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INTO THE BREACH #4 – THE GIFT OF SUFFERING

How Do We Embrace

Into the Breach is a call to battle for Catholic Men, which urges them to embrace wholeheartedly masculine virtues in an imperfect and broken world. The video presentation we will see illustrates the gravity of our duty as men of Christ and offers us an invitation to renew Christ based masculinity.



This month's episode will discuss The Gift of Suffering and how we can turn it around, into a Blessing from God...not just in our own lives, but for others too. It is also a reminder that we can't do it alone. We need Christ. We need courage, conviction, and character. Suffering is a mystery which can bring us closer to God and help us to grow in Holiness. The answer is always the Crucified Christ.

Let us pay close attention to the Video, Holy Scripture and Catechism. May God bless us with His Wisdom, His Work and the wherewithal to complete the mission He's given us. Amen.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

YouTube Video <https://youtu.be/ni7PkuwjF-A>



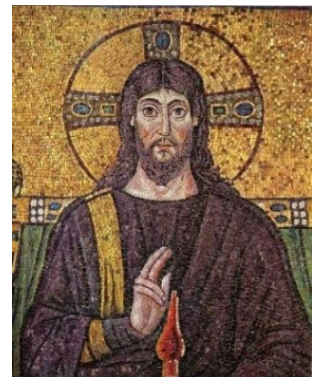
Suffering

Holy Scripture

Romans 8:5-11 – The Flesh and the Spirit

For those who live according to the flesh are concerned with the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the spirit with the things of the spirit.

The concern of the flesh is death, but the concern of the spirit is life and peace. For the concern of the flesh is hostility toward God; it does not submit to the law of God, nor can it; and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.



But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness.

If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Romans 12:1-2 – Sacrifice of Body and Mind

I urge you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.

Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect.

The Word of the Lord

Catechism

CCC 1776 – Moral Conscience

Deep within his conscience, man discovers a law which he has not laid upon himself but which he must obey. Its voice, ever calling him to love and to do what is good and to avoid evil, sounds in his heart at the right moment. . . . For man has in his heart a law inscribed by God. . . . His conscience is man's most secret core and his sanctuary. There he is alone with God whose voice echoes in his depths.



Modern Comment **The Gift of Suffering...Katie's Story**

The Gift of Suffering...Katie's Story

Katie was a 3-sport star in high school. She had everything going for her: intelligence, attractiveness, popularity, athletic skills, a loving family, strong character, and most important, spiritual maturity. And then it happened. Katie was diagnosed with leukemia.

For many months she battled the dreaded disease. In the end she ultimately surrendered to the Will of God. May her story inspire all of us today.



Questions to Focus on:

1. What does the Crucified Christ mean to you? Explain.

2. What is your reaction to this video on suffering? Have you ever received the Gift of Suffering?

Men's Group Calendar

A Man who never quits is Never Defeated. We are ordinary men who labor for Christ.

9/24/2021	Leadership Meet	9:30 AM Meeting Room 1
10/9/2021	MEN'S GROUP	7 AM Mass
10/22/2021	Leadership Meet	9:30 AM Meeting Room 1
11/13/2021	MEN'S GROUP	7 AM Mass
11/26/2021	Leadership Meet	9:30 AM Meeting Room 1
12/11/2021	MEN'S GROUP	7 AM Mass

NOTE: A Rosary starts in the Reservation Chapel immediately following the meeting.



The Memorare

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, we unto fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do we come; before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer us. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruination of souls. Amen.

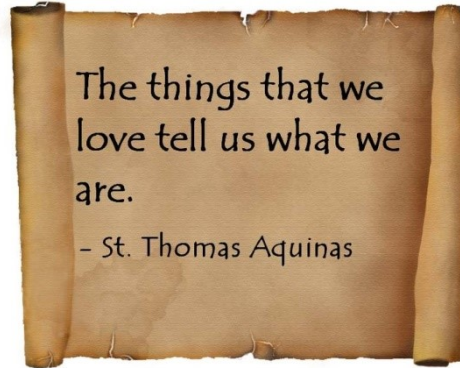


Lord, God and Savior, by your love you draw me to yourself. Forgive me – the sinner that I am, and fill me with every good thing. Come dwell in my heart.

Send forth your Holy Spirit to guide me in your path. Make me worthy of your love, and teach me how to forgive as you forgave.

Thank you for your tender mercies. I ask you to Bless my family, friends and those who I meet on this path. Give them your Joy, Peace and Mercy. Where there is doubt, release in them renewed confidence in the Holy Spirit. Fill their every need with your Holy Grace.

**You are indeed my Lord, God and Savior.
Amen. And AMEN.**



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Jesus wants us to make choices that reflect His presence in our hearts.
Life constantly presents us with opportunities to choose to love & serve one another.
It is not about us, it is about reaching out in love.
Go to the Author of Life.
Go to the Sacraments of Confession & Communion often.