

*OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE
November 25, 2012*

**Reflection Next Week:
Rebecca Brown**

Readings for December 2, 2012

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 33:14-16

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 3:12-4:2

GOSPEL: LUKE 21:25-28, 34-36

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5 pm

Sunday - 9 am, 11 am, 5:30 pm

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday - 7 am

Arrupe Room, Parish Center

Reconciliation

Saturday - 3:30-4:15 pm in the Church
or by appointment

Parish Center Hours

Monday-Friday - 8 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday - 9 am - 1 pm

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St. Joseph Holiday Schedule

Friday, December 7

9:00 am (School Mass) &

Saturday, December 8, 10:00 am

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday, December 15, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm,
Parish Prayers & Reconciliation Service

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

Monday, December 24

7:00 am, Daily Mass

4:00 pm, Children's Mass (Doors open at 3:00 pm)

6:00 pm, Vigil Mass

10:00 pm, Lessons & Carols

10:30 pm, Mass in the Night

Sunday, December 25

10:00 am, The Nativity of the Lord

New Year's

Monday, December 31, 6:00 pm

Benediction and Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament, ending at Midnight



Week Five Stewardship Update

453 Pledges

\$975,177.00

Parish Goal: \$1,500,000.00



Hope at the End of the Year

As we undertake our work, therefore, we would emphasize whatever concerns human dignity, whatever contributes to a genuine community of peoples. "Christ's love impels us," for "he who sees his brother in need and closes his heart against him, how does the love of God abide in him?"

-Message to Humanity, issued by the delegates at the beginning of Vatican II

Preparing for a series I hope to offer in the spring, I have been taking the time to re-read the **Documents of Vatican II**, and trying to imagine the spirit of the Council as it gathered in St. Peter's Basilica on that 11th day of October, 1962. Reading the documents, I have tried to imagine the world from which these bishops and patriarchs came: a world still ravaged by the effects of World War II, and yet also in the midst of other wars (both cold and hot) and struggles never before imagined. The Cuban Missile Crisis, which almost coincides with the opening of the Council, highlights the dangerous world of the early '60's, when nuclear annihilation was not just an interesting movie plot, but a real possibility. During the time of the Council, war would break out between India and Pakistan, and a small regional conflict in Southeast Asia would grow in importance and suffering as American advisors became part of the conflict. Meanwhile, in Africa and Latin America, revolution was in the air and freedom fighters were declaring the birth of new nations, or fighting old regimes, often against the backdrop of Marxist ideologies. Yet, not all the news was bad, as the Church, herself, was nearly at the zenith of its power and influence—with a Catholic President in the United States and near-record numbers of priests, seminarians and religious filling the ranks. And if the Church in Europe and Latin America was faced with the specter of irrelevance against the Marxist critique, still many in the center of Church power believed that the old structures could hold, and were dismayed by the call of Pope John XXIII for this Council. These voices, composed of the Roman Curia and its supporters, hoped for a quick Council, one that would simply ratify what preliminary commissions had already drafted. They were to be disappointed in that, as the bishops from around the world—led by a Pope both inspired by the Holy Spirit and confident of God's abiding presence—chose not simply to dust off the Church, but to renew her in light of the world's suffering and in the power of the gospel of Christ.

The bishops who gathered in Rome in 1962 knew the suffering of their people and felt, even at the zenith of the Church's numbers, that Christ was calling the Church to something more: calling her away to leave the barricades built in response to the Reformation, calling her to renew the grace of the Incarnation, calling her to see

the power of the Spirit flowing over all God's people and all God's creation, calling her to become engaged in the great struggles of the age, which the Council identified as peace and social justice. Abandoning the conservative plans of the preliminary committee, the Council declared that the Church was a sacrament of Christ given for the service of the world. In its very first declaration, before any of the documents for which it would be known were drafted, the Council suggested the openness and Incarnational desire of its work: *"Our prayer is that in the midst of this world there may radiate the light of our great hope in Jesus Christ, our only Savior"* (**Message to Humanity**). There is no retrenchment here, no fear of the world or of society, but a powerful commitment to common effort and communal growth—a sense that the Church, made for God, is called to be the hope of the world, not its enemy.

