SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 8, 2013

Reflection Next Week: Jim Schneider

Readings for December 15, 2013

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
Second Reading: James 5:7-10
Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday - 5 pm Sunday - 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm

Weekday Mass Schedule Monday - Friday, 7 am, Parish Center

Reconciliation

Saturday - 3:30-4:15 pm in the Church or by appointment

Parish Center Hours
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St. Joseph Holiday Schedule



Saturday, December 14

10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Parish Prayers & Reconciliation Service

Sunday, December 22

No 5:30 pm Mass for Church decorating

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Tuesday, December 24

7:00 am, Daily Mass

4:00 pm, Children's Mass (Doors open at 3:00 pm)

6:00 pm, Mass in the Evening

10:00 pm, Lessons & Carols

10:30 pm, Mass in the Night

Wednesday, December 25

10:00 am, Mass in the Morning

New Year's Eve Tuesday, December 31

7:00 pm, Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, ending at Midnight



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2014 Stewardship Fund

As of December 3, 2013

Amount Pledged: \$810,896.00 Goal: \$1,500,000.00

Advent: Of Repentance & Fear

When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, John said to them, "You brood of vipers!

Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath?

Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance.

And do not presume to say to yourselves,

'We have Abraham as our father.'

For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees."

-Matthew 3: 7-10-

Years before founding the Society of Jesus, Ignatius of Loyola studied in Paris, and offered himself in service to various ministries among the poor. Whether it was begging food for a hungry family or finding wood for the fires of those who were ill, the student, Ignatius—who himself lived on alms gathered in the streets—would do anything to bring comfort and consolation to those most forgotten. One day, invited to accompany his friend, Dr. Fragus, Ignatius arrived at a house in which a number of plague victims lay dead or dying. Entering without hesitation, Ignatius found a man on the floor, and touch a sore on the man's body, in an act of comfort and encouragement. Shortly after he left the man, however, Ignatius began to feel pain in his hand, and became convinced in his fear that his small act of charity had resulted in his contracting the plague. More and more, as he walked along, the fear grew within him, overwhelming him, until he could think of nothing else but the pain in his hand. Finally, as the fear grew to obsession, Ignatius thrust his whole hand into his mouth, declaring to himself, "If you have the plague in your hand, you'll also have it in your mouth!" And in that moment, the fear-along with the pain it engendered-left him.

Ignatius remembered this event always, not as an argument against hygiene, but as a parable of the debilitating power of fear, and a testimony to its fragility in the face of confrontation. For more than any illness, more than any real danger or threat, it is fear, Ignatius knew, that plagues our human nature, fear that immobilizes us, fear that blinds us, fear that keeps us from opening ourselves, in faith, to the powerful gifts of God. Fear, the true plague, burrows into our hearts and turns our hope for the kingdom of God into cautious self-absorption and, ultimately, into despair.

As he left that house and the side of that sick man, Ignatius saw no one around him, heard no other voice, felt nothing, except the pain in his hand and the growing sense of doom in his heart. Fear blinded him to opportunities for service, and to the gifts present for his enjoyment—blinded him to the call of the poor and the beauty of that magnificent city. Rather than beholding Christ, present in the world, he could see only himself through the fog of fear than enveloped him.

Fear is the viper that bites us in a thousand different places. How many of us have failed to stand up against prejudice or injustice out of fear of being unpopular? How many of us have said the cutting word or cracked the joke at another's expense because—deep down—we feared that we might not measure up? How many times has our fear of failure kept us from trying? Our fear of commitment kept us from loving? Our fear of not being able to do "the best" kept us from doing good? How much does our fear of aging or death keep us from walking with those who need us? Our fear of uncertainty and chaos keep us from the poor or those in prison? How often do we hide—like the "children of Abraham"—behind our titles or positions because we fear being in the wilderness, fear that God will not be there to lead us out, will not love us enough to bear good fruit in our lives?

Fear is the viper, and its sting is that separation, that alienation, that isolation we call *sin*. Fear, when it controls our lives, makes us like the Pharisees and Saducees, who came to John, not because passion and desire for the kingdom burned within them, but because they wanted to cover their bases—wanted to be safe, in case this guy in the camel-hair suit was right. This brood of vipers—this passionless bundle of fears—cared only for the safe, the small, the reasonable demands of a faith that cannot contain the passion of the desert.

But God does not call us to the safe, the small, the reasonable. God calls us to: "Repent," and to live as though "the kingdom of heaven is close at hand." These words are not about safety, but about overthrowing fear and expecting what we have no right to expect—that God will come into our midst, that from the stock of Jesse—a small-time farmer in a backward culture—the Spirit of the Lord will come forth. That we—each one of us, and all of us together, no matter how unworthy we think ourselves to be—we will be baptized with the Holy Spirit and fire, if we are willing to take the leap.

