

SR. PAM'S FAREWELL

Today we celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ. It is so fitting. When speaking of the Eucharist, the Body of Christ, St. Augustine once said, "Be what you see, receive what you are." In his first letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul wrote, "Now you are the body of Christ, and each of you is a part of it." We know we receive the Body of Christ in the Eucharist; we know we are the Body of Christ. And that is what you have been for me...The presence of love, acceptance, forgiveness, joy, the Body of Christ...the presence of the Divine.

During my time here, there have been some ups and down, as is normal. Please forgive me when I have hurt or upset you. There have been good times, and difficult times, with the loss of a number of parishioners, and many of my close friends and family members. We can't get through those difficult times without community. So I thank you for being my community, my support.

As my time here draws to a close, I beg you to know and to remember how God loves you so, and will never stop loving you. Let others be that presence of God to you and you be that presence to others. That is what we are called to do. Inside each of you is the fire of Divine Love, which will give you the strength to know what is right and holy, ...to say what is right, and to do what is right, regardless of the consequences.

All I ask of you, is to remember me as loving you. (Song)

"All I Ask of You"

Refrain: All I ask of you is forever to remember me as loving you.

1. Deep the joy of being together in one heart and for me that's just where it is.
2. As we make our way through all the joys and pain, can we sense our younger truer selves?
3. Someone will be calling you to be there for awhile. Can you hear their cry from deep within?
4. Laughter, joy and presence: the only gifts you are! Have you time? I'd like to be with you.
5. Persons come into the fiber of our lives and then their shadow fades and disappears.

But..... *Refrain*

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It has been a privilege serving you. Thank you.