

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
September 1, 2013

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

Readings for September 8, 2013

FIRST READING: WISDOM 9:13-18B
 SECOND READING: PHILEMON 9-10, 12-17
 GOSPEL: LUKE 14:25-33

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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In A Land of Endless War



*They have refined the means of destruction,
 abstract science almost visibly shining,
 it is so highly polished. Immaterial weapons
 no one could ever hold in their hands
 streak across darkness, across great distances,
 threading through mazes to arrive
 at targets that are concepts—*

*But one ancient certainty
 remains: war
 means blood spilling from living bodies,
 means severed limbs, blindness, terror,
 means grief, agony, orphans, starvation,
 prolonged misery, prolonged resentment and hatred and guilt,
 means all of these multiplied, multiplied,
 means death, death, death and death.*

-Denise Levertov-

As dogs return to their vomit, so fools repeat their folly.

-Proverbs 26:11-

In 1941, my father was in the first class of Naval ROTC graduates from Holy Cross College in Massachusetts. He ended up, about a year later, in the battle of the Philippines, where he commanded an LST and ensured that men and equipment were delivered to the front. Though it was clear that the war had done much to change his life, breaking him from the parochial Bostonian world in which he had been raised, he rarely spoke of the violence and

suffering he witnessed—preferring always to tell light-hearted stories of “liberated” equipment and camaraderie. Only once do I remember him telling a story where people he knew died, and I recall his voice dropping and the look in his eyes that told me he could see the events even 50 years later. And suddenly I knew that, though he bore no obvious scars or wounds, and though he had grown successful and happy in his life, he, did bear the effects of the violence and savagery in which he was called to participate. He never regretted the cost, of course, knowing it to be a just if hateful war; yet, it left its mark on his soul, as war always does on those who wage it and those who suffer beneath it.

Today, 72 years after my father began his service, we have become a people for whom war is the norm and not the exception: Korea, Vietnam, the Dominican Republic, Grenada, Panama, Iraq, Somalia, Bosnia, Afghanistan, Iraq (again)—not to mention the overthrow of the Iranian government in the 1950’s and the Chilean government in the 1970’s, and our involvement in Nicaragua and El Salvador in the 1980’s. Virtually no one alive today has lived more than a few years without US military forces being involved in violent action somewhere overseas. And in many of these actions, even the most fundamental principles of Catholic Just War theory (i.e., rightful authority, sufficient provocation, attempts at non-violent remedies, proportional response, due concern for non-combatants) have been ignored because of short-term geo-political ends and the overwhelming power that we possess. Repeatedly and increasingly, political leaders seem to choose a military response as the first option, rather than the last resort. Pushed by political rivals who are quick to call any diplomacy *appeasement* and any compromise *cowardice*, leaders look to their arsenal and to the good, loyal, and expertly trained soldiers at their disposal—perhaps too easily dismissing the death and destruction, physical and mental anguish war will create. They have chosen often unilateral military violence because they can; because—as President Eisenhower warned—we have created a military industrial complex, now empowered with an elaborate and invasive security infrastructure, which sees all solutions as reducible to bending the will of those we oppose through violence. As the old saying goes, “*When all you have is a hammer, everything looks like a nail.*”

Such bellicose actions play well to domestic politics and in the simplistic immediacy of the popular media, and they are, perhaps, inevitable, when one possesses such vast military might as does our nation (it seems we still find it hard to resist eating from the tree planted in the center of the garden). But returning, over and over again, to the violence that has not made us safer nor less anxious, that has not secured peace nor slowed the suf-

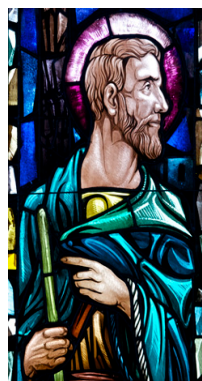
fering of millions of refugees seems to me an example of tragically poor discernment, and a sinful misuse of the powers and prerogatives given to us as a people.

This is not to deny that a dreadful need can, at times, call a nation to a just war; but, can a war be justified, can violence and the unavoidable death and incalculable suffering of innocents be acceptable, when other solutions have not yet been tried, or have been avoided because they seem too slow or lack the visceral satisfaction of military action?

