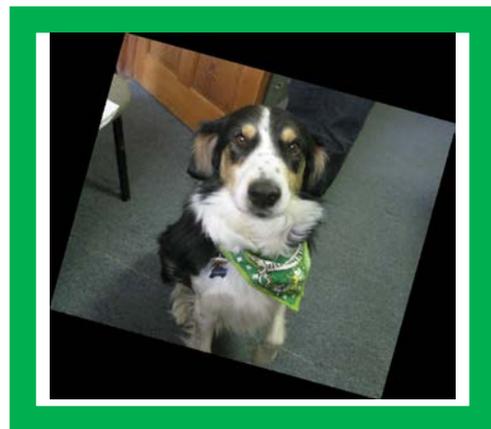


CLANCY'S CLICHÉS

The season of Lent is a time for reflection and prayer. Extracurricular spiritual reading is encouraged and a special source provided some interesting notes regarding Noah. In PAWndering for a while, here are some thoughts I'd like to pass on after reading about Noah:



- ♣ Don't miss the boat. (Especially if you're running on what we call "Schutte" time around the parish.)
- ♣ Don't forget that we're all in the same boat. (God created us ALL!)
- ♣ Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.
- ♣ Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone might ask you to do something REALLY big. (That's only 85 years in dog years.)
- ♣ Don't listen to critics; just get on with what has to be done. (I like to act like I'm not listening to anyone, either, so I can do my dog job.)



- ♣ Build your future on high ground. (The sofa is 2' high—I can jump that high.)
- ♣ For safety's sake, travel in pairs. (This I like! Where's the leash?)
- ♣ Two heads are better than one. (Except for that cat who's always in my dreams.)

Even eating is more comfy in a prone Position!

- ♣ Speed isn't always an advantage; the snails were on board with the cheetahs. (I must be on the same track as the snails—do they like to nap, too?)
- ♣ When you're stressed, float awhile. (A root beer float from Putz's is especially helpful and therapeutic.)
- ♣ Remember that the ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic was built by professionals. (But amateurs do work at "glacial" speed, like me, to get it done right.)
- ♣ Remember that woodpeckers inside are a larger threat than the storm outside. (Get the "point"?)
- ♣ Take care of your animals as if they were the last ones on earth. (As I said earlier—God created us ALL!)
- ♣ When the doo-doo gets really deep, don't sit there and complain--shovel! (Glad I have Rick here at the parish to help me with that one. He's the BEST!)
- ♣ Stay below deck during the storm. (Or under my master's desk.)

- ♣ If you have to start over, have a friend by your side. (St. Leo's has a wonderful pack of fantastic friends, neighbors, partners, and people who are willing to ride the waves—high ones and low ones!)
- ♣ No matter how bleak it looks, there's always a rainbow on the other side. (Isn't it March? Where's the leprechaun with the pot of gold?)
- ♣ And here's a picture of a friend of mine. We speak the same language!

Ark, Ark, Ark! Clancy

