

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
June 23, 2013

Homily Next Week:
Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

Readings for June 30, 2013

FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 19:16B, 19-21

SECOND READING: GALATIANS 5:13-18

GOSPEL: LUKE 9:51-62

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-Thursday - 8 am - 4:30 pm

Friday - 8 am - 3:00 pm

Saturday - 9 am - 1 pm

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Why Am I In the Parade?

"You know that it is unlawful for a Jewish man to associate with, or visit, a Gentile, but God has shown me that I should not call any person profane or unclean."

-Acts of the Apostles, 10:28-

When he enters the home of the Roman centurion, Cornelius, St. Peter has no clear idea what God is asking of him. Certainly, he is aware of the dream he had, in which God seemed to remove the dietary restrictions associated with the Jewish Law; but what does Cornelius and his household have to do with this dream? Only gradually does the Spirit reveal to him—as leader of the Church—that God has already changed the world and that Peter is now being called to give witness to God's action by welcoming the Gentiles, *as they are*, into the fullness of communion in the Church. Not called to create this communion (indeed, before he can baptize Cornelius or his household, God sends the Holy Spirit upon them, making the baptism a *response* to not a *source* of God's grace), Peter's role is one of witness to the widening circle of love whose true origin is the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, and whose sign is the power of the Holy Spirit. The head of the apostles is called to testify that God's grace is greater than the members of the Church can hope or imagine, and that their understanding of the Church must continue to develop as the mystery of God's redemptive love continues to be revealed in all of nature and in every culture. What surprises Peter, what will become a starting point for Paul, and what continues to challenge the Church even today is how vast the mercy of God is, a mercy that denies the notion that anything which is human can be profane; a mercy that encompasses every human heart, every aspect of human nature.

The notion that all of nature is redeemed by the Incarnation of God in Christ is the source of the evangelical mission of the Church and the core of the Christian sense of Natural Law. If the Spirit of God has made all things holy—the whole natural order—than all people are called to salvation, *by virtue of their nature*; and it is the work of the Church to notify all people of the inheritance in which we all share. In other words, as Christians we are both the heirs of God's grace and the executors of God's will; i.e., we are chosen in love and called by love to tell others that they, too, are chosen and loved, not because they can become like us but because they already are like God. Even though, through the gospel, we preach repentance, we do not preach the renunciation of nature but the embrace and affirmation of each person's truest self: our nature is God's grace in us, and sin is its denial. Or, as St. Irenaeus put it, "*The glory of God is the human person fully alive, and the life of the human person is the vision of God.*"

On June 30, Seattle will host a Pride Parade as an affirmation of the value and rights of homosexual women and men. Like many such parades around the United States and the world, the Seattle Pride Parade arose as a means by which members of the community—both gay and straight—could signal their unwillingness to accept the subjugation and oppression of homosexual persons. After centuries in which homosexuality was viewed as a moral

failure and homosexuals faced arrest, imprisonment, and even death (e.g., the offensive term, “faggot,” is rooted in the historical phenomenon where homosexuals were burned like piles of wood, in punishment for their way of being), such parades have become a means by which the dignity of homosexuals can be asserted.

Last year, for the first time, members of the St. Joseph community marched in the Pride Parade to indicate our solidarity with and respect for our homosexual sisters and brothers. Like Peter entering the house of Cornelius, it was a moment that would be considered unlawful and scandalous to those who see members of this community as profane or unclean; yet, for me, and I believe for others who chose to be present in this march, it was a moment of grace, when we could witness the power of the Holy Spirit moving in this community, so often alienated from the Church of Christ.

Was there sin at the Pride Parade, as some who object to marching say? Certainly, there was. I have yet to enter a street where sin is not present—not even when I walk by myself. Yet, if sin abounds, grace overflows all the more (*Romans 5:20*). People cheered to see the banner of St. Joseph Parish and came forward, sometimes with tears in their eyes, speaking of their longing to feel welcomed again in the Church, in the Catholic faith of their childhood and of their heart. Some, eventually, became part of the St. Joseph community, and have found, at last, the sense of Church they sought—gathering around the altar not only with people who share their nature or character, but with people of all types and persuasions. All of us sinners, all of us saved by the same grace planted in our nature and redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ.

