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General Audience, St. Peter's Square, 9 October 2013

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In the Creed, we profess that the Church is "catholic"; in other words, she is universal. We can understand this catholicity in three ways. First, the Church is catholic because she proclaims the apostolic faith in its entirety; she is the place where we meet Christ in his sacraments and receive the spiritual gifts needed to grow in holiness together with our brothers and sisters. The Church is also catholic because her communion embraces the whole human race, and she is sent to bring to the entire world the joy of salvation and the truth of the Gospel. Finally, the Church is catholic because she reconciles the wonderful diversity of God's gifts to build up his People in unity and harmony. Let us ask the Lord to make us more catholic – to enable us, like a great family, to grow together in faith and love, to draw others to Jesus in the communion of the Church, and to welcome the gifts and contributions of everyone, in order to create a joyful symphony of praise to God for his goodness, his grace, and his redemptive love.



*TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY*  
*IN ORDINARY TIME*  
**October 13, 2013**

**Homily Next Week:**  
**Sister Parish Testimonials**

**Readings for October 20, 2013**

FIRST READING: EXODUS 17:8-13

SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 3:14-4:2

GOSPEL: LUKE 18:1-8

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**Saturday** - 5 pm

**Sunday** - 9:00 am, 11:00 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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## Are You Getting the E-Blast?

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# We Are All Ninevites

*"You are concerned over the gourd plant, which cost you no effort and which you did not grow; it came up one night and in one night it perished. And should I not be concerned over the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who cannot know their right hand from their left, not to mention all the animals."*

**-Jonah 4: 11-**

*Again the throb of compassion rather than the breath of consolation: the recognition of how long, how long is the mourners' bench upon which we sit, arms linked in undeluded friendship, all of us, brief links, ourselves, in the eternal pity.*

**-Peter DeVries-**

This week, in the daily readings for Mass, we have had the chance to listen to and pray with the *Book of Jonah*. Though many of us know at least some part of the story—e.g., Jonah ran away from God, was swallowed by a fish, got thrown up on shore three days later, etc.—for most of us, this is just another in a whole list of somewhat odd historical or prophetic texts in the Old Testament. Yet, for me, it has become one of my favorite parts of Scripture—and, this week, I have begun to notice how timely are the lessons of *Jonah* in the age of Pope Francis, on the one hand, and our dysfunctional Congress on the other.

The first thing to know about *Jonah*, however, is that it is not historical—it is a story, pure and simple, and a comedy at that. For those who believe that the Bible contains only lofty tomes of serious theology and often grim history, the *Book of Jonah* is both a challenge and a gift. While based upon a real character—a member of the prophetic guild, mentioned in *2 Kings*, who lived in 8th century Palestine—the story of Jonah has as little to do with its historical namesake as the movie, *Abraham Lincoln*, *Vampire Slayer*, has to do with the historical 16th President of the United States. Though mistakenly placed among the Prophetic Books, *Jonah* is written far later, as a comic allegory meant to explore the strange and wonderful mercy of God. Like *Job*, its more tragic counterpart, *Jonah* takes us beyond the simple notion of God's justice, where the law breakers are evil and worthy of punishment and the law followers are admirable and deserving of reward. Instead, the God of *Jonah* pardons the guilty foreigners and loves them, while the supposedly virtuous and law-abiding Jewish Prophet, though never harmed by God, is seen as something of a putz, who never comes to appreciate the true nature of the God he serves.

When Jonah runs away from God at the beginning of this book, the reader is led to believe he does so because he is afraid to do as God has asked: i.e., to go to Nineveh, the capital of one of Israel's great enemies, Assyria, and tell them they are all about to get destroyed. Which seems a fairly natural hesitation. Only later, when the Ninevites have all repented, do we realize the real reason Jonah runs away, as he tells God, *"This is why I fled at first toward Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and merciful God, slow to anger, abounding in kindness, repenting of punishment"* (4: 2). As a patriotic Isra-

elite, Jonah wants Nineveh destroyed, wants God to kill them all; but he knows that God is a soft-touch for the repentant, and that God's annoying mercy is likely to let the Ninevites off the hook, if they listen to the message Jonah brings. Of course, once God shows he is not going to let Jonah run away, the reluctant Prophet does bring the message—in as short a form as possible. In a city that it takes, reportedly, three days to walk across, Jonah offers a mere eight words of warning, *"Forty days more and Nineveh shall be overthrown"* and then goes off to watch the show.