The murder of thousands of innocent Syrians at the hands of their own government, which seems to have happened this last week, cries out for justice (*although we might pause in our righteous certainty to recall Iraq’s supposed weapons of mass destruction*). But is an attack by NATO cruise missiles or predator drones really justice? Is bombing sections of Syria, killing innocent and guilty alike, a wise response, or merely impotent posturing? Would we not do better to isolate completely those in power in Syria by a stringent embargo of all weapons and tools of war? Rather than rain down death, what if we were to care for every refugee with adequate food and sanitary conditions, with housing and hope brought to camps to which victims have fled? Would not our great wealth be better spent in healing those who are broken than in wounding those we have not the knowledge, power, or will to replace? Can we, as citizens called to responsibility for our government’s actions, find a better way—one that does not imperil the innocent of Syria and the soldiers and sailors of our own nation? Can we, at last, stop returning to the folly which has harmed so many women and men, has diminished our standing in the world, and stained the tradition of justice and law for which we once stood?

Let us pray for peace, and act with God’s power to bring that peace to the world; let us undo the ways of violence in our hearts, in our nation, in our world.

John



Mass Time Change

Next week, September 8th, the Mass times will go back to our regular schedule.

Saturday, Vigil Mass, 5:00 pm

Sunday, Mass, 9:00 am

Sunday, Mass, 11:00 am

Sunday Evening, Mass, 5:30 pm



Prayer

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

For the students and teachers as they begin the new school year . . . For families as they re-adjust to a new routine now that summer is drawing to a close . . . Grateful for finding a job . . . Guidance and insight in making decisions about the future . . . For those who are making changes in Haiti and in Africa by developing water wells to make the water life giving . . . For the well being of friends and family who are ill . . . Bon Voyage, Fr. Jack and thanks for the memories.



"Now may the Lord of Peace Himself give you peace at all times and in every way."

~ Thessalonians 3:16

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

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, September 5th, 7:00 pm, Church

Welcome The Newly Baptized

Grace Elizabeth Balicki
Stella Annabelle Martineau
Genevieve Cecelia Mullally
Evan Theodore Tsai

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.

Theology On Tap

St. James Cathedral Young Adult Ministry is excited to present Theology on Tap starting this September. We are hosting a three week series exploring how Catholic young adults (20's and 30's) in Seattle can live out their baptismal call all week long. From sitting in the pew on Sunday, to cranking through the work week, to meeting friends at the bar on the weekends, we will explore how we can stay connected to God and deepen our faith the whole week through. Join us at the Chieftain Irish Pub and Restaurant (908 12th Avenue) at 7 pm September 4, 11, and 18. A pre-event mass will also be offered at 6:15 pm at the St. Ignatius Chapel on Seattle University's campus. Questions? Contact Caitlin Lanigan 206-382-4235 or clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org.

COLLECTION: AUGUST 25, 2013

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

TOTAL FOR MASSES AND GIFTS MAILED IN: \$16,531.33



Community

Come and see what the Catholic Faith has to offer

Tuesday, September 24th
7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
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 steve@stjosephparish.org

All are welcome on this journey of faith!



To my St. Joseph's family

It is hard for me to put into words my experience at St. Joseph's. I only know that I was there - and I met a people of extraordinary beauty.

Your letters, good wishes and love deserve a response - which I am incapable of putting into words. I just know it was an experience of a life time.

So, I thank you - with a realization that we are, all of us, truly something to behold - and together we are truly God's people.

Fr. Jack O'Leary

Altar Server Training:

For those youth in grades 4th and higher who would like to serve during the Mass, our next training will be Monday, September 16, 2013 at 3:30 pm or Sunday, September 22, 2013 after the 11 am Mass. Please meet at the front steps of the altar platform in the church. The training will take about an hour. New servers will begin in October. This is a great way to earn service hours too! To sign up, please contact John Stuntebeck at jstuntebeck@stjosephparish.org or 206 965-1645.

Music Ministry:

Saint Joseph Choir seeking new members!

The Saint Joseph choir is seeking new members to sing during the coming year. There are openings in all voice parts though we are particularly in need of basses at this juncture.