This year, I am going to the Pride Parade again, and I have supported St. Joseph’s presence in it, as well. I have done so not out of opposition to anyone; but, rather, in support of the sisters and brothers of our community

who seek to live faithfully in the way that God has made them and the Spirit has called them. I am going to support the mothers and fathers, the sisters and brothers, the friends and companions of our gay and lesbian parishioners, who have pride in their daughters and sons and who long to have them feel loved and welcomed at the table of Christ and in the body of the Church. I am going to evangelize, to bear witness, by my presence and, if needed, by my words, that the Catholic Church, founded by Christ, is not a place of hatred and rejection; but a communion of loved sinners called in humility to grow and learn through the grace of the Holy Spirit. I am going to the parade because I want to enter the house of Cornelius, where I have already seen the signs of the Spirit; because I want those in whose very nature is God’s blessing, to know that Christ longs for them with mercy and with love, asking them not to hide or reject their natural identity, but to see in that identity a way home to God.

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St. Joseph Parish in the Pride Parade

We want to invite members of the Parish Community to come out and show your spirit & support of our LGBT sisters & brothers. The pride parade is Sunday, June 30th! **The parade organizers have not notified us yet of our place in the parade, so location and time will be posted on our website as soon as the information becomes available! Please check www.stjosephparish.org for details.**

Let’s have a big turn-out and be a blessing for our city!

There will also be a gathering after the 5:30 Mass on Sunday, June 23rd, in the Parish Center, for those who plan on attending the parade.

Annual Catholic Appeal

We have received our Parish Assessment by the archdiocese, now all monies contributed to the the ACA will be split between our youth programs and the Jesuit Refugee Service work with victims of the Syrian civil war.



**St. Joseph Goal
Amount Raised to Date**

**\$150,000
\$138,690**



Prayer

Christ Alive! is an outdoor mass for Catholic Young Adults taking place on June 23rd at 1pm at Magnuson Park

Christ Our Hope Catholic church is sponsoring this outdoor mass followed by fellowship. We have invited several Catholic organizations who can offer resources, support and fellowship opportunities to Catholics in this age range before and after mass so you can put your faith into action!

This mass will be the beginning of a movement to light the fire of faith in Catholic Young Adults across western Washington and give them a chance to connect with each other to experience Christ Alive! Visit our website www.christaliveseattle.com for more information and opportunities for carpools and volunteering. Please spread the word!

We'll be accepting donations of canned goods for St. Vincent de Paul

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Hope who has had surgery for a brain aneurysm . . . For the intentions of Chavely, Annette, Reilly, Chris, Craig, Betty, Helen, Daniel et al . . . For wisdom to make a decision . . . For those who are studying during the summer . . . For our armed forces.

Prayer Tree



***"God acts within every moment
And creates the world with each breath . . .
Mightier than the crash of a thunderstorm,
Mightier than the roar of the sea,
Is God's voice silently speaking
In the depths of the listening heart."***

R.I.P.

For Helen Murphy, mother of Joan Weis, who entered Eternal Life this past week.

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

For Those Who Cannot Eat Gluten, An Invitation to Eucharist

If you have celiac disease or a severe gluten allergy, you may receive the Eucharist in a gluten-free form from the Presider, who will have the consecrated host in a pyx. Please tell him that you need a gluten-free host, and he will allow you to remove it from the pyx in a safe manner. Remember: this pyx will only be with the Presider, so go to him.

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@questoffice.net or 206-286-0313.



COLLECTION: JUNE 16, 2013

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

TOTAL FOR MASSES AND GIFTS MAILED IN: \$11,406.50



Community

Agape Youth Service Project

Fill a Backpack!

To help our youth in their service mission for migrant farm communities, please consider making a donation to purchase school supplies. For only \$15 we can fully supply a backpack and all the needed school supplies for one child.

There are 2 ways to make your donation:

1. Visit our website www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Agape/backpack" box.
2. Label "Agape" in the memo line of your check and drop it in the collection basket or mail to the parish office.

**Questions? Call or email
Erin Tobin at 206-324-2522 or
cff@stjosephparish.org**



Sister Parish Meeting

SUNDAY JUNE 30th
4:00 pm – 5:15 pm
Parish Center

All are welcome to come and get involved with our 25 year relationship with the parish of San Bartolome in Arcatao El Salvador. We are currently helping with final plans for our Summer youth delegation as well as making preparations for a delegation coming to St. Joe's from El Salvador hopefully this Fall. Current projects include scholarships and establishing a relationships between our schools. For more information contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

A Pilgrimage of the Heart: Summer Ignatian Retreat

2 pm Friday, July 26 – 2 pm Sunday, July 28, 2013

Palisades Retreat Center, Federal Way

Take the time this summer to rest, renew your soul, and soak in silence on the shores of Puget Sound with this rich and meaningful 3-day Summer Ignatian Retreat at the beautiful Palisades Retreat Center in Federal Way. This silent retreat will offer stirring and relevant presentations based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, followed by abundant time for silent reflection and prayer, opportunities for individual spiritual direction, evening prayer, and sharing in the Eucharist. People of all ages, faith traditions and spiritual backgrounds are welcome, especially those with an openness to deepening one's experience of prayer in the Ignatian tradition. Cost is \$295 (includes lodging and meals) or \$195 commuter fee (includes meals only). Some partial work scholarships available. For more info, contact Andrea Fontana, Program Coordinator, at andrea@ignatiancenter.org or (206) 329-4824 ext. 3.



