



Reflection from Fr. Mike Roach

On our journey through the season of Lent, we certainly pray for the gift of peace in our world. As we witness what is happening in Ukraine, we realize war cannot be the answer. The devastation of a nation, lives uprooted and people becoming refugees leads us to pray that the U.S., as well as the western nations and NATO can stand strong to support Ukraine and stand up to Russia, so as to put an end to the violence and destruction.

This weekend we celebrate a number of things. As we remember the life of Georgia Walker and celebrate her life, we are grateful for her model of justice and commitment to the poor and to this community. We pray in gratitude for her and Sr. Rose. The work of Journey to New Life makes difference in so many women's lives by supporting them and giving them a new chance in life. May the good work that has begun there continue among us.

We also celebrate St. Patrick's Day, as well as St. Joseph's Day. We call upon the intercession of these Saints, who lived out the faith in some tough times, and the devotions around them to be life-giving for us.

We celebrate the beginning of Spring, and the new life that is budding around us. May this Lenten season help us to hold onto what is important--being life-giving and loving in all that we do, so that the work of God might be made known among us.

*~ Peace,
Fr. Mike*