The Presentation of the Lord February 2, 2014

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

Readings for February 9, 2014

First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

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 Monday-Thursday - 8 am - 4:30 pm Saturday - 9 am - 1 pm www.stjosephparish.org Parish Receptionist (206) 324-2522

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Welcome Sister Parish Delegation

We are delighted to share that a delegation from our Sister Parish of San Bartolome in Arcatao, El Salvador will visit our community for one week beginning next Tuesday, February 4th. We hope you embrace this rare opportunity to meet delegation members, discuss our similarities and differences, and better understand the political and spiritual dimensions of life in El Salvador. None of these travelers have ever been to the United States and we hope that you will find time to meet and greet them.

Rosa has been the glue of our Sister Parish relationship for over 20 years. She and her family lived thru the horrific civil war in El Salvador including living for months at a time in the mountains to escape the military. Rosa is the person who coordinates all our delegation visits to El Salvador. She has recently opened a museum in Arcatao to tell the story of the war. She is a walking example of faith, hope and perseverance.

Vincenta is a member of the sister parish committee but lives and teaches in a neighboring town of Carasca. We are excited to have Vincenta come up and spend most of her time in our school. Vicenta's smile and life of service is an inspiration.

Maria is the young woman who was in the video we showed at all the Masses last Fall to raise funds for the Sister Parish Scholarship Fund. Maria returned to Arcatao after finishing college and is working as a Counsellor as well as Youth Minister. She is the future of El Salvador and her enthusiasm is contagious.

Join us for conversation and dessert!
Thursday February 6th
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Parish Center
Dessert and beverages will be served.

If you are unable to join us, please introduce yourself to Rosa, Vincenta and Maria before or after Masses the weekend of February 8/9.

In 1989, St. Joseph's Parish was invited to visit our sister parish as a symbol of solidarity during their civil war. Now we are approaching our 25th Anniversary of being in this relationship. It has never been primarily about money. It has been about a shared faith and the value of learning from one another. It has been about accompaniment and creating together a future full of hope. We are grateful for our many parishioners who have been involved with our sister parish over the years, as well as for parish & school families who have generously opened their homes for our guests during the visit.

If you'd like to help with this visit, please consider:

- 1. Donating or lending women's clothes for the visit. Our guests are sizes 8-9 and 9-10 for pants and medium shirts.
- 2. Making a donation to pay for the cost of plane tickets.

If you have any questions about the delegation or how you can get involved, please call Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjo-sephparish.org

Thanksgiving for a Real Person

Human being—walking
in doubt from childhood on: walking
a ledge of slippery stone in the world's woods
deep-layered with wet leaves—rich or sad: on one
side of the path, ecstasy, on the other
dull grief.

-Denise Levertov-

I have been wondering recently what it must be like to be Patrick Stewart.

I have been wondering this because it seems amazing to me that—no matter what else he does in his life, no matter how well he performs Waiting for Godot, no matter how many sequels are made in the X-Men series, no matter how often he stands up against domestic violence or steps up to support victims of post-traumatic stress disorder—the first words of his obituary will almost inevitably read: "Patrick Stewart, who played Jean-Luc Picard on Star Trek: The Next Generation. . ."

There is something tragic about this inevitability, but also something in it that is characteristic of our culture and, perhaps, even of our human nature. We like to reduce people to a single moment, to a simple impenetrable image, that allows us to define them, to capture them, to make a claim that we understand them—at least enough to put them in one of those compartments we keep in our brains: e.g., hero or villain, victim or perpetrator, black hat or white. And once we have placed someone in one compartment or another, how often we shape all other experiences, all new information, so as to reinforce that image we hold. Thus, concluding that someone is proud, we see all actions of humility as false and manipulative; concluding that someone is kind, we see all anger as indicative of weariness or sorrow. Our desire for easy answers leads us to look for that "defining moment," by which all other moments can be judged, and once we have in place our image of a person, inertia creates a reluctance to change our minds.

Sometimes, of course, we are forced to reevaluate; but often this results not in a more complete understanding of the person, but in a mere reversal of our previous opinion—as we make some new event the "defining moment." How hard it can be to escape such categorizing, to allow ourselves to see in anyone—let alone in a public figure—the fullness of her humanity, the complex beauty of which we are all comprised. Yet, failing to do so, we sin against the person, reducing their humanity and stealing from them that piece of divinity which is God's life within them.