Cabrini Ministry Training Program

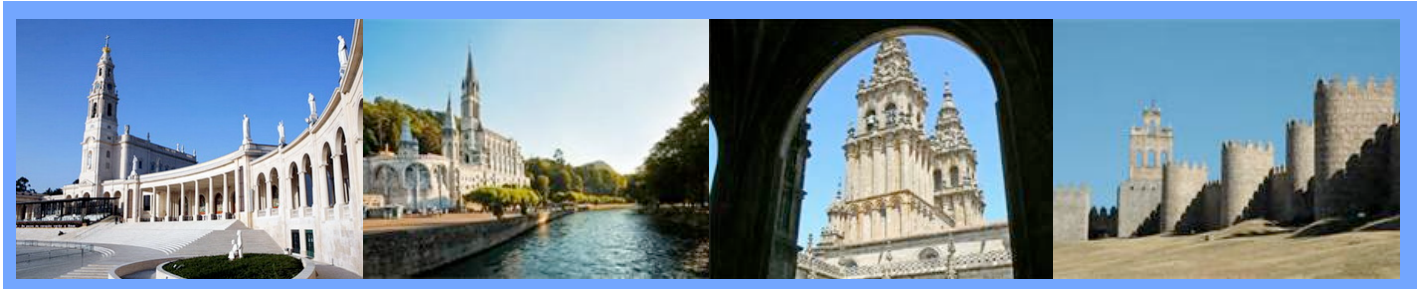
Cabrini Ministry Training (CMT) invites you to consider its program of lay ministry training and outreach. This is a unique opportunity to learn pastoral care skills and enjoy continued support in a faith-filled community while providing lay ministry in or near your parish. The annual 5 month training program begins in October 2013 and we are seeking applicants now (there is a 10% tuition discount for completed applications received by July 15th!). If you feel that God is calling you to a new ministry and you want to explore that call, please direct any inquiries to CMT Training Coordinator Lisa Dennison at 206-234-3614. Please visit our website at www.cabriniministry.org!

ACA 2013 Pledges Continued

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

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If you haven't seen your name listed yet in the bulletin and you have made your pledge, please call the parish office to make sure we have received it! 206-324-2522.



Marian Shrines of Europe

Join fellow St. Joseph parishioners on this Spiritual Journey visiting the Marian Shrines and Holy Places of Portugal, Spain and France

June 11 - June 24, 2014 (13 nights/14 days)

\$2784 per person - double occupancy, land only

Tour Overview - Explore Portugal and Spain - as well as Lourdes, France - on this wonderful vacation with a focus on shrines to the Virgin Mary. Begin your tour in Lisbon with guided sightseeing of the city and then a full day guided excursion to Sintra/Quelez in the outskirts of Lisbon. Travel north to Fatima and attend the evening Rosary and candlelight procession at the Our Lady of Fatima Shrine. Continue on into Spain to Santiago de Compostela with a stop in Coimbra, home of the famous Portuguese pottery. Travel along the Basque coast to arrive in Lourdes, one of the world's most famous pilgrimage sites. Cross the Pyrenees to Saragossa, where guided sightseeing features the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pillar. Your tour ends with three nights in Madrid, with guided sightseeing

to the Prado Museum and excursions to two unique and beautiful towns of spiritual and historical importance - Avila and Segovia. A marvelous way to end this fascinating and spiritually fulfilling tour exploring the Marian Shrines and Holy Places of Spain, Portugal and France.

For complete details and booking information for this unique tour, parishioners Hilda and Walt Kicinski will be available in the Arrupe Room after all Masses June 22-23, 2013.

Or, contact them at:

206-501-4468/888-535-0550

hilda@vikingcat.com walt@vikingcat.com



Summertime and the Praying is Easy...

With the coming of summer, many things change for the St. Joseph Parish community: People go away, visitors come, the days are long and the nights are brief. This year in response to your input, St. Joseph Church will change it's schedule to 3 Masses per weekend.

Beginning on Sunday July 7th, to Sunday, September 1st the weekend schedule of Masses for St. Joseph will be changed!

Saturday Vigil Mass 5 PM

Sunday Morning Mass 9:30 AM

Sunday Evening Mass 5:30 PM
