

# Daily Message from Msgr. Dennis...

Tuesday, Second Week of Easter, April 20, 2020

Readings: Acts 4:23-31; Psalm 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8



Dear Parishioners:

Remember Emily Litella from Saturday Night Live about , oh, 40 years ago when SNL was actually funny? She was the one who'd have a news commentary which usually began; "What's all this I hear about ...." and then she'd go off on a tirade that eventually had to be interrupted and corrected. Realizing she'd been totally mistaken she would respond: "Never mind." So, What's all this we hear about the safety precautions we have been asked to endure to flatten the curve and squash the coronavirus is a violation of our civil liberties, a rejection of our Constitutional rights, the actions of repressive governments that have no business interfering with our rights because, you know, gosh and golly, WE'RE AMERICANS and this is a free country and no one is going to tell us what to do even if what we're doing risks further damage to everyone else? One can only hope that the self-centered, all-about-me, foolish attitudes being displayed will listen to reason and eventually say: "Never mind." Hey! I t's inconvenient, unsettling, cabin feverish, I'm going stir crazy reality, but it *is* reality. *Everyone* is suffering these days and we are all in this together; and it is only together that we will be able to emerge from this successfully. To risk allowing COVID-19 to explode again because people were upset that they were being inconvenienced (like one woman quoted in today's UT said she's upset because she has to wax her eyebrows herself and couldn't get her nails done – really – it's in there - read what that foolish person said) is not only irrational but borders on the immoral if not the insane. To think only of oneself and not of others, to endanger others for one's personal gratification is contrary to every fiber of Christian morality. Once again, THINK! BE RATIONAL! Let your faith influence your politics, not your politics influence your faith! When will all of this end? It would be nice to know.

**A Little Humor:** Keep that brain working: Try to figure this one out. See if you can figure out what these seven words all have in common: Banana, Dresser, Grammar, Potato, Revive, Uneven, Assess.

Give it another try. Go ahead, try it.

Look at each word carefully. You'll kick yourself when you discover the answer. No, it's not that they all have at least 2 double letters. Ready? Here's the answer. In all of the words listed, if you take the first letter, place it at the end of the word, and then spell the word backwards, it will be the same word.

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