Unfortunately for him, these eight words are all that is needed to lead the entire country into repentance. Though they have no knowledge of the God of Israel, have no proof of anything Jonah says, all the Ninevites, from the king on his throne to the cattle and sheep, begin a fast and cover themselves with sackcloth and ashes (and if you can picture the cows and sheep in sackcloth and ashes, you get a sense of the comedy the author intends). And God, compassionate even upon these foreigners, relents—much to Jonah's dismay.

Of course, God also tries to be compassionate to Jonah; tries to teach him the lesson that true justice, Divine justice, is inseparable from compassionate love. He gives him a gourd tree for shade, and then has a worm kill the tree, to open Jonah's eyes to the hatefulness of death. But all Jonah feels is resentment, as though he is entitled to the tree, and God was now stealing from his wealth. The story ends with the foolish, though still beloved Prophet asking for death, as God tries to convince him of the goodness and blessedness of all life. We leave the story laughing, but perhaps, also, a bit uncomfortable.

In these days of divided government—when children await WIC payments for food and cancer patient advocates clean houses to make ends meet; in these times of war and displacement—as refugees stream across the border from Syria or remain trapped amid the rubble of war; in these places of fear and mourning—where hopeless mothers abort their unloved children and weakening elders look for death—how many of us sit complaining that the gourd tree, given us by grace, has been taken away? How many of us grumble, like Jonah, blaming and resentful that *our side* has not yet won, that we have not gotten *our* rights, that those *others* have not yet perished? But this attitude—foolish and funny, were its effects not so disastrous—need not define us, need not control us.

As Pope Francis shows, with courage and compassion we can be like the God who sent Jonah to Nineveh and sent Christ Jesus into our midst: *"gracious and merciful, slow to anger, abounding in kindness, repenting of punishment."* But if we are to be like Christ, or like God who made us, we must gentle our *Jonah-hearts*, our resentment and our sense of entitlement. We must speak our message of repentance forcefully, but not from anger, from compassion; from the experience of suffering we share with whole human family. If we are to be like Christ, we must become the givers of mercy *and* the mercy which is given, willingly laying down our lives, even for our enemies; indeed, especially for our enemies. We must become compassion together, rejoicing for the life of the Ninevites—not to mention all the animals.





# Prayer

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

*"Shawls ... made for centuries universal and embracing,  
symbolic of an inclusive, unconditionally loving, God.  
They wrap, enfold, comfort, cover, give solace,  
mother, hug, shelter and beautify.  
Those who have received these shawls have been  
uplifted and affirmed, as if given wings to  
fly above their troubles..."*

We invite you to join knitters and crocheters of all abilities to participate in the St. Joe's prayer shawl ministry. The purpose of the ministry is to give someone in need a tangible example of God's love and care. We will meet once a month in the parish....from 7-9 in the evening. Following refreshments and prayer, we will knit or crochet the shawls. People will be welcome to work on their shawls at home in between meetings. When a shawl is finished, a blessing will be given and it will be distributed to someone in need of this special blessing.

Patterns will be provided and we will be asking the parish community for yarn and needle donations.

If you are interested in participating, or if you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Rothmeyer at (206)310-0198 or [jenniferrothmeyer@hotmail.com](mailto:jenniferrothmeyer@hotmail.com).



## Confirmation

We are pleased to announce Bishop Eusebio Elizondo will be here for our Confirmation Mass on Saturday, February 22nd at 5pm. Please join us for an informational meeting for youth, sponsors, and parents, next Sunday, October 20th at 12:30 pm in the parish center. Classes begin Sunday, October 27th following the 11am mass in the Mother Theresa Room of the Parish Center (basement level). Each class begins with lunch at 12:15pm and ends at 2pm. All class materials will be provided. The fee for classes is \$125. Classes will be every Sunday through February. The class syllabus will provide dates and details and will be available Oct 20th.

