SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 12, 2013

**Homily Next Week:** Father John D. Whitney, S.J.

#### Readings for May 19, 2013

FIRST READING: ACTS 2:1-11 SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:8-17 GOSPEL: JOHN 14:15-16, 23B-26

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 www.stjosephparish.org

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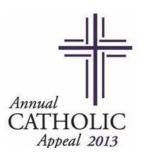
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#### Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Catholic Appeal supports over 60 ministries throughout Western Washington, including the office that supports Deacon Services which assures the continuing Annual development and support of deacons in their CATHOLIC personal lives and pastoral assignments.





St. Joseph Goal \$150,000 **Amount Raised to Date** \$29,961

While assesed at the archdiocese for \$135,000 Father Whitney has committed that all additional funds will be split between St. Joseph Youth Ministry, and the Jesuit Refugee Service work with victims of the Syrian civil war.

#### Bringing Light

Where are you? **Do you know that the heart has a dungeon?**Bring light! Bring light!

-Mary Oliver-

The last time I saw my mother, about a week before she died, we went to dinner at her favorite restaurant. Walking to the corner with her and crossing the street, I could sense the frailty of her arm, and feel the bones beneath her thin, pale skin. Her steps, as well, though still full of that old deliberate quality, were more cautious and smaller than they had been. Yet, for all that was fading away, all that was becoming more and more transparent—like the light of the moon disappearing in the sunrise—her words were still full of concern for her children: Would I speak to my sister, who was struggling with her diabetes? Was my brother's son doing okay at Annapolis? Was I getting enough rest "running around" as Provincial? Unable to free herself from the habit of nearly 60 years, she let burn the last of the oil in her lamp for us, hoping to illumine a way by prayer, by presence, by a mother's love. And if we no longer needed all her strength to pick us up from the pavement when we fell, to push us out the door on our way to school, to direct us towards consideration and politeness, or to slow us down when we were going too fast, still we longed to be harassed by her and worried over by her and loved by her in all the concrete (and occasionally crazy) ways that years of mothering had instilled. She was the light we knew was always there, so that we could have the courage to go into the places of darkness, never afraid that we would be unable to find our way home.

In praying with the gospels, I have come to see examples of the same balancing of light and worry, of trusting and cajoling in the relationship of Mary with her Son. For Mary, who "treasured these things in her heart," was also filled with anxiety when her adolescent son went missing in Jerusalem. She who was "full of grace" was also quite capable of pushing her apparently reluctant son towards public ministry, when she knew he could help the young couple at Cana. And one can only imagine what was in the heart of the Mother of Jesus when she and his relatives came to talk to him-perhaps worried about the company he was keeping and the itinerant nature of his new career—and were told, "My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and act on it" (Luke 8:21). Surely, this was one moment when the predicted sword pierced her heart; yet she continued to follow—at a distance, among the other disciples. She remained a light for him, even as he climbed that awful hill, where she stood, her heart broken with unimaginable sorrow, at the foot of his

cross, watching, as no one else could, the death of her only son. Even when Jesus felt "forsaken" by the One to whom he offered himself, still he knew his Mother was there. And, Mary, ever the mother, remained there, with the friends of Jesus, sitting amid that community with faith when the resurrection came, and being present when the Spirit followed at Pentecost. Always, like a candle, shining for her son, and for all her adoptive daughters and sons, i.e., his followers, as well.

It is a sad reality in this world that many mothers do not or cannot bring the light their children need. For some who are called as mothers, death or sickness, despair or addiction drives them into the shadows, too deep to find the light for themselves or bring it to their daughters or sons. Many such children spend years in the dungeons of their heart, frightened and alone, often despising themselves or feeling that there must be some great sin that drove them to this place.

It is for us, then, who have been blessed with mothers or grandmothers, step-mothers or god-mothers, adoptive mothers or foster mothers, mothers of our hearts or, perhaps, simply the Mother of God, to become the mothers of these forgotten ones. This is our call as Christian people, as followers of the Son who grew up—so like his Mother that he is symbolized in a candle, glowing in the sanctuary on this very day. Let us give thanks for all those who have brought this light to us, and honor them—true mothers, one and all—by bringing that light of love, fearlessly and (sometimes) even a bit annoyingly, into this dark and frightened world; a world that needs, more than it can know a mother's love.