We rehearse every Wednesday evening from 7-9 pm and sing at the 9 am mass every Sunday.

Please contact director of music Robert McCaffery-Lent at Rmclent@stjosephparish.org (206)965-1649 or visit any member of the music ministry after mass and give them your contact info.

Remember that *"Those who sing pray twice"*
~Saint Augustine

Meditation: Medicine for the Soul

ISC - Spirituality on Tap
Thursday, September 5, 2013
7:00 – 9:00 pm

St. Joseph Parish Center (Mother Teresa Room)
Kathy Heffernan, facilitating

Mindfulness and meditation practice are becoming increasingly popular as ways to aid healing for illness and to mitigate the effects of stress from our frantic modern way of life. Learn simple ways to incorporate mindfulness and meditation into your day and learn why meditation is "good medicine" for the body and soul. No cost. For young adults in their 20s and 30s. Please RSVP to Emily Davis at emily@ignatiancenter.org or 206.329.4824 ext 4. For more info visit www.ignatiancenter.org.



Social Ministry

JustFaith Ministries

"Crossing Borders"

We hope you have been enjoying our Weekly Questions about Immigration. On Sunday, September 1st, we will begin registering people for the JustFaith series, which starts Thursday, October 3rd. Either Samantha Welte or Julia Buchholz will be available after the Sunday 9:30 AM Mass September 1st to talk with you; the following week we plan to cover all Masses. We look forward to interesting questions and interested people!

Here is the information you need:

This Fall, St. Joseph's will be sponsoring an eight-week Thursday (6:30 – 9:00 pm) JustFaith workshop series on Immigration, beginning Oct. 3rd, ending Nov 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 (samanthawelte@gmail.com) or email/talk with Deacon Steve Wodznowski.

In the meantime, we continue our "test questions" on Immigration.

Last Sunday's question: **TRUE or FALSE: Immigrants take good jobs from Americans.**

Answer: Research indicates there is little connection between immigrant labor and unemployment rates of native-born workers. Two trends – better education and an aging population – have resulted in a decrease in the number of Americans willing or available to take low-paying jobs. To fill the void, employers often hire immigrant workers. Unfortunately, this makes it easier for unscrupulous employers to exploit this labor source.

Question for this Sunday, September 1st: TRUE or FALSE: Undocumented immigrants don't pay taxes but still get benefits. Look for answer next week!

Seniors On The Go

Friday, September 6th - Healing Mass, 11:30 am (*no luncheon*)

Tuesday, September 17th - OWL's monthly Potluck, 6:00 pm in the Social Hall



Parish Picnic Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help run the Parish/School Picnic on September 15th. Please sign up with Joe Augustavo at joeaugustavo@comcast.net or 206-229-6881. There will also be sign up sheets in the vestibule and at the hospitality hour for your convenience.

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:

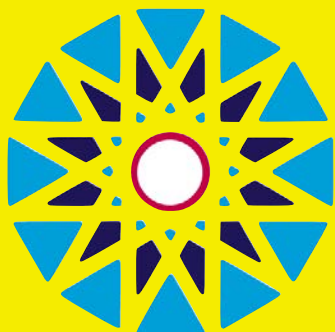
- Meet other members of the parish and form a deeper sense of purpose and belonging
- Learn more about your faith and what it means to be a follower of Jesus
- Find renewed hope in living the Gospel and putting your faith into action

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.



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



***The St. Joseph
Parish Picnic
Sunday, 15 September
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
(psst, bring a salad, side dish, or dessert!)***



Social Ministry

27 Years of Service & the Need Goes On



Picture (left to right): Kathy Fawthrop, Mary Guerra, Jenner Mathiason, Candice Frankinburger, Mike Pfau and Jeff Hirsch

St. Martin de Porres Shelter provides a night shelter for homeless men age 50 and older. The shelter opened in October 1984 in response to the growing need for an emergency shelter for this population, where their dignity and safety would be protected. The shelter currently operates at full capacity of 212 men a night, 365 nights a year; and during the day offers medical convalescent care. During the winter months, the Shelter has arrangements with eight local churches—including St. Joseph—which provide space for an additional 34 men.

