

“Living the Gospel” Series: The Quest for Racial Justice *and Equality*

A 2020 Adult Faith Formation Series, a joint venture of St. Camillus, St. John the Baptist, St. Patrick’s Catholic churches and neighboring parishioners



The next three sessions build on what we are learning and questioning about the ways racial identity and societal racism shape the perspectives, witness and practices of each person in our church and wider community. The goal is to bring us together on a journey of discernment as we explore how the Gospel speaks to each of us in these times. All sessions will be interactive zoom sessions with time for small-group sharing.

Monday evening sessions September 28 and October 5

All are welcome. No need to have participated in previous sessions.

A separate registration is required for each session.

❖ **Sept. 28 – ‘Black lives matter’: Individual Perspectives on the Statement**

The session provides a safe space for our Christian faith community to express views, questions, puzzlement, discomfort or challenges arising from the statement that black lives matter. Our focus is not on the BLM organization. The aim is to model how we, as one family under God, honor differences with patience, love, and understanding, leaving judgment to God alone. Session time will be largely devoted to sharing in groups.

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcqc-qvrzopGd0UEMvyfPEN9WCwK-rUOTZ3>

❖ **October 5 –USCCB Pastoral Letter on Racism, “Open Wide our Hearts”**

A representative of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops will present some points in this pastoral letter that speak to “our call to love” and “openness to encounter and new relationships.” After small group time to share questions and understandings of what was heard, the session will conclude with and question-and-answer period.

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAudeGgqT4uG9GXJwaEtS69mUJQiXEMvZ>

NOTE: If you receive this notice in time for the session on Monday, September 21, **Carmelite Spirituality: A Lesson for Liberation**, please register at

us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlvdeqqrTspHteOpS3bolu3iV-6d3UsK6