St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For friends and family who are travelling during May . . . For the well being and comfort of Chris, Dace, Dan, David, Mary and Susan . . . For Bob facing major surgery...For clarity about decisions to be made . . . God's bless-



ings upon the women who have made a positive difference in our lives.

"The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord makes his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you.
The Lord turn his face towards you and give you
peace."

~Numbers 6:24-26

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

... before you go...

## A Blessing for High School Graduates

On Sunday, 2 June, at the 11:00 am Mass all those graduating from any local high school this year, are invited to receive a special blessing from the Parish. We at St. Joseph want to support you and, especially if you are going away, to remind you that you always have a home at this altar, a community in this Parish, a welcome in this assembly. So, all you graduates, come to the 11:00 am mass on 2 June, and if you are going off to college or some other program, wear a shirt or sweatshirt that shows your destination. Be blessed! And know you bless us, always!

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#### 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.

## Book of Acts Scripture Study Continues

Back by popular demand is Father Whitney's bible study on the Acts of the Apostles for one more night, come prayerfully study this amazing book of our birth as the Church. Dive into themes of a Church at prayer, inspired by the Spirit and given to the nations.

Tuesday, May 21st, 7:00 pm, Arrupe Room in the Parish Center.

COLLECTION: MAY 5, 2013

TOTAL NEEDED WEEKLY TO MEET BUDGET: \$15,994.00 TOTAL FOR MASSES AND GIFTS MAILED IN: \$12,874.00



#### St Joseph "Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam" Concert Series

As we wind down the Easter season we are also approaching the last couple of concerts in our second annual "Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam" Concert Series. Last weekend Seattle University filled the church with the music of their choirs for two concerts. On Saturday of Pentecost weekend (May 18), our Choir In Residence, Choral Arts, will present their final concert of the year: Life Stories: The Choral Music of Eric Barnum. This is an extraordinary concert devoted to the luminous harmonies and deep spirituality of one of America's foremost choral composers, Eric Barnum. This program features many of Barnum's most alluring works and includes the Seattle premiere of "Human Heart", performed as a combined finale with six exceptional student choirs from area high schools. During the evening, Choral Arts will also premiere "Time", its annual Finding Your Voice poetry contest commission featuring the poem of a Seattle 9th grader and set by Eric Barnum.

One of the reasons that we chose to enter into this relationship with Choral Arts is their focus on education and their commitment to helping young people experience the myriad benefits of participating in chorus. This is from a newsletter highlighting the upcoming festival at St. Joe's:

Every day we see firsthand the benefits of children participating in chorus, either through our formal programs, our ensemble members who teach and/or tutor students, and as parents who have children participating in cho-

"THE SINGING THING"
WEEKLY REFLECTIONS ON THE MUSIC WE
USE AT ST JOSEPH'S
~ROBERT McCaffery-Lent

rus. We see it in their increased self-confidence, their artistic expression, and the joy on their faces as they interact with each other and make music together.

While these observations are supported by recent research examining the numerous civic, academic, and social benefits resulting from participation in a chorus, we are faced with an alarming trend suggesting that these opportunities are becoming less and less available for young people. This is an especially critical time as many students are becoming more serious about the art and making choices about areas of music-making to pursue.

The stated mission of St. Joseph Parish is "Ignited by the Eucharist to love and serve." And the stated mission of St. Joseph School is "to create a faith-centered community that educates and inspires students to reach their God-given potential." My hope is that, through this collaboration between Choral Arts, St. Joseph Parish and School next weekend, many young people from our surrounding community will experience St. Joseph as a place of welcome and fellowship, of nourishment and education, and of beauty and inspiration. I hope that many of us will have a bite to eat after 5 pm mass and come back, or just venture out on Saturday night and support these young people and experience some of the beauty that Choral Arts has to offer.

#### Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam Concert Series

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Join Choral Arts after mass on Saturday, May 18th.
7:30 pm - pre-concert conversation with Eric Barnum and Artistic Director Robert Bode
8:00 pm - performance

The suggested donation for this concert is \$18 for seniors and \$23 general. Choral Arts has generously provided complimentary passes available to seniors. Complimentary passes can be found at the Parish Center during the week prior to the concert. Also, students of all ages attend Choral Arts concert free of charge. For more information, visit www.choral-arts.org





## ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

## "CAN OUR FAITH BE REAL?"

From the Depths of personal doubt to Hope.. Belief.. Confidence..

#### May 17-19 2013

(Friday evening through Sunday morning)
At Beautiful Camp Huston, Goldbar Wa.
http://www.huston.org/conferencecenter.html

RETREAT ANIMATORS: Dick Ellis, Jim Hoover, Stuart Rowe, Rob Carroll, Terrence Menage, Dan Quinn-Shea and Fr. Jack O'Leary SJ

Retreat begins Friday evening at 7:00pm and ends 11am on Sunday

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Do you need a ride? YES \_\_ NO \_\_\_\_



#### St Joseph MOM'S Group

#### "That's not what I said!"

How to Communicate Love in Our Families,
When Communication is Not Easy
Wednesday Mornings; May 15th and 22nd
9:30-11 am, coffee & check-in begins at 9 am
St. Joseph Parish Center - Main Floor
Childcare available (advanced notice required)
Cost: \$25 or \$30 including childcare

Please join us as we explore our calling to share the love we receive from God with others. It is easier said than done in the midst of challenges like busy schedules, willful children, teenage drama, and financial or marital struggles. In this workshop, we will learn how to:

- Communicate effectively and efficiently in "love languages" easily understood by others.
- Apply practical techniques for overcoming common communication barriers.
- Serve as better messengers of God's love for the world

Facilitator, Carla Roskam Loucks, is the Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation at Our Lady of the Lake parish in north Seattle. She holds a degree in Theology and has worked in parish ministry for over 20 years. Her experience of 4 children and 23 years of marriage enables her to engage participants with compassion, honesty, and insight. All are welcome and scholarships are available.

To reserve your place, please contact Lori Schwebel at laschwebel@aol.com or 206.948.7804

## The VOICE welcomes all for a Pancake Brunch Fundraiser!

Date and Time: Sunday, May 19th after 9 am Mass Location: St. Joseph's Church Social Hall What: A Fundraiser for the Youth Delegation to El Salvador

Cost: \$5 per person (children under 3 eat free)

#### Seniors On The Go

**Tuesday, May 14th -**Monthly Planning Meeting,11:30 am. Brown Bag lunch followed by movie *Life Of Pi* at 1:00 pm. Bring a snack to share!

**Thursday, May 16th -** Monthly OWL's Potluck, 6 pm, Social Hall. Call Mary Ott 206-324-7459 or Dolores Dorn 206-322-2259 for details. (*Note Date Change*)

**Tuesday, May 21st** - Senior Outing, Lunch on Bainbridge Island followed by Tour of Bloedel Gardens, Meet at St. Joe's 10:30 am return around 5 pm. Cost: \$9.00 for tour plus lunch. To sign-up contact Renee at 324-2522

#### Spirituality On Tap

Bowling Party: The Spirituality of Strikes and Gutters Thursday May 23rd, 7-9 pm The Garage 1130 Broadway, Seattle, 98122

To celebrate another successful programming year of Spirituality on Tap, please join us for a night of fun, socializing, and prayerfulness as we celebrate the community that we have built together over the past year. This event is for young adults ages 21-35.

