

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 26, 2009

**Homily Next Week:**  
Fr. Chris Hadley, S.J.

**Readings for  
Sunday August 2, 2009**  
FIRST READING: EXODUS 16:2-4,12-15  
SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4:17,20-24  
GOSPEL: JOHN 6:24-35

**Weekend Mass Schedule**  
**Saturday** - 5 p.m.  
**Sunday** - 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

**Weekday Mass Schedule**  
**Monday - Friday** - 7:00 a.m.

**Reconciliation**  
**Saturday** - 3:30-4:15 p.m. in the Church  
or by appointment

**Parish Center Hours**  
**Monday-Thursday** - 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
**Friday** - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
**Saturday** - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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# Welcome Fr. John

Dear Friends & Companions,

Peace of Christ!

It is a wonderful, and wonderfully undoing thing, to arrive at a wholly new ministry and feel as though you already at home; but in some ways that is what I am feeling today. St. Joseph Church was the place where I first became a priest - ordained by Bishop Treinan of Idaho, I lay on the ground and smelled the incense as it wafted over me while the chant of the choir invoked the saints for blessing.

Then, years later, I knelt on the steps of the old platform and professed my final vows as a Jesuit, framed by the stained glass and looking across the altar as Fr. Bob Grimm held aloft the body and blood of the Lord. I have been honored to bless this congregation with the relics of St. Francis Xavier when Cissy McLane and I began anew the tradition of the Novena of Grace; and I have been humbled to be received with love and support when, as Provincial, I spoke to you of the sins which have touched our Province to the heart.

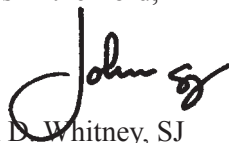
In all these moments, I have found St. Joseph to be a place of grace and revelation, where I found a home because I found Christ so present and so much astir.

Now, in this new role as your pastor, I come as one on mission among you, not to tell you some new truth, but to proclaim with my whole heart and my whole life a truth you already know and live: that the love of Jesus Christ is in our midst, calling us to courage, inviting us to hope, inspiring us to make not just this parish but all the world a sacred place, charged (in the words of the Jesuit poet) "with the grandeur of God."

My hope and my prayers today are that I will serve you well as a companion in this work of faith which is our parish. And though you may, at least occasionally, shake your heads and wonder about my judgment, I hope you will share your wisdom and your work with me, so that, together, we may make gentle the life of the world. Please know that my door is open and, even when my calendar is full, my desire is to hear you and respond with honesty, with grace, and with discernment.

Thank you for allowing me to come home, and for reminding me (as my mother would) that I'm not a guest and still have to do the dishes.

Yours in the Lord,



John D. Whitney, SJ

## Calendar

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| Monday, July 27  | Sacred Silence, 7 PM  |
| Friday, July 31  | Eucharistic Adoration, 7:30-11 AM<br>Loyola Chapel, Parish Center |
| Sunday, August 2 | Come to the Quiet ...<br>5 PM (before Mass)                       |

Note: Daily masses (Monday-Friday) are celebrated in the Arrupe Room at 7 AM and the Blessed Sacrament will be reserved in the Loyola Room (the old rectory chapel) both located in the Parish Center.

## Social Justice

### Climate Change Legislation

The United States House of Representatives passed the American Clean Energy Security Act (ACES) on June 26, 2009. ACES is a comprehensive energy bill that has as its primary feature a "cap-and-trade" (cap on emissions and tradable emission credits) global warming reduction plan designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 17% by 2020. The Bill was passed by a narrow margin (219 to 212) in the House and will be considered by the Senate when they reconvene after their summer recess.

Enactment by the Senate will be more difficult and as a result, the Social Justice Commission is asking you, as a member of St. Joseph Parish, to contact Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell before the summer recess begins on August 10th. Ask them to vote for this Bill. Let them know that you are a member of St. Joseph Parish.

We are also asking you to contact your friends in other states, particularly Montana. Senator Max Baucus of Montana is Chair of the Finance Committee and represents a State with some of the largest coal reserves in the world. Senator Baucus is currently undecided about ACES. Because of the financial implications of this Bill, he will have a great deal of influence on how ACES is considered in the Senate.

The weekend of August 1 and 2 the Social Justice Commission will be conducting a letter writing campaign in the vestibule so you may contact your senators.

### Sunday 9 am Childcare

There will be no Sunday 9 am childcare during Mass for the month of August. It will resume in the Fall. Watch the bulletin for the new start date.

*St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For the success and comfort of Maggie's upcoming eye surgery... To be able to buy a small place in Seattle... Finding peace within self and with God ...For those who have been displaced for various reasons to hear good news... Gratitude for all God's blessings... For a son to grow stronger and to learn how to face his addiction.*

## Prayer Tree



*"My heart and my body cry out for joy to the living God... How blessed are those who find their strength in you."*

*Psalm 84*

If you are interested in having someone placed on the prayer tree, please contact Renée Leet at 324-2522 or rleet@stjosephparish.org

#### LEGAL NOTICE

- SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE BANKRUPTCY -

#### NOTICE OF DEADLINE TO FILE CLAIMS

IF YOU SUFFERED INJURY BY PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR SEXUAL ABUSE OR MISCONDUCT BY A JESUIT PRIEST OR OTHER PERSON FOR WHICH YOU CLAIM THE SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE HAS SOME RESPONSIBILITY, OR IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER REASON TO ASSERT A CLAIM AGAINST THE SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE, YOU MUST ACT NOW TO FILE YOUR CLAIM

#### THE LAST DAY TO FILE CLAIMS IS NOVEMBER 30, 2009

SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE (the "Debtor") has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection (United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Oregon, Case No. 09-30938-elpl1). The Bankruptcy Court has ordered that all persons with a claim for damages against the SOCIETY OF JESUS, OREGON PROVINCE for injuries resulting from sexual, mental, or physical misconduct or abuse, or for any other reason, must file a claim on or before November 30, 2009.

You must complete and file a proof of claim if: (1) you contend that the Debtor is responsible for any injury or other damages to you because you claim that you were injured by physical, mental, or sexual abuse or misconduct, whether by a priest, other clergy, a worker, a volunteer, an employee or other person or entity within the states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington (the "Oregon Province Territory") for which you claim the Debtor has some responsibility; or through such acts that occurred outside the Oregon Province Territory for which you claim the Debtor has some responsibility; or (2) if you have a claim against the Debtor for any other reason.

For more information, or to receive a long form Notice of Claims Bar Date and Proof of Claim Form write to: Society of Jesus Oregon Province Case, c/o BMC Group, Inc., PO Box 3020, Chanhassen, MN 55317-2011, call the toll free number listed below, or visit the website set forth below.

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