Such belief—such repentance—is what we are called to this Advent, and towards it we must turn, not denying our fears, but refusing to be controlled by them; lighting our small candles, one week at a time, until the gathering flame pushes back the darkness and makes way for hope.

Such repentance may take many forms: perhaps it will be asking forgiveness when we are not certain it will be granted; or reaching out to the poor and forgotten, when we don't know what talents we have to bring. Perhaps repentance means trusting your children to God, even when it seems they have wandered from the Church; or trusting that God is in the Church, even when it challenges our security or independence. Perhaps repentance means overcoming our fear of failure and chaos, and letting God run the universe for awhile. Perhaps it will be as silly as sticking our hand into our mouths, or as difficult as giving up the possessions that mask our insecurity. Whatever it takes to remove these fears, it will be hard work, but of this we can be sure: the ax is already at the root.



We Care for St. Joseph Stewardship Update

Many, many thanks to all who have made gifts and pledges thus far. To date, we have received **340 pledges totaling \$810,896.00**. We are endlessly grateful for your care of and commitment to St. Joseph Parish!

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We ask each and every Parish family to complete a pledge envelope, whether or not you are able to make a financial gift. Your affirmation of membership and pledge of prayers is enough for us but we want to know that you join us in this gracious and holy work.

Please, if you haven't done so already, take a close look at our annual report, ask any questions you may have about our strategic plan or finances, and prayerfully consider what gift-- if any-- you may be able to pledge to our parish in the coming year. Together, we stand united, Ignited by the Eucharist to love and serve. And in doing so become what Pope Francis calls the Church to be: a home for all people, not a chapel for a selected few.

St. Joseph School Helps Out At St. Vincent de Paul

Last week St. Vincent de Paul was visited by second grade students from St. Joseph School in Seattle. The second graders toured the facility to learn about SVdP's Help Line, Home Visits, Thrift Stores, and other programs to help our struggling neighbors. Along with their tour, our friendly, energetic guests helped out in our Georgetown Food Bank, where we served 1,361 people, including 107 homeless people, from 400 households.





Dots & Dashes My First Reconciliation

This past Saturday, 65 children received the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Here at St. Joseph's we have a morning service for the children and their parents beginning with song, hearing a reading and homily, and then proceeding to individual confessions. Along with Fr. John and Fr. Glen, we are thankful to have other fellow Jesuit priests in the community come to administer this sacrament. First Reconciliation is a celebration which two years ago brought me to tears when my oldest received it. Those tears were such a surprise to me—though I was comforted to see the mom next to me crying as well—as they were unexpected and not ones of grief, but joy.

I was in 4th grade when I celebrated my First Reconciliation. I must admit, I chuckle when writing "celebration" now as an adult, because as a child I definitely did not see it as a time of joy and merriment. I remember there were around 20 of us in the church, waiting in a single file line for our turn to talk with our pastor, Fr. Tom, face to face in the confessional (there was even a little light above the door—green you could enter and red meant to wait.). As we stood there we also began exchanging "ideas" about what we would confess. Swearing and fighting seemed to be the most popular, though I did not care for this banter as I thought that really wasn't the purpose of the sacrament. Although the formation for Reconciliation wasn't very memorable, the thought of actually receiving the sacrament—confessing to my priest all the bad things I had done-was very serious and sobering. I kept my confession to myself, and then, as I approached Fr. Tom, wished I would have had a trial run back in line...because I froze. I was filled with shame and embarrassment and really didn't want the priest to know what a bad person I was. And it wasn't my fear of the penance I would receive, but it was realizing another person would know my failings and not like me, or worse judge me. Even after receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation, I felt more relief in it being over, than of comfort all was set right again.

I continued to occasionally go to Reconciliation at high school & college retreats, and also prior to confirmation and marriage, but I again felt the release of tension of having gotten through my confession; nothing joyful about it. Sometimes I did feel a movement of peace, but never long lasting or a "wow, I'm glad I did that" feeling. So when the water works happened that day at my child's Reconciliation service, I was stunned. I was moved to receive the sacrament myself that day, and truly, for the first time, felt hope. Hope in knowing that I am flawed, full of vices and confusion, but the guilt—that sense of burden and heaviness guilt piles on my shoulders—was lifted. I continue to be a "work in progress," and Reconciliation gave me the hope that by golly, I am going to try and fulfill what God has in store for me, because I am loved by God. I am a child of God—as we all are—and I will hope and try to do better.