For more info, email matt@ignatiancenter.org or visit ignatiancenter.org

## The 4th Annual Good Old Fashioned Lemonade Stand & Tomato Plant Sale at Fred Lind Manor

On Sunday, May 19th from 11 am – 3 pm, you are invited to experience the charm of the good ol' days — stop by the classic lemonade stand and tomato plant sale just outside Fred Lind Manor, on the corner of 17th and Howell. Fred Lind Manor and Jones Creek Farms are teaming up to offer our neighbors some old-fashioned hospitality. Sip on a complimentary glass of strawberry lemonade while you pick out the perfect tomato start from a local selection of organically grown, heirloom tomato plants. Jones Creek Farms of Skagit Valley is renowned for cultivating healthy and sturdy tomato starts that do well in the Pacific Northwest climate. Fred Lind Manor is a non-profit retirement community that has been serving Capitol Hill for 65 years. 1802 17th Avenue, Seattle. 206.774.5387. www.fredlindmanor.com

### St. Vincent de Paul "Stuff the Truck" at St Joseph June 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013



#### **Clean Your Closets and Help the Poor!**

We want to make donating to St. Vincent de Paul as convenient as possible. Please help us with your winter closet cleaning! If you have gently used items you no longer need, bring them to church and help us Stuff the Truck! Please help us help others. Thrift stores support our mission.

Save the date: June 8-9, 2013

St. Vincent de Paul Donation Truck at St Joseph Parking Lot Saturday, June 8, 2013 4:30pm to 6:30pm Sunday, June 9, 2013 8:30am to 1:30pm

#### **Items We Really Need!**

Bedding, clothing, kitchen items, lamps, books, pictures, household goods, and sports gear. Accepted items are eligible for tax deduction. (info go to www.irs.gov)

#### Items We Can't Accept!

Anything hazardous or poisonous, large appliances, car parts, hot water tanks, toilets, carpets, car batteries, paint, and air conditioners.

#### We thank you for your generous financial support!



We can also pick up large items throughout the year. Call St. Vincent de Paul at 206-767-3835.



#### Magis Young Alumni Retreat

Friday, May 17, 2013 to Sunday, May 19, 2013 Camp Burton (Vashon Island, WA)

Are you a graduate of a Jesuit university or program, in your 20's or 30's, and looking for a weekend to get away for some restorative time with new friends? The Magis Young Alumni Retreat is a weekend retreat for those seeking time to reflect while grounding them in a sense of faith. This Ignatian-style retreat includes facilitation by retreat directors, creative exercises, small-group sharing, and plenty of free time. Cost for this retreat is \$125, which includes room and board for the weekend. Some scholarships are available. For information, or to RSVP, email magis-rsvp@seattleu.edu



# Summer Delegation To Visit Our Sister Parish In El Salvador

We have a few spots open for anyone interested in joining our upcoming trip to visit our sister parish of San Bartolome in Arcatao, El Salvador. The dates are July 17-27th. Cost is approximately \$1200 including airfare. We especially need anyone proficient in speaking Spanish. For more information, contact Deacon Steve at 965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

#### South Seattle Deanery Presents...

Immigration Movie and Information Night

In South Seattle, we are neighbors to many immigrant communities. On Thursday, May 23rd at 6:30pm, Our Lady of Guadalupe will be hosting an Immigration Movie and Information Night, 7000 35th Ave SW, Seattle 98126. The night will include a short documentary film on immigration, a personal immigration story from OLG parishioner Jake Saldaña, information on the US Conference of Catholic Bishops' Justice for Immigrants campaign, and ways you can take action. Patty Repikoff, Director of Eastside Hispanic Ministry, will also join us. For more information, contact Jennifer Ibach at 206-935-0358 x. 120 or jibach@olgseattle.org.

#### Catholic Cemeteries

A permanent place for remembrance and prayer in a sacred and inspirational environment. For more information, call (206) 366-8834 and speak to a caring & qualified counselor, or email accparish@MyCatholic-Cemetery.org

#### What is the Importance of a Catholic Cemetery?

Catholic cemeteries are sanctuaries that house the temple of the body with the promise of everlasting life. These sacred places provide a peaceful and religious setting that is conducive to prayer, reflection and remembrance. The final expression of our faith as Catholics is sacred burial in a Catholic cemetery. It is our opportunity to rest among fellow believers, awaiting the Resurrection to life everlasting.

