

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 13, 2009

**Homily Next Week:**  
Fr. John Whitney, S.J.

**Readings for**

**Sunday, September 20, 2009**

FIRST READING: WISDOM 2:12,17-20

SECOND READING: JAMES 3:16-4:3

GOSPEL: MARK 9:30-37

**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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## The Holy Spirit & Us

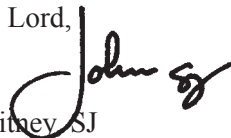
One of the great rituals of the Catholic school year is the opening mass of the Holy Spirit. So far, I have been to two—one for Holy Names Academy and one for Seattle Preparatory—but at least one more is on its way, as we gather this week with our own school community on Wednesday morning. All these Holy Spirit masses have led to more than a little reflection on the Spirit, and reflections upon what the Holy Spirit means to us as Catholic Christians. Though we all pray in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I am not always sure I know what that means; so I offer you a few of my thoughts.

When we speak of the Holy Spirit as a “*person*” of the Trinity, it can sound as though the Spirit is just God’s second child (sort of like “Jesus’ kid brother”), when in fact, there is much more to it than that; for the Spirit is person not as the Son is person, but in a different sense. From all eternity, the Father is loving the Son, lavishing upon him everything that he is. And from all eternity, the Son is loving the Father, and giving to him everything he is. That movement, that energy between these two related and loving persons, is the Spirit. Not an independent *thing*, the Spirit is the action of God loving—Father loving Son and Son loving Father. It is God as *verb*—uniting and somehow transcending the singularity of a self-centered being through a self-emptying act of love.

It is the Spirit who carries the very life of God into the void in the loving act of creation; and the Spirit who encompasses Mary and fills her with the Word made flesh, Jesus. It is this Spirit that Jesus commends into the hands of the Father, and then breathes out upon the disciples to begin the Church. And it is this Spirit—this activity of God—that is breathed into us at our own creation (just as it was into the dust that became Adam) and which unites us to God as *in-spired* and alive people. It is the fact that we share this same Spirit (which is ours’ as much as it is Jesus’) that unites us to the Trinity; and it is what we mean when we pray to the Father, *through* the Son, by the Holy Spirit. Every action of caring, trusting, hoping, believing, creating, redeeming, and loving is the Spirit within us—the same Holy Spirit that moves from the Father to the Son, from God to us, and from us to God. All who live, therefore, are united by the Spirit we share.

Given all this, it makes sense that we start our school year with a Mass of the Holy Spirit. For through this celebration, we recall the great truth of our Christian faith: we cannot simply *be* holy, we must *do* holy; we cannot simply *have* faith, we must *do* faith; we cannot just *possess* love, we must *practice* love; we cannot be God’s people without making God’s action—i.e., God’s Spirit—our own. May our children (and all of us) learn that lesson well.

Yours in the Lord,



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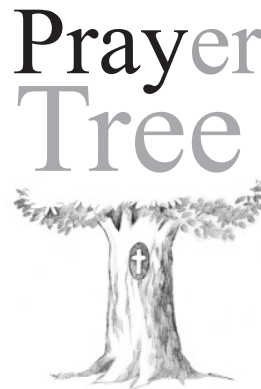
## Calendar

Sunday, September 13	Parish/School Picnic, 1-4 PM
Monday, September 14	Altar Server Training, 3 PM Called to Protect Class, 6:30 PM School Auditorium Sacred Silence, 7 PM
Wednesday, September 16	School Mass of the Holy Spirit, 9 AM
Thursday, September 17	Eco-Justice Meeting, 7 PM OWLS Potluck Supper, 6 PM Social Hall
Friday, September 18	Eucharistic Adoration, 7:30-11 AM Loyola Chapel, Parish Center
Sunday, September 20	Altar Server Training, 12:30 PM Come to the Quiet ... 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.

*St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions:*

For Brian's continued miracle regarding his health . . . Thank you for your prayers for a woman who was able to buy a place . . . For those who are coping with losses, we pray for guidance and inner peace . . . For James, Abel and other cancer patients, we pray for them, their families and the medical staff . . . For Joanna's intentions.



Please remember in your prayers Joan Metzger and Julie Dragovich Coan whose funeral services were held last week. May God's eternal light be with them and other loved ones we have cherished.

*"Be an example to all . . . in the way you speak and behave . . . you have in you a spiritual gift."*

*1 Timothy 4:7-16*

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

## Fall Blood Drive.

**Monday, September 14th, in the Arrupe Room, 1 - 3 pm and 3:45 - 7 p.m.** We need your participation to have a successful drive! If you haven't signed up for an appointment, just come in at any time. We'll be delighted to see you! Remember, the need for blood is constant and many of us will require a transfusion at some time in our lives. Donating blood takes about an hour of your day but is well spent! Each blood donation is a gift of life!