In recent weeks, as events at Eastside Catholic have unfolded, I have been tempted—like many, it seems—to reduce people to one dimension, to see them not as complex individuals doing their best in challenging times, but as caricatures: the good guys or the bad guys, the sinners or the saints. While such reductionism makes judgment easier and allows for a simpler narrative, there is something sinful in it, something unworthy of the people involved and of the wonderful school at the center of this moment. Everyone involved in the controversy at Eastside has, I believe, longed for a just and humane solution, longed to create a community that reflects what is both true and faithful to Catholic social teaching and to the women and men who founded and staff this great institution. In recognizing this common desire, we need not retreat from our own principles (discernment is built upon conflicting senses of the good), but we must, simultaneously, acknowledge the loss and suffering that this conflict brings to good and generous people.

Regardless of how one feels about these last few weeks at Eastside Catholic, the resignation of Sr. Mary Tracy, SNJM, is a moment of profound sadness and loss. Few people have given themselves as whole-heartedly, with as much love, passion, and zeal to the cause of Catholic education as has Sr. Mary. At Holy Names Academy, in her work with the National Catholic Education Association, in her support of the Friends of Seattle-Mombassa Schools, and in her tenure at Eastside, Sr. Mary has sought always to raise the eyes of young women and men to the grace of God revealed in the world and in themselves.

Likewise, through her commitment to education, she has sought to serve the mission of the Church, and to be faithful, as God gave her the grace and wisdom to discern where fidelity lay. Indeed, she has shaped, by her example and her words, the very women and men whose desire for justice has led them to oppose her decisions in this current debate—and I wonder if she is not a little proud that these students have, themselves, sought to be faithful to those consciences formed, at least in part, by their time at Eastside. Thus, even if we accept the necessity of her resignation at this time (an act which, again, shows her self-sacrificing love for the good of the school), we must also regret that it has occurred, and give thanks for the entirety of her life, which so transcends any single moment or any one decision.

May God bless Sr. Mary Tracy, bless Eastside Catholic, bless our local Church, and bless us all as we seek to discern God's will with hearts and minds open to the beautiful complexity of this world.

John &





WHAT: Baseball sign ups

WHO: 5th to 8th grade boys

WHEN: Registration ends Feb 7th

Sign up: http://www.stjosephsea.org/baseball

Fee: \$65 (hats sold separately for \$11)

QUESTIONS?

Contact Nick Rekydal - <u>nreykdal@stjosephsea.org</u>





Immersions in Ignatian Prayer: Experience Ignatian prayer this Lent & Easter

5 Tuesdays - Feb 25, Mar 11, Mar 25, Apr 8, Apr 22, 2014 6:30-8:45 pm | St. Joseph Church

February 25: Prayer: A Sacred Conversation (incl. Lectio Divina) with John Hickman

March 11: Examen: Finding God in Your Life with Tim Malone

March 25: Igniting the Imagination in Prayer with Carla Orlando

April 8: An Embodied Encounter with God: Applying all the Senses in Prayer with Joseph Carver, SJ

April 22: Deepening Your Prayer: Following God's Love in your Life (incl. the Contemplatio) with Lisa Dennison

This Lent and Easter, immerse yourself in an experience of Ignatian prayer! On Tuesday evenings biweekly during these holy seasons, you are invited to learn about and experience a unique form of Ignatian prayer. Evenings will include Opening Prayer, a presentation and experience of the prayer form, followed by small group reflection and sharing about the experience of prayer. Whether you are new to or experienced in Ignatian spirituality, these evenings are wonderful opportunities to engage in prayer practices to integrate into your daily life and prayer. Participants may attend individual evening sessions or journey with a small group throughout the whole series.

Cost: \$90 for the series of 5 evenings; \$20 for each individual evening.

For more information, contact Andrea Fontana, Program Coordinator at (206) 329-4824 or andrea@ignatiancenter.org or visit www.ignatiancenter.org

Heart to Heart: Connecting Art, Creativity and Spirituality

Friday, February 14, 2014 | 10:00 am - 3:00 pm St. Joseph Parish Center, Seattle Mickey McGrath & Carla Orlando, presenting

Join Bro. Mickey McGrath and Carla Orlando as they help us explore the connections between art and faith. Bro. Mickey and Carla will engage the artist within each of us through scripture and prayer, teaching simple art exercises with shapes, and introducing the ancient tool of mandala. Though this workshop is geared toward spiritual directors, it is open to all - please join us!