So much has happened in the last fifty years—both in the Church and in civil society—that we can grow cynical at the optimism of the bishops of Vatican II. Vietnam, Watergate, Iraq, terrorism, the intractable wars of the Middle East and the corruption of the democratic movements of Africa, the abuse scandal in the Church and the unwillingness of the hierarchy to humble and reform itself: all these can weary us. And wearied, we can easily forget the grace of Vatican II, and find ourselves heading for the exits or the *"good old days."* Terms like *"social justice"* become cliché, or worse, are seen as code for a partisan political agenda. Many of the same voices that spoke against Vatican II at its inception return in different bodies, as calls to *reassess* or *moderate* the reforms arise. Declaring that Vatican II offered no new vision, but was simply *continuous* with what came before, these voices seek to do what the preparatory commissions of 1960-61 could not do: restrain the Spirit's movement. And, even as many faithful Catholics leave the practice of their faith, throughout the Church, a nostalgic embrace of old ways and closed windows, of silence and submission, of clerical privilege and internal control seeks to go back to a time before the abuse scandal—and so mutes the voice of the Church in the world and covers the light of Christ under the bushel basket of bureaucracy.

But the Spirit of God is not so easily contained, and just as excessive zeal can be followed by inordinate doubt, so too the dark spirit of fear will give way, if we remember the call of this sacred Council. On this feast of Christ the King, let us return to the One who calls us into service, let us return to what Vatican II summons us to be: a light to all the nations, a sacrament of Christ, an intimate union with God and with all humanity, ministers of peace and creators of justice—in other words, the Church.

John S.



Prayer

Baptism for Older Children

If you have a child four years of age and older whom you would like to be baptized into the Catholic Faith, Our first gathering for parents and children will be Thursday December 13th 6:00 pm -7:30 pm in the Parish Center beginning with a potluck supper. The plan is to meet monthly (Dec-April) with family catechesis at home between sessions. In accordance with Archdiocesan policy, the norm is for children seven years of age and older to be fully initiated into the Catholic Faith by receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil Mass. Children younger than seven receive the Sacrament of Baptism only at the Easter Vigil or a designated Sunday Mass during the Easter Season. For more information contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at steve@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

Peace Days for Women, "Called to Wonder: Exploring the Advent Mystery"

Wednesday, December 12, 2012
from 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

at St. Mary-on-the-Lake Peace and Spirituality Center,
1663 Killarney Way, Bellevue.

Free-will offering. Bring a sack lunch, coffee and tea provided. We encourage you to carpool.

To register or for information contact Carmel Little, CSJP at 425-635-3600 or e-mail clittle@csjp-olp.org

Day of Contemplative Prayer for Women and Men

Saturday, December 15, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon at St. Mary-on-the-Lake Chapel, 1663 Killarney Way, Bellevue

If you are coming for the first time to Contemplative Prayer please arrive at 8:30 a.m. for an introduction

Free-will offering. To register or for more information contact Carmel Little, CSJP at 425-635-3600 or e-mail clittle@csjp-olp.org



Sacred Silence

A time for silent prayer and peace

The Sacred Silence prayer group gathers on Monday nights at 7 pm in the Church for an hour of silent prayer. Newcomers always welcome. Open to all types of prayer practice. People are encouraged to use whatever silent prayer practice

works best for them whether it is centering prayer, Ignatian imagination or another prayer. Time is spent both sitting and walking in silence.

For information on Sacred Silence and silent prayer contact Jim Hoover at jhoover3law@qwestoffice.net or 206-286-0313.

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For the quick and complete recovery of Joan O'Neill..For all who are suffering, may they find peace, hope, and comfort...For safe travels for all who are traveling on journeys near and far over the Thanksgiving weekend.