How often do we tell our children when they do something hurtful, that we know they will try to do better next time? Why does that need end for us as adults? Don't you think God would like to hear us say "Sorry, I'll try to do better," just as much as we want to hear it from our children? Like prayer flags that release the written prayers up to heaven as the wind and rain and sun weather them away, our words we release at reconciliation purges the sorrow, guilt, anxiety carried within us and allows God to receive them. And we may then try again, and bring our love and hopefulness back into our lives and the world.

~Dottie Farewell, Director of Religious Education

"If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

~John 20:23





"The Journey to Bethleham"

Saturday, December 14th, 10 am

A TIME OF RECONCILIATION & RENEWAL IN ADVENT

This year, in a move to offer the sacrament of Reconciliation within a larger context of prayer, Fr. John will be offering a morning of reflection and renewal--a miniature retreat in the midst of Advent. On Saturday, 14 December 2013, from 10 am until 1:00 pm, members of the Parish are invited to come and pray in the church. During this time, confessors will be available and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered continually. Each hour, a brief prayer and scriptural reflection will be presented, with points for prayer.

Come for 15 minutes, for an hour, or for the whole morning!

Advent Reflection Day with Edwina Gateley

In God's Womb: Your Soul Journey with God
Saturday December 14, 2013
9:00 am – 3:30 pm
Shoreline Conference Center

Edwina Gateley, a favorite presenter at our Convocations, will;

- Explore how our relationship with God changes & grows
- Be the prophetic witnesses we are called to be in our church & world. Contact the Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center: ipjc@ipjc.org/206.223.1138

Giving Tree

Thank you for supporting one of our Outreach Partners!

Instructions: GIFTS MUST BE BACK TO THE CHURCH BY MONDAY DECEMBER 16th



- 1. Please choose an ornament and purchase the requested item.
- 2. If your item does not indicate whether to wrap the gift or to leave it unwrapped, please leave the gift *UNWRAPPED*.
- 3. Please attach the ornament/tag you received to the wrapped/unwrapped gift.
- 4. Bring your giving tree donations back to the St. Joseph's Giving Tree or the Parish Center. The last day of our collection is Monday December 16th
- 5. If you have any questions regarding the Giving Tree, please contact Deacon Steve at 965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

"No Room at the Inn?" An Advent Posada: A Journey of Immigrants

Saturday, December 14, 2013 7:00 - 8:30 pm St. Mary Parish, Seattle

Originating in Latin America, the Posada is a festival of Advent that dramatizes the search of Joseph and Mary for lodging. In many ways, the story of the Holy Family finding "no room at the inn" is the story of the immigrant. Step more fully into Advent and into a deeper reflection on and experience of immigration by joining the Ignatian Spirituality Center and St. Mary's Parish in praying this bilingual Posada of song, scripture, stories from recent immigrants, and processions to nearby homes. All are welcome!

Free will offering. For more info or to RSVP, contact Andrea Fontana, Program Coordinator, at (206) 329-4824 or andrea@ignatiancenter.org.



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Sharon in her recovery from brain surgery . . . For Monica and Pat's health . . . For our service men and women abroad who protect us, Lord protect them . . .



For direction in the journey to be travelled today and tomorrow . . . For those who are feeling out of sorts, may they see God's majesty in our winter sunrises and sunsets; enjoy a smile and laughter; know their Father's deep love for each of them.

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."

~ Mother Teresa

R.I.P.

Remember in your prayers, Rick Boyle's mother, Patricia

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them."

RCIA Sponsors Needed

We have about six people currently participating in the RCIA process who are in need of a sponsor. A sponsor is a faith companion who accompanies the RCIA participant in their journey towards full initiation in the Catholic Faith. The commitment is some Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30pm, being available to accompany RCIA participant at Sunday mass and participation in 2-3 Liturgies and being available to get together and answer questions. Sponsors begin in December and finish up in May.

