

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 11, 2013

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

Readings for August 18, 2013

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 38:4-6, 8-10

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 12:1-4

GOSPEL: LUKE 12:49-53

Summer Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5 pm

Sunday - 9:30 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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The Journey of Ignatius

Part IV - Rome: A Foundation for the Greater Glory of God

To come to the point: despite my unworthiness, I have managed, with God's grace, to lay a solid foundation for this Society of Jesus, which is the title we have given it and which the Pope has approved; and so I am rightly bound to urge you, and urge you strongly, to build and construct upon this foundation, so that you will have no less merit in the buildings than I in the foundation—and all by the hand of God our Lord.

-Ignatius Loyola, 1539-

The finger of God is here.

-Pope Paul III,
upon reading the Formula of the
Institute-



With the exception, perhaps, of his contemporary, Teresa of Avila, few saints have been as noted for their organizational shrewdness as Ignatius of Loyola. For nineteen years, from his arrival in Rome to his death in that city, Ignatius worked to establish the Society of

Jesus: countering or converting its critics, writing its *Constitutions*, and sending its members throughout the world at the service of the Church. Yet, Ignatius never becomes merely an administrator or bureaucrat, but remains grounded in the moments of revelation and communion that give rise to the spirituality of the Society. Thus, as during his days in Manresa, he loved to look out at the stars, and would climb to the roof of the Jesuit community in Rome and, in a sky not yet polluted by electric lights, gaze, with tears in his eyes, at the greatness of God's creation. Likewise, propelled by the spirit of La Storta, the newly named General of the Society was willing to sell some of the few valuables of the Jesuits to establish the House of St. Martha, a home for poor women at risk of becoming prostitutes. Likewise, even as he spends his days writing letters to popes and monarchs, he joins other Jesuits, going throughout Rome to gather food, fuel, and clothing for the poor. Indeed, during one particularly cold winter, Ignatius goes so far as to open up all Jesuit houses to the homeless, to keep them from freezing to death on the streets. In these ways, he manifests a spirituality in-touch with the world and generous in service, while at the same time creating an institutional foundation flexible and strong enough to persevere, almost unchanged, for the next several hundred years. Thus, Ignatius becomes beloved of many of the common people of Rome and of his Companions, even while mesmerizing (and at times outwitting) many of those in positions of power.

Though organizational skill is rarely considered an element of spirituality, in Rome Ignatius seeks to put the openness for diversity—which emerges at Manresa—and the dedication for service—which comes from La Storta—into a firm but adaptable structure by which the *Magis*, i.e., "*the more*," might be most effectively ac-

complished. At the root of this effort is the insight that good deeds, though virtuous in themselves, remain only particular until they become part of a larger structure, through which they can be magnified and strengthened. Through the establishment and care of well-ordered institutions, the good of each member of a community can become the good of the whole community, and the strength of the body can compensate for any personal weaknesses in an individual. Thus, in the *"union of hearts and minds,"* (as Ignatius calls it in the *Constitutions*) greater good can be done and the good that is done can be maintained, even during times of weakness and spiritual drought.

While today, in the shadow of various genocides and of the *"banality of evil,"* we are more conscious than ever of social sin—i.e., of the ways in which structures can undermine good wishes and even good will—Ignatius, though lacking modern theological language, understood well the power, for good or ill, of institutions. For him and his Companions, becoming united to one another, through common cause and the power of grace, enabled the individual to be sustained in the face of evil and despair. By making the good that we do a part of a self-reflective, discerning institution, we enable our labor to bear lasting fruit—and we strengthen ourselves against other, less benign, institutions. In testimony to this, on 15 April 1539, Ignatius and his Companions gathered in the Church of St. Paul Outside the Walls, for a Mass presided over by Peter Favre—the first priest among them and still their spiritual father—and, in the presence of the Eucharist, together signed a document professing their desire to become the Society of Jesus. This moment of commitment in Rome is crucial, and without it we could not speak meaningfully of a *"Jesuit"* spirituality at all, since there would have been no Society of Jesus, but only ten lone pilgrims, whose lives and works would likely long ago have been forgotten.

To any institution founded upon or operating as part of the Jesuit tradition, Ignatius' Roman experience offers crucial lessons, not the least of which is that usefulness of an institution—college or university, parish or spirituality center, retreat program or secondary school—is fully in keeping with the Jesuit spirit (as Ignatius himself notes repeatedly in his letters). Rather than contrasting the institutional with the spiritual, Ignatius affirms that we need to institutionalize in order to maximize the good we do. To use the language of the modern Society of Jesus, since *"a faith that does justice"* involves not just personal transformation but the transformation of structures, goodness must be structural, as well; incarnated in living institutions which can continue when those who began them are gone.