To register please visit our website [stjosephparish.org](http://stjosephparish.org) Call Dottie Farewell 206-965-1652 with any questions.

## Men's Ministry Fall Retreat

October 25-27, 2013

Beautiful Camp Casey on Whidbey Island

RETREAT ANIMATORS: Leo Lyons, Glen Butterworth SJ, Hunter Chua, Bengt Johnson, Brian Hahn

Retreat begins Friday evening at 8:00 p.m. and ends 11am on Sunday. Cost: \$125.00 per person (includes two nights lodging & four meals - double occupancy, Cost does not include transportation. We will help organize carpooling. Accommodations are simple and rustic! Linens are available for a \$12.00 charge. All rooms sleep two.

Sign-up on first come, first pay basis. Questions? Call Steve at 965-1646 or [steve@stjosephparish.org](mailto:steve@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.

**St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions:** For the well being of Rebecca, Reilly, Katie, Scott, Tricia, Michael, Joan, John, Carolyn and Danny . . . Healing comfort to those who are worried or discouraged . . . Trusting God about where to live; finding a job compatible with background and skills; to be at peace within . . . For our children to grow in faith, hope and love.

**Prayer Tree**



*"Now you are cleansed through the word which I have spoken to you."*

~ John 15:3

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](mailto:rleet@stjosephparish.org)





# Community

## Pancake Breakfast Thank You's

What a terrific way to kick off the school year together! Thank you for your support in this year's pancake breakfast hosted by our parish & parish school's parent association board (PAB). We served over 1000 flapjacks and dished up plenty of eggs and sausage for everyone. A special thanks to Erin Tobin and Cristina Murphy for their excellent planning for this event. We also would like to thank Rosemary, Piri and Sadie, Stacey D., Ann, Larry W., Ann Marie, Joe, David, Paul, Mary, and Ethan F., Peter, Nick, Ben, and Franklin H., Shawn N., Stephanie C., Sara C., Erin and Megan S., Jackson H., Sophie L., Cristina and Aliyah M., Stephanie and Bill O., Rich, Vivian, Cooper Amelia, and Thomas L., Aaron E., Joe B., Michelle G., Annie M., Bill S., Josie M., Orelia O., Sara R. and the 7th Grade Religion class for helping to set up! Your help was invaluable!

## Applying to Gonzaga?

Application Fee Waiver for Gonzaga University.

As a graduate of Gonzaga I can provide 2 \$50 application fee waivers for students applying for admission. If you are applying and would like to take advantage of this, please contact me at [vherberholt3@comcast.net](mailto:vherberholt3@comcast.net)

Vince Hereberholt

## Baptism Prep Team Help Needed

We are looking for another one or two team members this year. Responsibilities include helping with our quarterly classes and assisting families during the baptism masses. We have a great team of experienced volunteers who look forward to working with new members. If you are interested or would like to volunteer please contact Dottie Farewell at [dfarewell@comcast.net](mailto:dfarewell@comcast.net) or 206-965-1652.

## CFF2 Workshop Reminder

The required workshop for all kids enrolled in our CFF2 classes & their parents is on Saturday, October 19th at 9:30 am. Coffee and breakfast snacks will be provided.

## An Evening with Fr. Greg Boyle, SJ

"Barking to the Choir:  
Now Entering the Kinship of God"