## *Called to Protect Class*

If you plan to volunteer at St. Joseph School/Parish during the 2009-2010 school year and have NOT taken the **required** 3-hour Safe Environment Program "Called to Protect for Ministries" training class, there will be a "Called to Protect for Ministries" class at St. Joseph School **Monday, September 14th, at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Joseph School auditorium.** For more information or any questions, please contact Jane Mueller at jmueller@stjosephsea.org or 329-3260, ext 226.

## RCIA

### Come and See

*"What the Catholic Church has to offer"*

Tuesday September 29th

7:00pm – 8:30pm

St. Joseph's Parish Center

- Are you, your spouse, a friend, or an acquaintance a member of another faith tradition but worship regularly here at St. Joseph's?
- Are you experiencing God's call in your life and seeking Baptism or full communion with the Catholic Church?
- If you are, please consider participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. The RCIA is an opportunity to explore with others what the Catholic Church has to offer. It is an opportunity, through a process of discernment and gradual conversion to become a full member of the Catholic Church.

If you are interested, contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at 965-1646 or steve@stjosephparish.org We would be happy to meet with you and provide further information regarding our inquirers' sessions. All are welcome in this journey of faith. Come join us.

## Thank You from Maryknoll Missionaries

### A Note of Appreciation from our pastor

"We have received a letter of thanks to the community at St. Joseph from the Maryknoll Missionaries. In the first reports, 96 families asked to receive Maryknoll Magazine and the community contributed \$2,630.00 through the collection. I want to add my thanks, as well. Each day I become more grateful to be identified with this community and with the way we live the gospel--thoughtfully voting with our lives for that which is important." *Ad majorem Dei gloriam*

## Adult Faith Formation

### Foundations in Faith

What does the Catholic Church believe and what difference does it make in my life? Using the Bible, *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*, and Church documents, this adult enrichment program will explore the Catholic interpretation of scripture, key theological concepts, and the history of the Church. This is a wonderful opportunity for an in-depth look at Catholic teaching and its implications for our everyday lives.

Classes this year include Israel's Sacred History, Morality, Christology and Church, Sacraments and Liturgy, Gospel of John, and Council of Trent/Vatican II. You can come to one or all classes.

Classes take place on 9/20/09, 10/18/09, 11/22/09, 2/21/10, 3/7/10, 3/21/10 and 4/18/10 at St. Peter's on Beacon Hill from 1:30-5:30 PM. Cost: \$5 per class. (Co-sponsored by St. Joseph with the South Seattle Deanery) For information, contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at 206-965-1646 or [steve@stjosephparish.org](mailto:steve@stjosephparish.org)

## Altar Server Training

### New and Current Servers in the Church

All 4th graders and older are invited to join the Altar Serving Team. Training will be for current and new youth and will take approximately 1 hour to complete. Contact Dottie Farewell at [dfarewell@stjosephparish.org](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org) or 965-1652 to sign up for a day and time from below:

Monday, September 14th at 3pm

Sunday, September 20th at 12:30pm

## The Voice

The high school youth group will begin meeting on Wednesdays, starting October 7th, from 7-8:30 pm in the Arrupe Room of the Parish Center. For more information, contact Randy Novak at [rnovak@stjosephparish.org](mailto:rnovak@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1654.



## Providence Mount St. Vincent

Providence Mount St. Vincent will host their annual Legacy Community Luncheon on Wednesday, October 7th, benefiting residents who have outlived their financial resources. Dr. Ronan Tynan, one of the founding members of The Irish Tenors, Paralympic athlete and physician will speak on overcoming obstacles and will grace the audience with his singing. Tickets are \$50 and the event will be held at the downtown Seattle Westin. For more information, please contact Colleen Cremin at 206-938-6194 or visit [www.providence.org](http://www.providence.org)

## Eucharistic Ministers

During early fall we will be having a series of gatherings for all Eucharistic Ministers in the parish. You should have received an email from the EM captains Leona DeRocco and Mary Sepulveda alerting you to the time and place of your particular event. The schedule is reprinted below for your convenience. If you cannot make the one for your particular mass time, please DO come to one of the other ones. We look forward to gathering with everyone this fall!