Yet, having said this, one must also note that, for Ignatius and the first Companions, the Institute *incarnates* the spirit of Manresa and La Storta, but it does not replace that spirit. Institutions that claim the name of *"Jesuit,"* must be

alive with the spirit; i.e., they must magnify the good of the individuals involved, but must also allow for ongoing discernment by those individuals and the whole community. While institutions can offer the stability and power of tradition—a *"foundation,"* as Ignatius says, upon which to build—they can become prisons if they are not adaptive to the lived experience of those involved in them. Because God is alive, discernment cannot be encased in the vault of any one period. For this reason, Ignatius refuses to have the *Constitutions* bind by the power of sin, insisting, instead, that the law of love and the grace of the Spirit should always hold ultimate authority.

One final note to keep in mind about the Roman experience of Ignatius: what he seeks is never simply the profit or benefit of the Institution itself, i.e., not merely the fame or prestige of the Society of Jesus. Indeed, most of the institutions he establishes—e.g., the House of Martha, the House of Catechumens, etc.—are quickly passed to lay confraternities, better suited to do the work. While Jesuits might be uniquely capable of beginning some apostolate because of Jesuit availability and resources, it is always understood that such ministries are held in trust for the Lord and for those who have need of them. In the view of Ignatius, the end of any institution is always the greater good of those people whom Christ loves, and who have need of a particular institution. Thus, the corporate body should always be governed and controlled towards a human end, with the well-being of particular women and men in mind.

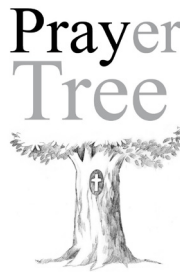
In the early days of the Society of Jesus, whenever Jesuits would speak of the body of the Society they would use the personal pronoun, *"we"*—a sign that the Society was always and ultimately the communion of those within it. Today, at St. Joseph, we must ground ourselves in this same insight. As we begin to speak of our Parish as *"The Jesuit Parish in Seattle,"* we need both to acknowledge its institutional identity, by which each of us is strengthened and served, and to claim our own role in the living of that identity. We must look to ourselves and to the larger body of the Parish, asking if the spirit that fills us is in the tradition of Ignatius and his Companions: *Do we have the spirit of Manresa, which sees the value of God in all persons and all things? Do we live the mission of La Storta, which invites each person to service of the common good and sees each discipline or enterprise as part of a liberating whole? And do we exercise the grace of Rome, which seeks to give institutional support to the good we do and so magnify its effects?* Insofar as we live these graces—live, as it were, as pilgrims on the road of Ignatius—we can be a Jesuit Parish, not just because we have Jesuits here (though, please God, that will last for a long time), but because each of us, every woman and man, possesses a share of the heritage our founder has passed down to us. . . *"for the greater glory of God."*

John



Prayer

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For our friends and family who are on vacation, keep them safe . . . For the intentions of Betty, Cregan, Scott, Reilly, Chris and Carol . . . For engaged couples who are preparing for a lifetime journey . . . For insight in increasing business sales. . . . Looking for a job, direct my pathways . . . For those who are in assisted living . . . For those who are housebound, may they receive a call or a letter or a visit to say I am thinking of you . . . For teachers who are preparing their class curriculum for their new students . . . For Pope Francis and his goals in guiding the flock

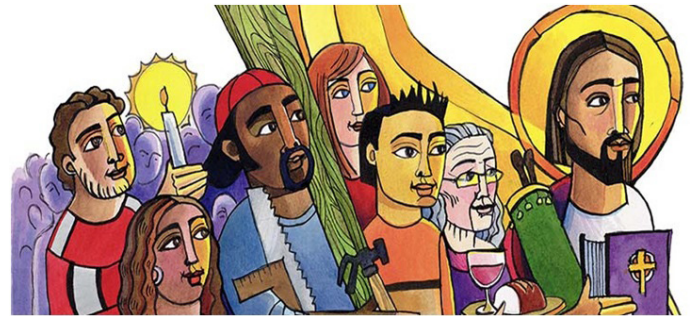


***“Faith is the realization of what is hoped for
And evidence of things not seen.”***

~Hebrews 11:1

Rest in Peace

Jo McNeil, mother of Sheri Andrews, who passed away this past week.
Andy Ries, father of Melissa Ries, whose funeral was on Friday.
May eternal light shine upon them.



Good News People

This Fall St. Joseph is launching a new and exciting program, the Good News People program for the entire parish and you are personally invited to participate. Good News People offers you the opportunity to:

- Meet other members of the parish and form a deeper sense of purpose and belonging
- Learn more about your faith and what it means to be a follower of Jesus
- Find renewed hope in living the Gospel and putting your faith into action

After all the Masses in September we will have registrations after Mass and there will be an opportunity to register on the parish website.

For more information contact: Steve Wodzanowski – stevev@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646 or Vince Herberholt – vherberholt3@comcast.net or 206-491-4486.

Goals of the Program

1. Explore the call to disciple-ship and the power of community through prayer, reflection and action.
2. Learn more about the richness of the Catholic faith through scripture, the catechism, and Church teaching.
3. Find renewed hope in living the gospel and putting faith into action.
4. Foster vibrant parish community alive with the Spirit and mission of Christ.