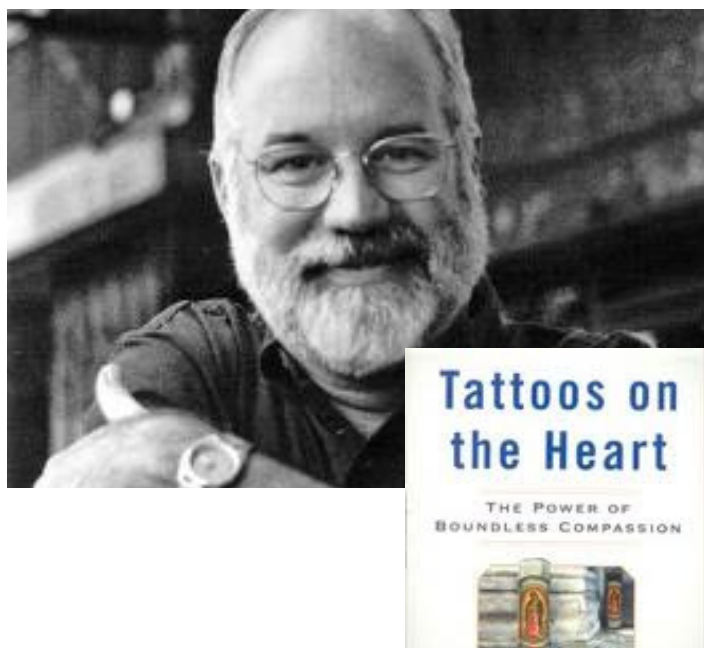
Friday, October 25, 2013 7:30 PM  
St. Joseph Church 732 18th Ave. E. Seattle,  
Tickets are \$25

In recognition of 30 years of providing the Spiritual Exercises in the Puget Sound region, SEEL is hosting this event to raise funds that will support the continuing ministry of SEEL now and into the future.

Father Greg is an internationally acclaimed speaker and founder of Homeboy Industries [www.homeboyindustries.com](http://www.homeboyindustries.com) - which helps former gang members redirect their lives and become contributing members of their families and the community by offering hope, training and job skills. They provide free services and programs that provide alternatives to re-incarceration or a return to former gang lives, and is the largest gang rehabilitation program in the country. Fr. Greg is the author of the New York Times Bestselling book, *"Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion"*.

To purchase tickets go to Brown Paper Tickets <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/427708>

For more information, please visit our website at [www.seelpugetsound.org](http://www.seelpugetsound.org) or call 206 721 3518.





# Social Ministry



**REGISTER NOW!**

## 2013 REGIONAL ADVOCACY CONVENINGS

The Dialogue for Justice is an Archdiocesan-wide initiative to strengthen Catholic advocacy on behalf of the poor and vulnerable in our communities. Since 2011, Catholic Community Services, the Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center, and the Washington State Catholic Conference have coordinated with parishes and Catholic organizations to effectively advocate to reduce poverty in our communities.

**Our Advocacy Makes a Difference!**

Please join us to help strengthen our regional advocacy network and prepare for the 2014 Legislative Session:

St. James Cathedral, Seattle  
Sat., Oct. 19, 10:00 AM–Noon  
Please register by October 11!

Join us to:

- Learn more about 2014 Legislative Priority Issues impacting poverty
- Meet advocates from your area
- Create action plans with your parish/community

Together, we can urge legislators to implement programs and policies that give priority to the human dignity and rights of all, especially the poor and vulnerable. For questions about registration, please call Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or [stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org)

## My Senior Parent Needs Assistance

### - Where Do I Find Help?

Tuesday, October 22nd, 7:00 – 8:30 pm at St. James Cathedral: 804 9th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104 (Entrance at corner of Terry and Columbia)

Speakers: Aegis on Madison, Family Resource HomeCare, Providence Home Health & Hospice, Northwest Elderlaw Group, Choice Advisory Services, Providence Mount Saint Vincent

Learn about:

- Differences between independent living, assisted living, adult family homes, skilled nursing
  - Home health vs home care
  - Essential legal documents
    - Hospice
  - Medicare vs Medicaid

RSVP to 206-325-1600 or email [joan.rettmann@aegis-living.com](mailto:joan.rettmann@aegis-living.com) for more information.

## A Note From Baby Corner

Because of continuing demand, we are low on many of the essential items that we regularly distribute to young families in need. If you can pick up one or more of these items on your next shopping trip, we would be grateful! Donations may be dropped off at the Baby Corner (528 18th Avenue) during our regular business hours, from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, or at one of our crib communities.