**Eucharistic Minister Captains:** Tuesday, September 15th, 6:30 pm, Church Vestibule

**5 PM Eucharistic Ministers:** Tuesday, October 13th, 6:30 pm, Church Vestibule

**9 AM Eucharistic Ministers:** Tuesday, October 20th, 6:30 pm, Church Vestibule

**11 AM Eucharistic Ministers:** Sunday, October 4th, 12 Noon, Arrupe Room

**5:30 PM Eucharistic Ministers:** Sunday, October 4th, 6:30 pm, Arrupe Room

Please RSVP to Leona DeRocco at [fallon\\_derocco@comcast.net](mailto:fallon_derocco@comcast.net) or 206-328-8186

## Communion for the Homebound

Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Communion to the homebound. Please contact Fr. Jack O'Leary 206-329-5981, ext 101 or Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at 206-965-1646 or [steve@stjosephparish.org](mailto:steve@stjosephparish.org) if you or someone you know would like to receive the Eucharist.

## Seniors

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### Celebrate Harriet Barrett's 99th Birthday

Wednesday, September 23rd, 10:45 am – 2 pm (meet at the Parish Center at 10:45 am) Mass at Mt. St. Vincent Chapel at 11:30 am with Fr. Jack O'Leary presiding followed by a no host lunch and birthday cake in the Mt. St. Vincent cafeteria. To sign-up for a ride in the parish bus, please call Renee at the parish center 324-2522, ext. 100 or stop by. Space is limited. If you can drive, please contact Deacon Steve at 965-1646.

### OWLS

The next OWLS potluck supper is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22nd at 6 pm in the social hall. We hope you will join us.

### First Friday Mass and Luncheon

Mark your calendars for the First Friday Healing Mass and Luncheon scheduled for October 2nd, at 11:30. Mass will be in the church with lunch following in the Parish Center.

## Eco-Justice Ministry

### Mission of Prayer

Do you have a desire to share in the mission of Jesus through care for Creation? Interested in greening our parish campus? Eco-Justice Ministry invites you to join us in our mission of prayer, education and actions that serve a sustainable Earth community. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 17th at 7 pm in the Parish Center. Questions? Contact Cathy Murray [clmurray2@comcast.net](mailto:clmurray2@comcast.net) or 206-524-7845, or Steve Wodzanowski at [stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1646.

### Free Advocacy Training

The Beyond the One Night Count (BONC) Fall Advocacy Training will be offered October 10th, 10 am-12 pm at St. James Cathedral in Seattle. We will learn about the City and County budgets this fall and how they will impact housing for those with very low incomes. Nancy Amidei, a nationally known advocacy trainer and professor of social work (UW retired) will make advocacy simple, approachable and fun. Please join us for this engaging training! The St. Joe's Social Justice Commission participated in this training and it is excellent. To register, please visit [www.faihadadvocacy.org](http://www.faihadadvocacy.org)

## JustFaith

JustFaith focuses on social justice issues through the lens of Catholic social teachings and the mission of the Church. It offers an in-depth spiritual journey as well as an opportunity for you to become closer with the St. Joe's community. *Join us for an informational session scheduled for Wednesday, September 16th from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Parish Center. We hope you can join us to learn more about the program. Classes begin September 30th.* For additional information contact Greg Zeman at 206-660-6302 or [gzeman@virtusllp.com](mailto:gzeman@virtusllp.com) or Sara Dittmer at 360-931-3442 or [sara.dittmer@gmail.com](mailto:sara.dittmer@gmail.com)

## Ignatian Spirituality Center

### Spirituality on Tap

SEYA Program (Spiritual Enrichment for Young Adults) will present *Being Green: the underlying spiritual wisdom of the Green Movement*. Come and take a deeper look, an Ignatian perspective, at why we try to "be green". Thursday, September 17th, 7-9 p.m. in the St. Joseph Parish Center. For more information, email [deb@ignatiancenter.org](mailto:deb@ignatiancenter.org) or visit [www.ignatiancenter.org](http://www.ignatiancenter.org)

## Emergency Financial

### Assistance for Parishioners

The St. Joseph Parish Emergency Fund is ready to help parishioners in need. All calls to our dedicated phone line will be completely confidential, as will any assistance we provide. Funds are administered by St. Vincent de Paul. Our confidential number is 206-499-2082.

## God and Golf

What do God and golf, the Lord and the links, the Spirit and the sport have in common? St. Joseph parishioner and author Gary Graf will be available after all masses on October 3rd and 4th to sign his latest book, *And God Said, "Tee It Up!"* You'll learn about golf's great courses, tournaments and players, as well as the many connections the Good Book and great game share.

## Let's Get Together!

This year the St. Joseph Parish & School community plans to have monthly dinners at different restaurants. The first dinner is scheduled for this Tuesday, September 15th, 6 pm at Peter Johnson's restaurant *McGilvra's*, located at 4234 E. Madison in Madison Park. There is no agenda. It is simply social. Please join us! Families are welcome!

### 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-elp11). 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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