?

7. Prayer requests?