We have an immediate need for the following items:

- diapers, all sizes
- baby hygiene items—wash, shampoo, lotion, diaper rash ointment
- receiving blankets
- infant clothing (0–3 months, 3–6 months), specifically undershirts, pj sleepers, blanket sleepers

On behalf of the babies and toddlers who benefit from your generosity, thank you!

Please visit us online for more information about how we put your donations to work: [www.seattlebabycorner.org](http://www.seattlebabycorner.org)



# Social Ministry

## Parish Blood Drive

Will you make your appointment now for the upcoming St Joseph's blood drive?

Monday, October 14th  
1:00pm to 7:00pm (Closed 3:00-4:00)  
St Joseph Parish Center- 732 18th Ave E

Appointments are available- contact Renee Leet in the Parish Office (206) 324-2522 ext 100 or [rleet@stjosephparish.org](mailto:rleet@stjosephparish.org)

### ***WAIT! Do you know?***

Starting October 1st, Puget Sound Blood Center will be requiring Photo ID or PSBC Donor Card for all donors at each donation. The implementation of the policy is so that we can make sure we get the right person matched up to the right donor record in an effort to improve our quality standards, which is something we continually strive for. Anything with your full name and a photo will do- ie. student ID with a photo, Costco card, credit card, driver's license, passport, etc. Please note that a PSBC donor card, despite not having a photo, IS acceptable, and encouraged. If you do not have one, or have misplaced your donor card, you can request one here: [http://www.psbcc.org/programs/donor\\_card.htm](http://www.psbcc.org/programs/donor_card.htm)



## Trick or Treat for Jesuits

Last year, at Halloween, the Jesuit Community was swamped by ghouls and ghosts, princesses and angels, and we ran out of candy. Can you help us get a supply for this year's onslaught? Just bring a bag of candy to mass next week and place it in the box in the vestibule or drop it by the Parish Center. The (Holy) Spirit will thank you!



## Sister Parish in El Salvador

One of the greatest achievements of our 26 year relationship with our Sister-Parish of San Bartolomé in El Salvador has been the DHP Scholarship Program, which St. Joseph has helped maintain--although only sporadically. In a region where many young people emigrate because of poverty and lack of work, these scholarships help students attain an education in El Salvador, and then require them to return to their community and give back. Serving nearly 40 students (though the program receives three-times that number of applicants), with a budget of only \$35,500, the impact of these scholarships is huge compared to the cost. Yet, even at these low costs (less than \$1000 per student per year), the program has trouble meeting expenses for the number of students.

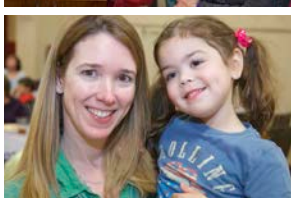
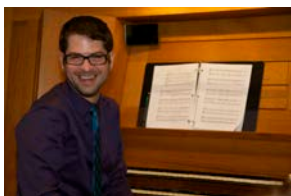
This year, on Mission Sunday Weekend, **October 19-20, St. Joseph Parish will support our brothers and sisters with special envelopes to maintain this scholarship program. Envelopes will be available and you will be able to give on-line, as well.**

As an added incentive, an anonymous St. Joseph parishioner has agreed to match all funds raised, dollar-for-dollar. This is a wonderful and graced opportunity to bless bountifully from the bounty we have received.

**Please consider a gift, next Weekend, or in the following week. The need is great, but so are our hearts to meet it!**

*For additional information on the Scholarship Fund, you can go to the St. Joseph website under Sister Parish.*





