

"FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JONATHAN"

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This week I have continued to read the Holy Father's "Apostolic Exhortation" on The Family, titled "Amoris Laetitia", that is, "The Joy of Love". I can't recommend it enough to all of you!! Whether you are young or old, single or married, the document is a deeply spiritual and practical treatise on the joy that God wants us to experience in divine and human love within the family. Our Holy Father goes deep into the difficulties that all of us face within the family. He proposes how the Church should deal with these issues, but also how the solutions are sometimes complicated.

Would any of you have interest in studying this document in a reading group? Maybe we could have one of the priests of the parish lead a discussion group about several of the chapters. Please let us know if you have interest. You can always reach me by calling the parish, writing me an email, or leaving a message with Elizabeth in the parish office.

Finally, I wanted to give you all the good news that, after last weekend's petition, we have now raised nearly \$26,000 for the "Cardinal's Appeal". I have no doubt that we will reach our goal of \$37,500. If you haven't made your pledge yet, please take an envelope from the back of the church and drop it off in the office or in the collection basket.

God bless you!!

Father Jonathan