Thanks to the quiet leadership and devotion by our co-ordinators, like Candice Frankinburger, St. Joseph's Parish has contributed thousands of hours of feeding the homeless at the St Martin de Porres shelter. It is one of our most long-standing and important ministries, thanks to the people who serve so generously.

For further information on how to participate, please contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at 206-965-1646 or steview@stjosephparish.org

Reflections from El Salvador

My name is Nathan Wolfe, and on July 17th I set out, along with a group of youth from the parish, on a life-changing trip to El Salvador. As soon as we landed in San Salvador we were greeted by 3 youth from Arcatao, the village where our sister parish is located. By using my passable Spanish knowledge, I was able to discern that these students had all been affected by the scholarship program, funded by St. Joseph. Fast forward 11 days, and I was forced to say goodbye to three youth who inspired and motivated me to reach my full potential.

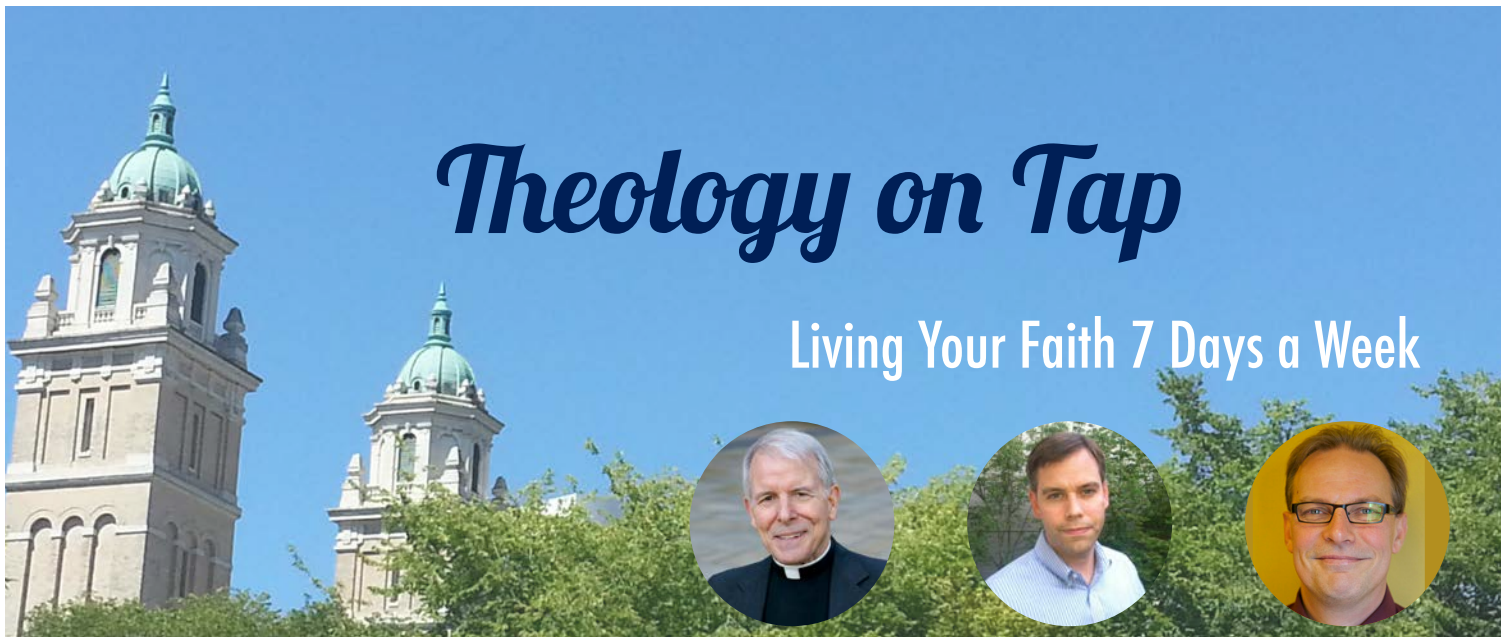
I bonded first with Mari, a 26 year old university graduate, who returned from college upon earning her degree. Mari is currently working as the therapist and counselor for the entire town of Arcatao. She is involved in the parish as well, working specifically with youth. Teenagers in rural El Salvador are in desperate need of the type of attention Mari provides, as limited opportunities for advancement often leave youth turning to gangs or drugs.