"I urge than, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercessions and Thanksgiving be made for everyone"
~ Ephesians 3:20

If you have petitions you would like included in the prayer tree, including birth announcements, illnesses and deaths, please call the parish office at 206-324-2522 ext 100 or email rleet@stjosephparish.org

COLLECTION: NOVEMBER 18, 2012

TOTAL NEEDED WEEKLY TO MEET BUDGET: \$15,994.00

TOTAL FOR MASSES AND GIFTS MAILED IN: \$ 10,317.50



Liturgy & Music



MUSIC FOR THANKSGIVING

Have you ever taken a moment to ponder over the word "THANKSGIVING?" I mean, really look at it? How apropos that the word "thanks" and "giving" are so closely connected. Isn't that truly how it is in life? As the line from the Prayer of St. Francis goes: "It is in giving that we receive." What better way to say "thank you" than to do so by giving of ourselves. There's another line from one of my favorite pieces of Christmas music, "In the Bleak Midwinter." The text is by the poet Christina Rossetti and the final verse reads: "What can I give him poor as I am? If I were a shepherd I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man I would do my part. Yet what I can I give him... give my heart."

Thanksgiving is always a special liturgy in, part, because, there is so much to be thankful for as Fr. John expressed so eloquently in his bulletin column this week. As a parish musician I am always inviting, cajoling, enticing all of us to give something that all of us have: OUR VOICE. As with our treasure, our time, our skills...we are all uniquely gifted. And whether you sing like an angel or

on Orc, like Christina Aguilera or Tom Waits, it makes no difference. From where I stand it is the cumulative effect of a raggedy band of believers giving what they have in song that inspires. "What I can I give him..."

On Thanksgiving this week we sang a Welsh tune *Ar Hyd Y Nos* commonly known as: "All Through the Night" or, liturgically, "For the Fruits Of This Creation." For centuries the church has borrowed tunes from the culture and changed the words and made them her own...our own. (Remember that *Hark the Herald Angels Sing* was originally written to celebrate the invention of the Gutenberg printing press!) This particular tune from 18th century Wales has been set to many different texts and sung widely in situations as diverse as *The Beggar's Opera*, and *The Adventures of Baron Munchausen* and by artists as diverse as Olivia Newton John and Michael McDonald. The text we sing, giving thanks for the gifts of creation, was written by Fred Pratt Green one of the great hymn writers of the 20th century. There are no fewer than 5 of his texts set to music in our Gather songbook.

Robert McCaffery-Lent
Minister of Music

This Week on the Willis

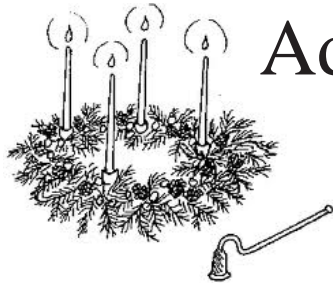


Over the centuries, leading hymn singing has become one of the most important roles of the organ in the Catholic and Protestant churches alike. I often get asked about the practice of hymn playing. For instance, why change the harmony on the last verse? Or, why get louder and softer? The art of hymn playing has its roots in the Protestant Reformation, when Lutheran churches began to sing hymns as a part of their service. This development changed what was expected of an organist. Suddenly the church organist needed to introduce unfamiliar tunes to an entire congregation of people to sing together. This resulted in many compositions on chorale tunes ranging from the simple to the very elaborate and complex.

In the modern church, there are many ways to play hymnody on the organ and generally the style of hymn playing is usually dictated by the liturgy or circumstance where the hymn is to be sung. I tend to keep things pretty straight forward here at St. Joseph. I usually play the entire hymn through for an introduction if it is unfamiliar, but if it is very familiar, I might just give a short introduction. Usually, I adjust the registration on each verse and save the loudest registration for the last verse. By the last verse, usually everyone is comfortable with singing the melody and can sing out robustly for the final stanza. This frees me up to alter the harmony and utilize the very warm and full sounds of our Willis organ.