Cost: \$40 in advance, \$50 at the door. For more information, contact Carolyn Hickman at carolyn@ignatiancenter.org or 206.329.4824 or visit www.ignatiancenter.org

Ignatian Spirituality Center

In the Steps of Ignatius: Ignatian Spirituality for Men

Please join us for prayer, inspiration and fellowship on **Saturday, February 8th** from 8:30 - 11:30 am at the St Joseph Parish Center, Arrupe Room. Our animator for the day will be Joe Orlando, Director of the Office of Jesuit Mission and Identity at Seattle University. The title of his reflection will be, "Seeing the Face of God in our Relationships." Joe will reflect on God's presence in a broad range of relationships (e.g. father, spouse, brother, cousin, colleague) using the lens of the four movements of the Spiritual Exercises.

We will gather at 8:30 and the program will begin at 9:00. Included in the morning are: Joe's presentation, prayer, individual reflection and small and large group discussion. All men are welcome. For more information, please contact Vince Herberholt at vherberholt3@comcast.net or 206-491-4486.



Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction Class

Modeled on the internationally known Stress Reduction Clinic at UMass Medical School, this experiential class will introduce you to mindfulness practices which will help you to develop more resiliency to the stressors in your life.

The class consists largely of heavily guided mindfulness practices such as gentle yoga and meditation as well as participant sharing of their experiences as they incorporate the practices into their daily life.

Class Instructor: Kathy Heffernan, MAPS, BCC

Dates: Four consecutive Thursday evenings, February 20-March 13th, 6:30-9:00. Also includes a half-day mindfulness retreat on Saturday, March 8th, from 9:30-2 pm.

Location: Northwest Hospital in North Seattle

Cost: \$200

Space is very limited. Please call class instructor at 206-920-4791 to register.

Seattle University Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture

The Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture invites you to save the date for the winter lecture of the 4th Annual Catholic Heritage Lectures: Catholicism in a Religiously Plural World.

José Casanova, Ph.D.

"The Church in a Global Pluralistic World: Challenges and Opportunities"

February 13, 2014, 7:00 pm

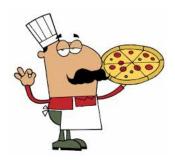
Pigott Auditorium - Free & Open to the Public

José Casanova, Ph.D., is one of the world's top scholars in the sociology of religion and is a professor at Georgetown University.

In his lecture, Casanova will explore the challenges and opportunities globalization and secularization present to the Catholic Church as it helps humanity move, in the words of Pope Francis, "from the globalization of indifference to the globalization of fraternity."

Family Mass & Dinner Dance Party

February 8th at the 5:00 pm Mass please come and listen to the St. Joseph Children's Choir.



After Mass, join us for pizza, pasta, salad, bread, beverages, & dessert. \$10.00 for the first adult, \$5.00 for each additional family member.

DJ, dancing, facepainting and a graffiti wall for entertainment. Don't miss out on all the fun! RSVP to cff@ stjosephparish.org.

All are welcome (reminder to CFF 1 & 2 families: participation in this event is part of your formation program).

Volunteers are needed! This is an easy way to fulfill your volunteer commitment! To volunteer please contact Cristina Murphy at mattcrismurphy@yahoo.com

VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO PAY IN ADVANCE!

Hosted by the PAB & Parish.

St. Joseph Women's Ministry Group

Invites you to coffee meet up! Saturday Feb 15 at 10 am. Local coffee cafe. Limited to 10 persons.

Contact Sheila Marie at smarie49@comcast.net or 206.251.7035.



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: In thanksgiving from recent surgery – all has gone well in recovery . . . For those who are hurting, we pray for them . . . Catholic Schools Week has been a wonderful success and we are blessed at St.



Joseph School for its principals, staff, teachers and students . . . For discernment in making choices for change . . . To learn to appreciate one another and be encouraging.

"Call to me and I will answer you; I will tell to you things great beyond reach of your knowledge."

~ Jeremiah 33:3

RIP

For Eddie Fay Robinson, sister of Fritzi Taylor, who died recently.

"May perpetual light shine upon her."

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

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.