I next met Elizabeth, who was far more quiet than the other two, but when put in front of the group carried herself with poise and spoke eloquently. I learned that she was training as a nurse, and besides taking classes at the University, she was spending time working in hospital in the capital, hoping one day to take her skills back to her home in the countryside and provide treatment for those in need.

Finally, I met Enrique, a current student at the university studying personal accounting. Like Elizabeth, Enrique expressed aspirations to one day bring his professional skills to his village and help the community grow. Beyond that Enrique had me laughing almost constantly and was a fantastic dancer.

The trip was memorable in other ways too, but I felt what really struck a chord with me, was meeting these students and graduates. We were able to provide incredible people with the chance to reach their potential, and without our help, they never would have had that chance. I know if Enrique, Elizabeth and Mari were here the only thing would ask is that we work to provide this opportunity for as many youth as possible.

~Nathan Wolfe



Theology on Tap

Living Your Faith 7 Days a Week

Join us!

This is a three week series exploring how Catholic young adults (20's and 30's) in Seattle can live out their baptismal call all week long. From sitting in the pew on Sunday, to cranking through the work week, to meeting friends at the bar on the weekends, we will explore how we can stay connected to God and deepen our faith the whole week through.

Young Adult Ministry
St. James Cathedral
Come Listen & Engage

Location



908 12th Ave in Seattle

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Pre-event mass at 6:15pm located at the St. Ignatius Chapel on Seattle University's campus.

Finding God in your 20s and 30s: My Story

September 4th at 7:00pm

Father Michael G. Ryan, pastor of St. James Cathedral, will share stories of how God spoke to him through significant people and events in his own life during his formative young adult years.

Work Hard, Pray Hard: Finding God during the work week

September 11th at 7:00pm

David Unger, St. James parishioner, young adult, husband, and father of two will share his insight on how he has learned to keep his faith alive all week long while working as an economist at KPMG.

From the Party to the Pew: Including God all Weekend

September 18th at 7:00pm

Deacon Steve Wodzanowski serves as Pastoral Associate at St. Joseph Parish. A former Jesuit volunteer and father to two young adults, he will address the subject crossing every young adult's mind approaching the weekend.





Youth

The VOICE

The VOICE, a High School youth community, will welcome new members to the group on Wednesday, September 18th beginning at 7 pm in the Parish Center. All 9th through 12th grade students should come check it out!

Pathfinders

Pathfinders begins Wednesday, October 2nd from 6-7:30 pm. We will meet in the basement of the Parish Center. Pathfinders is our middle school youth group focused on service, friendship and fun.

Confirmation 2014

St. Joseph will be hosting the Sacrament of Confirmation this 2013-2014 school year. If you have a son or daughter that is 16 years of age or older and would like to go through this sacrament, please email Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org. Questions please call 206-965-1652.

CFF Sunday School Teachers Needed!

Are you curious about what CFF is? Would you like to learn what the sacraments are all about in a new way? Teaching children is a great way to do it! We are looking for some new teachers in our Children's Faith Formation program. We will teach you how to teach - no experience necessary. A background check and safety class are required. Please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652.

Children's Faith Formation - CFF

Register now for our Children's Faith Formation Programs

We offer Sunday childcare, preschool, kindergarten classes during the 9 am mass, and classes for first thru 8th graders after mass beginning in October.

Please visit our website for more details and online registration: www.stjosephparish.org "Children/Youth"

Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Here in our diocese the preparation for reception of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion is a two year program, typically beginning in the first grade. If you are a St. Joseph Parishioner, then you will want to sign up for our Children's Faith Formation Year 1 program (CFF1).

