## Scripture for Reflection

## OUR 2021 THEME

 " Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength"
## A prayer for our Parish:

Everlasting God, we give thanks that when we are faint or weary, you remain our strong Creator. This time of pandemic has shown us our weaknesses, has stretched our understanding, and has made us learn new skills for waiting. Help us, in all of this, to wait for you, that our strength may be renewed for our walk into the future following Christ our Lord.

## Amen.

An intercessory prayer:
Lord for whom we wait, hear our prayer for the faint, the powerless, the weary, and all in need, and by your healing power renew them, and renew us in our service to them, for Christ's sake. Amen.

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Isaiah 40:28-31
Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Genesis 49:18
(Jacob said) I wait for your salvation, O Lord.
Psalm 27:14
Wait for the Lord;
be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the Lord!
Psalm 40:1
I waited patiently for the Lord;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
Micah 7:7
But as for me, I will look to the Lord, I will wait for the God of my salvation; my God will hear me.

## Colossians 1:11-12

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