This is a very rewarding way to share your faith with someone and help welcome them into the community. For more information, contact Deacon Steve at 965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

Baptism for Older Children

If you have a child four years of age and older whom you would like to be baptized into the Catholic Faith, Our first gathering for parents and children will be **Monday**, **December 16th**, **6:00 pm - 7:30 pm** in the Parish Center beginning with a potluck supper. The plan is to meet monthly (Dec-April) with family catechesis at home between sessions. For more information contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

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

Prayer Shawl Ministry up and running

On November 7th and December 5th we gathered in the Arupe room for our first two prayer shawl meetings. Father John prayed with us about the importance of our work in making prayer shawls for those in need of healing. After prayer, refreshments and conversation, we set about knitting our shawls and enjoying getting to know one another better. Our next gathering will be Thursday, January 9th in the parish center. The plan is to meet the first Thursday of each month unless holidays/ vacation times conflict. Please consider joining at any time if you are interested. As a few are doing, if you cannot attend the gatherings, you are more than welcome to work on a shawl at home. When the shawls are finished, they will be blessed by Father John and given to someone in need. If you have any questions and or need help getting started on a shawl, please contact Jennifer Rothmeyer at jenniferrothmeyer@hotmail.com

Yarn donations needed- If you would like to donate yarn towards this effort it would be greatly appreciated. Worsted and bulky yarns are best and yarn that can be washed. Please drop donations at the parish center. Thank you



PSBC Blood Drive

The Holiday Season is always a difficult time to collect enough blood. This year it is particularly difficult. Christmas and New Year's both fall on Wednesdays (our biggest collection day) and we will be closed. Additionally, the days before and after these holidays will be lightly attended as people will opt to take more time off. Overall our capacity during this month will be reduced by almost 20% but the usage from the hospitals we support remains the same. We will still need over 16,000 people to donate blood. Just last week, Swedish Hospital notified us that in one day they had 5 open heart surgeries and needed a very large order of various blood products of different types. They later notified us athat all 5 patients were making magnificent recoveries.

Even during the holidays, the demand for blood components is continuous: patients are still undergoing surgeries, ER's are treating traumatic injuries, people are receiving treatments for cancer or blood disorders, and surgeons are performing organ transplants. All of these people and their families depend on the blood supply to be there.

Our "December Give Red Campaign" is our plan to make sure we have enough donors to meet the needs of our community. The success of the campaign relies on our dedicated donors making the commitment now to give between December 1st and January 5th. Every donor will make the difference.

For questions regarding medical eligibility or travel restrictions, contact the Puget Sound Blood Center's Eligibility Specialists at clinicalprogram@psbc.org or call 1-800-DONATE-1, ext. 2543.

Monday, December 9th at St Joseph's Parish 1:00-7:00pm (Closed from 3:00-4:00) Sign up early with Renee Leet: rleet@stjosephparish.org



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Participate in the Survey Answer the Pope's Call

In asking the bishops of the world to listen to the ordinary women and men of the Church, in calling you and me and every other member of St. Joseph Parish to put our two-cents in about the issues to be addressed at the upcoming Synod, Pope Francis is signaling something quite radical: the Church begins with us.

This huge institution, which seems so far away, up the great ladder of hierarchy and across the sea in Rome, begins with the experience of God in the heart and life of individual men and women of faith, who are brought together by the love of Christ Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit.

In this call, Francis reminds us of the words of the Second Vatican Council: "All the faithful scattered throughout the world are in communion with each other in the Holy Spirit so that 'he who dwells in Rome knows those in most distant parts to be his members'" (Lumen Gentium, 13).

And in a way more profound and amazing than most of us have experienced, 'he who dwells in Rome' is clearly interested and enriched by the experience of you and me.

To answer the summons of the Pope in the short time available, dioceses and parishes around the world have sought various methods and tools.

At St. Joseph, we will offer two venues of response: a written survey, and a forum.

The forum will occur at the St. Joseph Parish Center on:

Thursday, December 12 at 7:00 pm

The survey is also available at our website www.stjosephparish.org

Individuals are encouraged to respond to the survey questions, and to include reflections as requested. All are asked to respond prayerfully and honestly, with hearts open to the the movement of the Spirit in your own life and in the life of the community of the Church that you know. May God give us wisdom and insight, and so bless the Church with our reflections. Please also fill out the personal inventory at the end of the survey with as much information as you're comfortable sharing.

"The Singing Thing" Weekly Reflections on the music at St. Joseph



Next weekend our Choir-In-Residence, Choral Arts, will present their annual concert of Christmas music following the 5:30 mass on Sunday Dec. 15th. This is a concert designed to delight, inspire and relax the listener during this most enchanting (and stressful!) of seasons. A short, on hour concert of exquisite choral music with no applause so that you can just close your eyes and relax. As was the case last year, I will be accompanying them on classical guitar. Suggested donation is \$18 for seniors and \$23 for adults...pay what you can. Students are ALWAYS FREE! Also, this year we will have a simple supper in the Arrupe Room following the 5:30 mass so parishioners attending the mass can stay on site and have a bite to eat and then attend the concert.

