

Homily: Easter Sunday April 21 2019

Title: LIGHT

“At daybreak the women took the spices and went to the Tomb.”-I was told this a few moments ago in St John’s Gospel.

The women’s sad task begins at daylight. And it changes when they encounter the men in dazzling clothes. – The women bring this gift of light,-and fresh sight to the apostles. – Their report is dismissed as nonsense- because they’re women of course.

Light changes the way I see. Our term for this is enlightenment, which means, - to emerge from ignorance and misinformation,- to comprehension. Enlightenment happens when I leave my tiny corner of experience and take a 360-degree look around at my life. Life has shaped me as a Christian Catholic Person. Can I see beyond those factors, - to what life might be like,- for a Native American,-a teenager,-a non-citizen, or any mixture of the constellation of elements that might comprise the wheel of personhood?

Because if I can't, then there is surely someone's testimony of truth that I too will dismiss as nonsense. Easter dawns around me this morning. I will not remain in the dark.

For Contemplation

Happy Easter! Let Jesus be my LIGHT that illumines every dark corner in my life.

PRAYER

Lord thank you for dispelling the world's darkness, -- and the darkness in my personal life with the light of your presence in me.

AMEN.