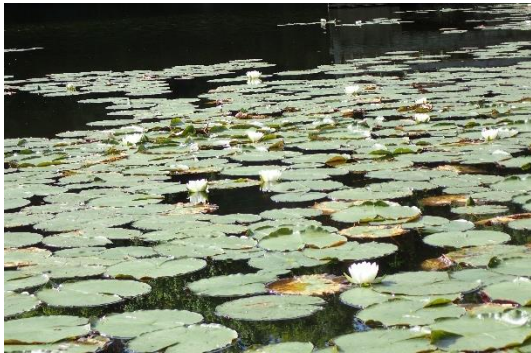
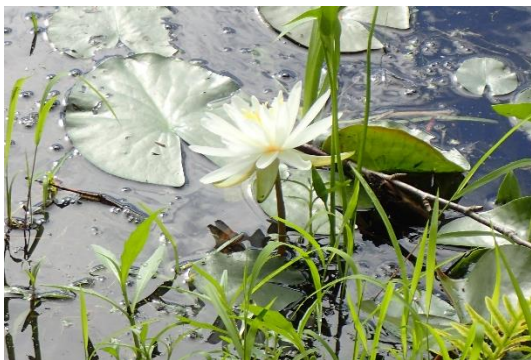


PASTORAL CARE MESSENGER

Christ Church Cathedral Ottawa, August 2020



When this is over

May we never again
Take for granted
A handshake with a stranger
Full shelves at the store
Conversations with neighbors
A crowded theater
Friday night out
The taste of communion
A routine checkup
The school rush each morning
Coffee with a friend
The stadium roaring
Each deep breath
A boring Tuesday
Life itself.

When this ends

May we find
That we have become
More like the people
We wanted to be
We were called to be
We hoped to be
And may we stay
That way — better
For each other
Because of the worst.

— Laura Kelley Fanucci

O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world. We offer our prayers for all who are on our hearts due to our concern for them and/or our gratitude for their caring and love for us. Knowing you, God, are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God, Amen.

— Richard Rohr

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