MEMBERS OF THE SAINT JOSEPH CHOIR

Thomas Boehling — My wife, Karen, and I first walked into St. Joseph's in September 2012. We were new to the Northwest and I wanted to find a church where we would feel comfortable and if it had a good music program, I'd perhaps start singing again in a choir. Well, the first thing I noticed was how great the music was. Then, the announcement that men were needed in the choir. It was fate. Theater and music has been a huge part of my life since I was little. The gift of song is one of God's greatest creations and has helped me through my toughest times. I am so grateful to share this gift with you through my new choral family, and reciprocate the love and joy St. Joe's has shown us since we first stepped through the doors. Thank you for welcoming us into your home. Now, let's sing!





Don Murphy - Participating in liturgy has always been important to me. Liturgy is a gathering of a community to share with each other in praise and thanksgiving that God loves us, that we can love. We all have talents, some dance, some read well, some are very inviting, some can share the Eucharist with love and mercy. I can sing, and I love to share it with our community, to help the community enjoy singing as much as I do. I've been singing in church choirs since 5th grade, from soprano to alto to bass to baritone to low tenor. Add to that cantoring, even directing choirs. And when my voice finally gives out, maybe I'll learn clarinet.

Loni Tipton - In the late 1970's , after a ten year hiatus from the Catholic Church, I found myself living on Capitol Hill with this beautiful church and its music. I would say music brought me back to the church, and the community I have found here keeps me here. I've been either singing in the choir and/or a church member ever since. In my professional life, I started out studying language acquisition with hearing impaired infants and their parents, but somehow I've ended up for the past 18 years working on various cancer studies at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center. In my personal life, I am an avid lover of all art forms, and have studied classical voice and composition, writing and acting.





Community

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam Concert Series

Choral Arts with Bob McCaffery-Lent, Director of Music and Liturgy

Christmas with Choral Arts
Sunday, December 15, 2013, 7:30 pm

Choral Arts' signature program, Christmas with Choral Arts, is our gift to you during this holiday season. An hour-long concert of uninterrupted music with interludes played by classical guitarist Bob McCaffery-Lent provides a reflective and peaceful experience. Escape the hustle and bustle of this hectic time of year and let Choral Arts fill your soul with our unique collage concert including chant, traditional carol settings, unaccompanied choral favorites, and new works.

"When the brief audience sing-along ended and Choral Arts' final song faded into silence, the audience drew itself up for a standing ovation. What a gift, that perfect little hour of music." - Seattle Times

For more information about this concert, visit www.choral-arts.org.

St Joseph's Almost Boomers Christmas Caroling Party

Single? Married? Single again? Married again? If you are a St. Joseph's Parishioner 45-75ish you are an Almost Boomer. Please join us for Caroling and good food and company.



Sunday December 15th, 6:00 PM

The party is graciously hosted by Mary Beth & Dick Gemperle at 1116 15th Ave East. Please bring a hearty appetizer or dessert, and beverages to share.

For information or to help, call Mary Beth at 325-0784 or Carolyn Baker at 324-3695

Seniors On the Go

- Thursday, December 12th Senior Outing to Molbak's and Flower World with Lunch at the Maltby Cafe. Parishbus leaves St. Joe's at 10:00 am return around 4:00 pm.
- Tuesday, December 17th Seniors Monthly Potluck, 6 pm in the Social Hall. Call Mary Ott 206-324-7459 or Dolores Dorn 206-322-2259 for details.

MOMS Group Holiday Potluck Brunch

Please join the MOMS Group for a casual Holiday Potluck Brunch on Wednesday, Dec 11th from 10 am to noon in the St. Joseph Parish Center. Bring your favorite dish to share with others. All are welcome, even if you haven't attended sessions in the past. It will be a great opportunity to relax and socialize during this hectic time of year! On-site childcare is available with advance notice, so please contact Lori Schwebel at (206)948-7804 or laschwebel@aol.com. Cheers!

St. Martin de Porres

Monday Hamburger Delivery Drivers Needed

Every Monday, a St. Joseph parishioner delivers hamburgers from the Capitol Hill Dick's Drive-In to the St. Martin de Porres Men's Shelter (in SODO) for their 6 pm dinner. We need one new driver to deliver every 3rd Monday of the month and one or two volunteers that could be flexible back ups. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Beth Carman at kiki.wondercar@gmail.com



The Journey To Bethlehem

An Advent Day of Recollection & Reconciliation

Saturday, 14 December 2013 * St. Joseph Parish * 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

A chance for quiet reflection, with points for prayer offered on the hour.

Individual Sacramental Reconciliation
Offered Continually.
Come for a few minutes or the whole time!