#### **Individualized Memorialization Options**

We meet the needs of our community by providing distinctive options for burial of the cremated remains as well as the full body. We offer indoor, outdoor, above ground, and below ground options, to meet your individual needs.

#### **Remembrance Events**

We serve the living by creating beautiful and sacred places honoring your loved ones. We offer memorial Masses for those in our community who have passed on to new life. Additionally, throughout the year, we hold a number of events including our All Souls Day and Memorial Day celebrations to honor our faithful departed.

#### **Easy & Convenient Locations**

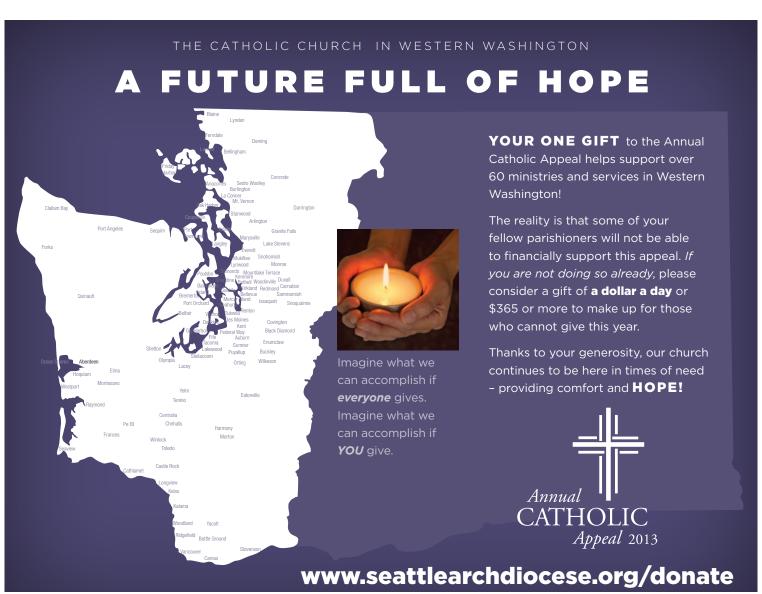
With four cemetery locations serving the Puget Sound area, we can accommodate you and your family's needs and help fulfill your wishes.

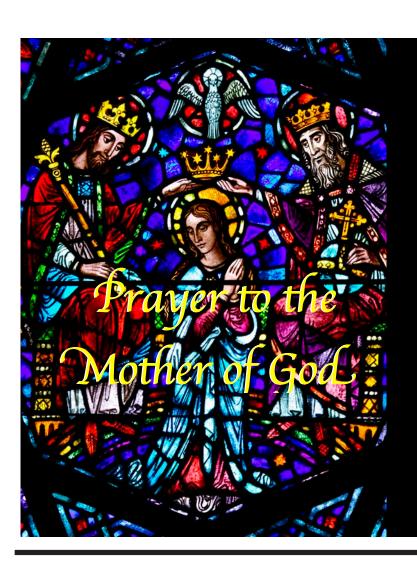
Calendar Mon, May 13	Sacred Silence, Church, 7:00 PM
Wed, May 15	Pathfinders, Mother Teresa, 6:00 PM The VOICE, Arrupe Room, 7:00 PM
Fri, May 17	Eucharist Adoration, Loyola Chapel, Parish Center, 7:30 AM

#### ACA 2013 Pledges

#### A special thanks for your support of the larger Catholic Church!

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In opening her heart to 'Yes!'
Mary, a daughter of God,
became the Mother of God,
bearer of the Most High into the world.

May blessings come to all who follow the way of Mary: mothers & grandmothers; step-mothers & god-mothers; adoptive mothers & mothers of the heart.

May each find joy & grace in her calling: giving life & to sustaining it, treasuring the world in her heart, & suckling redemption at her breast.

May every mother become as Mary is: Bringer of Grace, Seat of Wisdom, Temple of Christ, Source of Love & Mercy.

And may their sons & daughters rise to praise them, crowning them with love, forever & ever. Amen.