Next week on the Willis...music by J.S. Bach.
John Stuntebeck, Principal Organist and Pianist

ATTENTION ALL LECTORS! The new lector workbooks are available for you to pick up in the vestibule.



Advent at St. Joseph

ISC Evening of Prayer "Light wishing to be born"

December 4th | 7 – 9 pm | St. Joseph Church

You are invited to slow down during the busy holiday season for a reflective and prayerful evening at the beginning of Advent. Join presenters Pat Twohy, S.J. and Carla Orlando for a beautiful evening of art, music, storytelling, prayer and reflection that will help you enter more deeply into the season of hope for the new birth of Light within and among us. People of all ages, faith traditions and spiritual backgrounds are welcome.

Admission by free will offering. For more information contact Andrea Fontana, Program Coordinator, at andrea@ignatiancenter.org or 206.329.4824.

Men's Advent Gathering

Please join us on Saturday, December 8th from 8:30 – 11:30 am for our Annual Men's Advent Gathering in the Arrupe Room, Parish Center. This will be a time of prayer, reflection and renewal as we reawaken ourselves to the birth of Jesus. Gerry Lamar and Joe Prusa will be the animators. For more information please contact Dn. Steve at (206) 965-1646 or SteveW@stjosephparish.org

Feast of Immaculate Conception

Saturday, December 8th
10 am, St. Joseph Church

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

"On the Road to Bethlehem" Saturday, December 15th, 10 am A TIME OF RECONCILIATION & RENEWAL IN ADVENT

This year, in a move to offer the sacrament of Reconciliation within a larger context of prayer, Fr. John will be offering a morning of reflection and renewal--a miniature retreat in the midst of Advent. On Saturday, 15 December 2012, from 10 am until 1:00 pm, members of the Parish are invited to come and pray in the church around the theme of journeying to Bethlehem with Mary and Joseph. During this time, confessors will be available and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered continually. Each hour, a brief prayer and scriptural reflection will be presented, with points for prayer. Come for 15 minutes, for an hour, or for the whole morning!

Women's Advent Bible Study

The St. Joseph's Women's Ministry invites you to join in our Advent Bible Study. As the Church prepares to celebrate the birth of Jesus, we will take a closer look at the role Mary, his mother, plays in our salvation history. Bring your bible and learn more about our beloved Mother, the Queen of Heaven, and why Catholics venerate her.

Wednesday at 7pm in the Parish Center,
December 5th - 19th.

To sign up, or for more information, please contact Kaz Maras at kjmaras@gmail.com or 206.228.2674.

Come & Pray with us, for Just a Little While

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is an invitation to abide with Jesus, to take a single hour and quiet your heart from all that is rushing past, so that you might know that which lasts forever.

If you have never prayed before the Blessed Sacrament, you will be amazed at the peace and the grace that comes from allowing yourself to sit in the presence of Christ, from opening yourself to his love, given in this very physical and yet spiritual form.

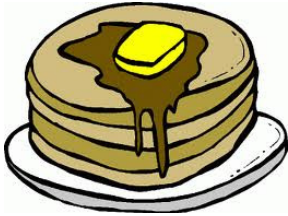
Pray that your own life might be one with God.

Thursday, December 6th, 7:00 pm
St. Joseph Church



Community

Family Mass & Breakfast Sunday, December 9th



Sunday, December 9th, after
the 9:00 am Mass

Parish Pancake Breakfast

Crafts for the Kids

Breakfast will include pancakes, eggs, sausage and
fruit; \$15 per family or \$4 per person

There will be no CFF K through Junior High classes that
day; this is a CFF1 & 2 Event

Seniors On the Go

- **Friday, December 7th** - Healing Mass at 11:30 am
followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.
- **Thursday, December 13th** - Seniors Monthly Potluck,
6 pm in the Social Hall. Call Mary Ott 206-324-7459
or Dolores Dorn 206-322-2259 for details.