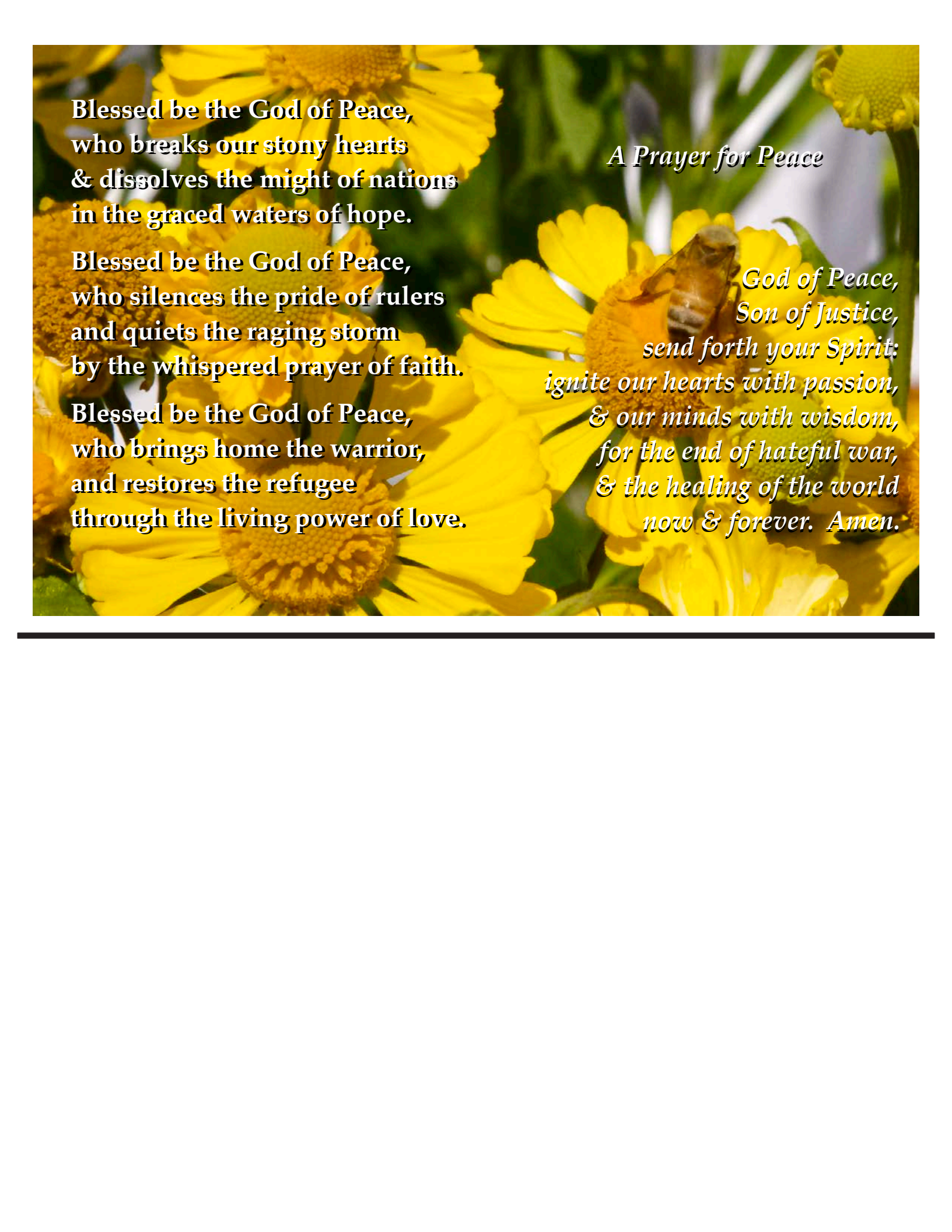
For families who completed CFF1 last year, you must register for CFF2 now.

Both CFF1 & CFF2 have additional event dates in addition to Sunday School. Check it out on our website under "Children/Youth," "Children's Faith Formation 1" or "Children's Faith Formation 2."

If you are unable to register online or have questions, please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org



2013 First Communion Class with Father Whitney



Blessed be the God of Peace,
who breaks our stony hearts
& dissolves the might of nations
in the graced waters of hope.

Blessed be the God of Peace,
who silences the pride of rulers
and quiets the raging storm
by the whispered prayer of faith.

Blessed be the God of Peace,
who brings home the warrior,
and restores the refugee
through the living power of love.

A Prayer for Peace

*God of Peace,
Son of Justice,
send forth your Spirit;
ignite our hearts with passion,
& our minds with wisdom,
for the end of hateful war,
& the healing of the world
now & forever. Amen.*
