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My dear Kirkland Catholics,

It is with sadness that we found out this morning about the Holy Father's death. He was a passionate and compassionate shepherd, and a man of God. I am very grateful for his ministry. We will find out more in the coming days about Pope Francis' funeral plans, and when the conclave will commence.

During this time, we of course pray for the repose of the Holy Father's soul, but just or more importantly we pray for our church and for the Holy Spirit to be followed diligently by the Cardinal electors and everyone else involved in this process. Although the pope himself is infallible in certain limited declarations, the election of the single optimal Pontiff the Lord desires for our Church at a given conclave interval is not an infallible process or choice. So, our prayer for the Church is especially important during this time.

During the Octave of Easter special memorial Masses are prohibited, even for the pope. That is why the archbishop will not say a Mass until next Monday. Please see below about upcoming opportunities in the next couple weeks to come together and pray as a parish family and as a diocese.

With love in Christ,
Fr. Brad

Mass with a Votive for the death of Pope Francis with Archbishop Etienne

Monday, April 28

12:10 PM at St. James Cathedral

Read Archbishop Etienne's statement [here](#).

Rosary in honor of Pope Francis with Fr. Val

- Wednesday, April 23
After the 6:30 PM Mass at Holy Family (approx. 7:00 PM)
- Friday, April 25
After the 9:00 AM Mass at St. John Vianney (approx. 9:30 AM)

Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis

Date and Time to be determined