Save The Date:

St. Joseph's Marriage Enrichment Weekend
February 1-3, 2013 La Conner Country Inn

Cost \$300 per couple, Partial Scholarships available,
register by December 30th with Deacon Steve 206-965-
1646 or stjosephparish.org

2013 Planning team: Ginger and Warren Pollock, Sam
and Julie Smith, Deborah Justice and Joe Fina, Kathleen
Sullivan and Leo Lyons.

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

The Seattle University Choirs will be performing their annual Christmas Concert on November 30 at 8 pm and
December 2 at 2 pm. Hear the enchanting echoes of four outstanding choirs: Men's Chorale; Women's Chorale;
University Chorale; and Chamber Singers. The Seattle University Choirs offer complementary Christmas concert
tickets to St. Joseph parishioners. For more information, please call 206.296.5372.



Community

Saints and Modern Politics

**Catholic Professionals and Professor James Felak, UW,
on Dec. 7**

Find out what John Paul II, the Saints, and Poland's communist regime have in common

Concerned about the increasing role secularism, government, and political figures are playing in the formation of conscience in areas historically reserved for the Church--women's issues, the definition of marriage, and religious liberty? Join us at the UW Newman Center, on Friday, Dec. 7, at 7am for Mass, breakfast, and our guest speaker. Professor Felak, specializing in the history of East Central Europe and Christianity at the University of Washington, will look at parallels between current day events and pre-communist Poland, and share the secret of how Pope John Paul II used the saints in the fight against communism. Info and registration at <http://www.catholicprofessionalsofseattle.org/events.html>

Calendar

Mon, Nov 26	Sacred Silence, Church, 7:00 PM
Tue, Nov 27	RCIA, Arrupe Room, 7:00 PM Choir Practice, Church, 6:30 PM
Wed, Nov 28	Pathfinders, Social Hall, 6:00 PM The VOICE, Arrupe Room, 7:00 PM
Fri, Nov 30	Eucharist Adoration, Loyola Chapel Parish Center, 7:30 AM

Justice Education Forum: A Teach-In on Economic Justice

We invite you to join Magis for the annual Justice Education Forum: A Teach-In on Economic Justice, now offered in a half-day teach-in format. This year, Mark McDermott, MPA, a longtime social justice advocate and policy strategist whose career has spanned working for social and health services to labor organizations, will serve as our keynote speaker. McDermott will offer an interactive presentation covering a historical overview and political/economic analysis, creating context in which following workshops will take place. This will enable participants to further dialogue with each another, as well as learn from organizations who want to empower alumni and community members to form meaningful responses. Justice Education Forum is open to the public, so we encourage you to bring friends, family members and colleagues along. Please see below for more details.

Sponsor: Magis: Alumni Living the Mission

When: Saturday, December 01, 2012, 9 am - 2 pm

Where: Student Center (LeRoux Conference Room, 160)

Web site: www.seattleu.edu/magis/programs/justice/

Contact: Liz Coz, coze@seattleu.edu, (206) 296-2637

RSVP: RSVP recommended (RSVP by Email)

Access: The public is welcome to attend this event.
This event has not been marked as open to the press.

Stewardship 2013 Pledges Continued

A special thanks to each of you for your charism of our community!

Karen and Curtis Bryan • Thomas and Judith Connor • Michelle DeVange • Marguerite Fergus • William Hood • Daniel Iannuzzi • Vickie Johnson • Mary and Chris Karges • Jennifer Nicol • Blaine O'Kelley • Bridget Perry and Tipton Blish • Fred and Susan Raney • Joseph Straus

If you haven't already pledged, please do so. You can pledge online at our website www.stjosephparish.org or send in a pledge form to the parish center.



Social Ministry

Baby Corner

When we've asked for help in the past, our donors have responded with characteristic generosity, even in a difficult economy; we have been able to depend on their consistent support, and we are most grateful and we never take that support for granted.

Donations are down this year. For more than a year we have been unable to order car seats and portable cribs. Both are critical safety items for babies and toddlers but too expensive for our families to afford. Infants in unsafe sleep environments are at risk of suffocation, a major cause of SUID (sudden, unexpected infant death). These deaths are heartbreaking because they are entirely preventable.