# *Ignited by the Eucharist . . .*

## **In the Celebration of the Liturgy**

ALTAR SERVERS

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

USHERS

CHOIR MEMBERS

INSTRUMENTALISTS

LECTORS

FUNERAL HOSPITALITY  
MINISTERS

SUNDAY HOSPITALITY  
MINISTERS

DAILY MASS MINISTRY:  
7:00 AM MON-FRI

## **In Our Parish Life Communities**

GOOD NEWS PEOPLE

SACRED SILENCE

SCRIPTURE STUDY

MEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

MOM'S GROUP

SENIOR MINISTRY

ALMOST BOOMERS

COUPLES' MINISTRY

RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN  
INITIATION FOR ADULTS

ADVOCATE SERVICES

SISTER PARISHES:  
EL SALVADOR & KENYA

CHOOSE LIFE MINISTRY

L.G.B.T. MINISTRY

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

## **In Children's Faith Formation**

BAPTISM PREPARATION

CONFIRMATION

C.Y.O. SPORTS

PATHFINDERS YOUTH  
GROUP

THE VOICE  
HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

FIRST RECONCILIATION &  
COMMUNION

SUNDAY CHILDCARE

SUNDAY SCHOOL:  
CHILDREN'S FAITH  
FORMATION

## **In Social Outreach with Companion Ministries**

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
SOCIETY

ST. JOSEPH BABY CORNER

HOSPITAL & HOMEBOUND  
MINISTRY

L'ARCHE COMMUNITY

CHIEF SEATTLE CLUB

SHIRTS ACROSS AMERICA

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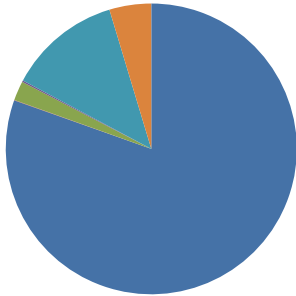
ST. MARTIN DE PORRES:  
SATURDAY MEALS

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES:  
OVERNIGHT WINTER  
SHELTER

PUGET SOUND BLOOD  
CENTER

*. . .to love & serve.*

# Your Gifts & Their Use: The Financials of St. Joseph<sup>1</sup>



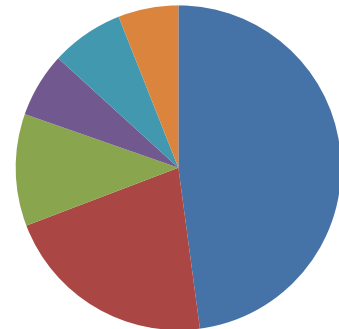
- Sunday Collections & Stewardship Gifts
- Fundraisers - Concerts, Wreath making
- Remembrances & Devotions
- Restricted Donations for Outreach
- Business Revenue - Facility Rental, Interest, Admin Fees etc
- Program Revenue - Adult & Child Faith Formation
- Miscellaneous Revenue

## REVENUE<sup>2</sup>

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS & STEWARDSHIP GIFTS	1,552,757
FUNDRAISERS - <i>concerts, wreath making, etc.</i>	919
REMEMBRANCES & DEVOTIONS	41,670
RESTRICTED DONATIONS FOR OUTREACH	3,284
BUSINESS REVENUE - <i>facility rental, interest, admin. fees, etc.</i>	242,483
PROGRAM REVENUE - <i>Adult &amp; Children's Faith Formation</i>	89,558
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	248
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>1,930,919</b>

## EXPENSES

ADMINISTRATION - <i>communications, compensation, supplies</i>	875,994
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - <i>Church Building, Parish Center</i>	389,904
SCHOOL SUPPORT	204,000
PROGRAMS - <i>Faith Formation, Education, Community</i>	117,390
INSURANCE & SAFETY	132,500
ARCHDIOCESAN ASSESSMENT - <i>(does not include ACA)</i>	109,487
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,829,225</b>



- Management & Administrative - Communications, Compensation, Supplies
- Buildings & Grounds - Church, Social Hall & Parish Center
- School Support
- Programs - Faith Formation, Education & Community
- Insurance & Safety
- Archdiocesan Assessment - Tax due, does not include ACA Assessment

### With Thanks

Beyond the abstractions of these numbers  
are hundreds of parishioners:  
donors & volunteers, parents & singles,  
young families & generational supporters,  
who create & enliven our Parish every day.

We are grateful for every person  
who loves & serves our community.  
May we stand as one for years to come.  
*To the Greater Glory of God!*

<sup>1</sup> Fiscal Year: 1 July 2012 — 30 June 2013; for more detail, go to financial page at, [www.stjosephparish.org](http://www.stjosephparish.org).

