

# On Line and On Point

MARY MOTHER OF JESUS INCLUSIVE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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## REFLECTIONS ON LAST WEEKEND LITURGY

In celebrating the Birthday of Mary, Elena noted how special is the celebration of the birth of a child. "God must rejoice in every child born." Such rejoicing is not God's alone; it is joined in with parents, family and friends. "Nothing can compare to the joy of a newborn child in the arms of its parent[s]. On the part of the child, Elena shared a rather first person journey of birth, concluding that there is the isolated transition of the infant into the joy of living in the world of others. Said Elena, "If the baby would ask us, Why am I here?" What would you answer?

**OFFERINGS**—Please remember to make your regular donations to MMOJ by sending your check to MMOJ % St. Andrew UCC, 6908 Beneva Road, Sarasota, FL 34238. Thank you for your ongoing generosity. We are most grateful for your overall care and concern for our community

**OUTREACH**—[to be announced]

## WHAT'S AHEAD: LITURGY FOR THIS

**WEEKEND**—Our presiders on Saturday will be Lee Breyer and Kathryn Shea. The theme that they will lead us in celebration is "Love, peace and forgiveness in troubled times." The readers for our Liturgy will be Cheryl Brandi and Joan Meehan. See you then.

**COMMUNITY MEMBERS**—[A suggested commentary offered by Lee Breyer, after learning that there apparently will be quite a large area of white in this weekend's OLOP]

This area is open to you for your stories, your interests of MMOJ's present and future. How do you like the Zoom method for the liturgy? Is it compelling? For a long time, the header for the weekly liturgy was "Mary Mother of Jesus Inclusive Catholic Community,) as you would expect. On the line under that name was "Interesting, Inviting, Involving, Inspiring", describing - hopefully - the welcoming and developing emotional stages of visitors and members of that community through its liturgies. Was that ever descriptive of your experience? Is it today?

**EDITOR'S NOTE**—See OFFERINGS, the same info two weeks in a row. OUTREACH remains out there somewhere. LITURGY information is like having teeth pulled. If I remember right, with my weakened ability to hear things, it seems that the first editor of OLOP—Carol Ann Breyer, whose anniversary of death is celebrated Sep 12—was constantly concerned about this apathy and inaction. Question: Is OLOP necessary, if you consider all the special announcements, must-read published articles, personal blogs, etc?

### Mary Mother of Jesus Inclusive Catholic Community Mission Statement

We are a Christ-centered community of equals, consisting of women and men, ordained and non-ordained, empowered by the Spirit whose mission is to worship, to serve, to promote compassion, justice and care for creation.