Donations may be made through an easy, secure process on our website www.seattlebabycorner.org, checks may be made out to St. Joseph's Baby Corner and mailed to 528 18th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98122.



Christmas Dinner Party

You are cordially invited to a Christmas Dinner Party fundraiser to support the VOICE delegation to El Salvador next summer. Come enjoy a delicious meal prepared by our youth, a brief presentation on our sister parish in Arcatao and dancing with live music!

Friday, December 7th, 6 pm - 10 pm, Parish Center

To reserve your spot, please visit www.stjosephparish.org, click on the VOICE dinner party button. Cost is \$25.00 per person. Questions? Email Sam Kennedy at skennedy@stjosephparish.org



St. Vincent de Paul

"Sarah" suffers from degenerative kidney disease and must live on a very strict fresh-food diet. Thanks to your contributions to our parish St. Vincent de Paul group, we could help her out.

Despite her poor health, Sarah is cheerful—telling us her doctor (at Harborview) thinks she is a good candidate for a kidney transplant. She is pursuing that now.

Meanwhile, we provided her with two \$50 food vouchers for Grocery Outlet. There she can get most of the fresh foods that her body can digest to maintain proper nutrition. She lives in Capitol Hill Housing and receives just over \$800 a month in disability. Her food stamp allotment is but \$17 a month.

Her name is not really Sarah—but she is not unlike many of the people we visit each week who benefit from your generosity. Thank you for your support.

Chief Seattle Club

Do your holiday shopping and support local businesses and our talented Native Artists at Chief Seattle Club's December Art Walk and Second Annual Native Art Sale on Thursday, December 6, from 2:00 to 8:00 pm, Friday, December 7, from 2:00 to 8:00 pm, and Saturday, December 8, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Roger Fernandes (Lower Elwha S'Klallam), is our featured artist for December. Roger is a storyteller, artist and educator whose work focuses on the culture and beliefs of the Puget Salish tribes of Western Washington State. As a storyteller he works to share the indigenous teachings in stories that remind us of the wisdom of our ancestors to gain personal insight to better understand the world and other people.

We'll have culture sharing with Sacred Water. Off the Rez will be selling their delicious Indian tacos and fry bread.

We'll have raffles, a bake sale, and loads of fun.

If you are a Native artist and are interested in vending, please contact Olive at olive@chiefseattleclub.org or call 206-292-6214 ext 1286.

St. Joseph Parish's Alternative Bazaar

Sunday, December 2nd

10 AM - 2 PM

732 18th Ave E - In the Social Hall



This year St. Joseph's Alternative Bazaar will have beautiful handcrafted items from dozens of countries, and organizations around the world in order to support disadvantaged artisans overseas and in the US. The artisans and vendors with us are Fair Trade Certified, or a non-profit whose sales 100% support the organization.

For More Information Contact:
Allison Nackel-Gaffney
allisonnackel@gmail.com
or Steve Wodzanowski
206-965-1646

Come and support our non-profit outreach partners such as:
L'Arche, Baby Corner, Chief Seattle Club,
Association of Catholic Childhood, Sister Parish in El Salvador
and many more!

On the feast of Christ the King, we give thanks for the way St. Joseph has lived our mission in the last liturgical year. We'd like to take just a moment to highlight some of the many, many ways St. Joseph parishioners give as a community to the care of our neighbors both local and global.

Collections & Special Offerings taken up by St. Joseph in 2012 benefit these important partners:

Jesuit Refugee Service in Syria	\$1,700.00
Chief Seattle Club	\$1,118.73
Mission Sunday Collection	\$ 667.50
Rice Bowl Collection	\$2,322.79
Black & Indian Missions	\$ 453.50
Catholic Relief Services	\$1,272.50
Catholic Community Services	\$1,582.00
Peter's Pence Collection	\$ 501.50
Build Hope Collection	\$ 644.50
St. Mary's Food Bank	\$2,750.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$41,331.00