“God has anointed me to bring good news to the poor...”-Luke 4:18

Women's Ministry

Ladies - Are you interested in getting involved in the St. Joseph Women's Ministry? We are looking for parishioners to help lead this ministry, plan events and support the needs of the St. Joseph community. Please join us on Tuesday, August 27th at 7pm in the Parish Center. Learn more about Women's Ministry and how you can get involved.

Please contact Kaz Maras if you can attend. kjmaras@gmail.com / 206.228.2674

Women's Ministry Vision: To create and encourage a safe, loving environment for all women who seek a deeper relationship with God and with one another through spirituality, fellowship, knowledge, and service in action.

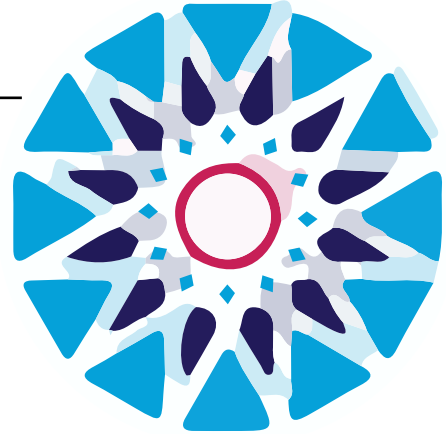


Community

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

young adult community

Looking for community? A place to discuss faith and life with others? The St. Joseph Young Adult community focuses on building spirituality, friendship, and creating social opportunities for young adults in the Seattle area.



<http://goo.gl/nGYjUa>

FOLLOW US & LEARN MORE

We are a new group hoping to grow within the St. Joseph Community. If you are interested in staying updated on events and opportunities with the St. Joseph Young Adult Community, you can follow us on our facebook page.

Scan the QR code to visit our Facebook page!



WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

If you are interested in young adult leadership, helping out with socials, planning events, or just giving us more ideas and feedback, please get in touch by emailing us anytime at:

sara.hogenson@gmail.com

or ***annapatrice.clarke@gmail.com***

You can ALSO reach us on our Facebook page to keep an eye out for participation opportunities. (See QR code/link above)

St. Joe's YAC Facebook Links

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/stjosephyoungadultcommunity>

Social Event Page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/177746785737688/>



Social Ministry

IMMIGRATION

JustFaith Ministries: "Crossing Borders"

The issue of IMMIGRATION is one of the most critical -- and controversial -- issues of our day. This very summer of 2013 our U.S. Congress is struggling to pass an Immigration Reform Bill, but not just the USA but countries around the world struggle with the problem (think Syria, South Sudan, Afghanistan...).

This Fall, St. Joseph's will be sponsoring an eight-week Thursday (6:30 - 9:00 pm) JustFaith workshop series on Immigration, beginning October 3rd, ending November 21st (the week before Thanksgiving).

As participants, you will discuss topics like US Border Enforcement, possible paths to legalization for the undocumented, the Immigration Detention system, the push and pull of global migration. We will watch documentaries, attend a Spanish-language Sunday Mass at St. Mary's, think about our own family's immigration story, meet and talk with real people who are living in the limbo of undocumented immigrants.

Are you interested? Simply contact workshop coordinators Julia Buchholz (206-329-3323), Samantha Welte (206-619-5400), or talk to Deacon Steve Wodzanowski (206-965-1646).

In the meantime, each Sunday in August we will give you a "test question" on Immigration, and publish the correct answer the following Sunday.

Last Sunday's question: Most immigrants in the USA are here illegally. This is FALSE. Of the more than 31 million foreign-born people living in the USA in 2009, 20 million were either citizens or legal residents. Of those undocumented, close to 50 per cent had entered legally and then let their papers expire.

Question for this Sunday: TRUE or FALSE: It's just as easy to enter the country legally today as it was when my ancestors arrived.

Parish Blood Drive

We are in the heart of the summer and with schools out and people on vacation, the overall blood supply has plummeted by more than 25% in just two weeks.

Can you help?

Your gift helps people right here, right now. You may not ever get to meet the individual you save, but know that they are forever grateful for your generosity. Please join us at the next St Joseph's Parish Blood Drive to share your unique and special gift.

Monday, Aug 12th

1:00 pm to 7:00 pm (closed 3:00pm to 3:45pm)

St Joseph's Parish Center

To schedule a donation time please call Renee Leet 206-324-2522 or email rleet@stjosephparish.org

Come and see what the Catholic Faith has to offer

Tuesday, September 24th

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 at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

All are welcome on this journey of faith!



♥ SAVE THE DATE ♥

BARBECUE & GOOD-BYE!



Fare Thee Well, Fr. Jack Mass & BBQ Party

Before leaving for Spokane, Fr. Jack will preach his final homily on Sunday, August 25th at the 5:30 pm Sunday evening Mass. Please join us for this Mass where we will also bless him.

All of St. Joseph's community are welcome to the BBQ party afterwards. Feel free to bring a dessert if you would like to, but most importantly bring yourselves.