<sup>2</sup> Funds raised over expenses are held to replenish reserves depleted in prior years, and to meet loan expenses from Centennial Campaign.





# Community

*"THE SINGING THING"*  
 WEEKLY REFLECTIONS ON THE MUSIC WE  
 USE AT ST JOSEPH'S  
 ~ROBERT McCAFFERY~LENT



It's been  
 awhile since  
 we've talked

via this column so it's good to be back. At our staff meeting last week we talked about the importance of relationships in a parish community and how challenging it can be for people to know one another in a community as large and spread out as St. Joe's. To that end, over the course of the next few weeks I want to take time to introduce you to the members of the Saint Joseph choir. We have added several new singers this fall and are always open to more...to whomever feels the call of music ministry (and who can carry a tune reasonably well!). We are particularly in need of some lower voices otherwise known as MEN! You know who you are! Call me!

We are also open to instrumentalists to fill out the various ensembles: strings, brass, percussion, guitar, bass...etc.... if you are skilled at one of these and would like to add your sound to that of the whole...call me!

This weekend we will start to sing a new setting of the Gloria. As you know, the translation of the mass changed two years ago, which necessitated new music for all the various acclamations, some of which we had come to know so well. Every parish in the US (and other English speaking places around the world) has struggled over the past two years to learn new mass settings and the most difficult of all of these has been the Gloria. Music directors have struggled to make decisions about which settings are the best for their community to learn and to try to guess what might become the next "Mass of Creation" (the mass setting that was far and away the best known over the past 30 years). The reason that the Gloria has been so difficult is that the text for the Gloria is much longer than any of the other acclamations and, since it is translated word for word, no value was given to how it would "sing." While refrains are not too difficult to set compositionally, the verses tend to sound like the composer jammed a bunch of words into a meandering melody.

I believe the simple chanted version that we have learned over the past two years has enabled us to re-learn this ancient hymn and to pray it reasonably well. We also want to have a more upbeat metrical version for the Gloria in our parish repertoire and that is what we will introduce this weekend. Since it is metrical, the verses will initially be sung solo by cantor and choir until all of us have a chance to hear it several times and we can all begin to pick it up. It will take some time for all of us to get it, a year or more, and that's fine. We're not going anywhere!

## Pope And A Pint

St. Joseph Young Adult Community Event  
 Wednesday, October 16 | 7:00 pm-9:30 pm  
 Suggested Donation \$10.00

Join us for fellowship, food, and drinks in the St. Joseph Parish Social Hall (732 18th Ave E)\* as we discuss Pope Francis! Guest speaker, Fr. John Whitney, will share his thoughts on the evening's topic, open up for Q&A, and spark round table discussions. This is a great opportunity to bring together the young adults at St. Joe's and share each other's thoughts. We will be serving beer and wine, so don't forget to bring your ID which will be checked at the door (this is an age 21+ event).

RSVP by Monday, October 14 to [youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org](mailto:youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org) or on the Facebook event page here.

We need help with set-up/take-down for this event, so if you can come 15 minutes early to help, please email us at [youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org](mailto:youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org) letting us know!

\*Please park in the lot behind the church.

## CYO Basketball Registration

Grades 4-8



Online registration for basketball is open until October 15th, go to the school website: <http://stjosephsea.org/> Click on CYO, then the online BASKETBALL link. The FEE for basketball is \$65. All registration fees will be billed to your school account. Payment arrangements for non-

school families, please contact Jordan Howell at [jhowell@stjosephsea.org](mailto:jhowell@stjosephsea.org). Questions can be sent to our basketball coordinators:

Girls - Doug Skrobut - [doug@mccormickwoods.com](mailto:doug@mccormickwoods.com)  
 Boys - Steve Knight - [steve.knight@olympiceagle.com](mailto:steve.knight@olympiceagle.com)

## St Joseph's Wonderful Choir

To join please call Bob McCaffery-Lent at 206-965-1649

“Singing is for the one who loves!” ~St. Augustine

