Thought for the day – Monday 28th March 2022

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Seeds for the Soul

I found another book on my shelf which I thought to open, 'Seeds for the soul' Sunday Homilies for cycle C by Brendan McGuire (The Columba Press).

I thought it might help with a sermon, but I found some interesting and funny stories – at least I thought so.

Witness to his presence

Someone once called a priest to say that he wanted to join the parish. He went on to explain, however, that he did not want to have to go to Mass every Sunday, study the bible, be a lector or Eucharistic Minister, visit the sick or help as a sponsor for candidates or catechumens.

The priest commended the man for his desire to be a member of the parish, but told him that the church he wanted was located across town. The man took the directions and hung up. When he arrived at the address the priest gave him, he came face to face with the logical conclusion of his own apathetic attitude. For there stood an abandoned church and several other buildings, all boarded up and ready for demolition.

(Brian Cavanaugh Sowers seeds aplenty)

I was struck by the story --- I am sure that we are not that apathetic --

I wonder what the man thought?

How do we live out our faith in church and the world?