Peace Days for Women

"Living the Beatitudes" led by Sister Mary Thorne, CSJP

Wednesday, February 12th from 9:30 am - 2:00 pm St. Mary-on-the-Lake Peace and Spirituality Center, 1663 Killarney Way, Bellevue, WA 98004

Free-will offering. Bring a sack lunch, coffee and tea provided. We encourage you to carpool. To register or for more information contact Diane Figaro at 425-635-3603 or e-mail peace@csjp-olp.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.

Parish Holy Hour

Thusday, February 6th, 7- 8 pm, join the Choose Life Ministry for a Rosary with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, in the Loyola Chapel of the Parish Center. All are welcome!

"What will save the world? My answer is prayer. What we need is for every Parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer."

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament...will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth."

-Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Choose Life Ministry Meeting

Sunday, February 2nd, 7 pm, at Jackie Quinn's house. 918 18th Ave E. All are welcome! For information or questions on either of the above meetings, call Jackie Quinn, 206-324-1780, Tom Cannon, 206-322-4819, or Mary Ott, 206-324-7459.



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND!

Catholic Hospital Ministry at Harborview Medical Center

Volunteers are needed to bring Holy Communion and provide a presence to patients and their families at Harborview Hospital. Volunteers must complete all necessary paperwork, background checks, personal interviews and Orientation/Training sessions. Time expectation is once a week - 3-4 hour shift, plus bimonthly check-in gatherings. There is lots of flexibility in regards to specific day/time. There will be a training session for new ministers, so please contact Steve by Feb 20 if you would like to participate at 206-965-1646 or email at stevew@stjosephparish.org

Confirmation Help Needed

February 22nd after the 5 pm Mass, we will have a reception for all our newly confirmed and their families. Looking for help serving cake and coffee. Please contact Dottie dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652.

Day of Contemplative Prayer - for Women and Men

Led by Kathleen Pruitt, CSJP & Kwan Wong, Oblate OSB Cam.

Saturday, February 15, 2014 from 9:00 am - 12:00

St. Mary-on-the-Lake Chapel, 1663 Killarney Way, Bellevue, WA 98004 If you are coming for the first time to Contemplative Prayer, please arrive at 8:30 am for an introduction. Free-will offering. To register or for more information, contact Diane Figaro at 425-635-3603 or e-mail peace@csjp-olp.org

Seniors On the Go

- Wednesday, February 12th Movie Showing, 1-3:30pm, Arrupe Room in the Parish Center. Join us to watch *Lincoln*. Bring a snack to share!
- Friday, February 7 Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.



WOLF and KETTLE

Wolf & Kettle is a group for men learning more about the Jesuits. Our next meeting is 8pm, Wednesday, Feb. 5th at Arrupe Jesuit House, 924 E Cherry St.

For more info or to RSVP, email Fr. Glen at gbutter-worth@stjosephparish.org

Neighbors In Need, Can You Help?

Homeless young adults in our neighborhood need boot socks and sleeping bags. If you can help please email or call Fr. Glen at gbutterworth@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1643.



"Called to Love"

Sister Cathy Beckley, SNJM

February 6th

Sister Cathy has a heart for the poor and a gift of connecting with young adults on their spiritual journey. Come listen to Sister Cathy as she explores how God does not just call us to love our neighbor, but also to love ourselves.

Joe Cotton

February 13th

Joe Cotton has lived his life with a heart open to the needs of others by serving as a social worker for at-risk youth and an international volunteer for orphaned children in Nicaragua. Joe is currently the youth minister at St. James Cathedral and will talk about God's call for us to love others.

Fr. John Whitney, SJ

February 20th

The Pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Fr. John sees his current role as supporting a sacramental community while building bridges towards other cultures and communities. He will share with us about our call to love God.

6:30 Mass at Christ Our Hope 7:00 Theology on Tap at Kells 1902 2nd Ave 1916 Post Alley





January 13, 2014

REGISTER ONLINE ASAP!

Dear Advocate,

Please join us for Catholic Advocacy Day in Olympia on Friday, February 21st! Our theme is Proclaim Justice & Life for All! Our time together will include:

- Briefings on legislative issues and stories of how advocacy is making a difference
- Mass with Archbishop J. Peter Sartain
- **Appointments with legislators**

The purpose of Catholic Advocacy Day is to meet with our legislators to advocate for people who are poor and vulnerable. CAD is a day of relationship building with legislators and targeted advocacy based on Catholic Teaching and the current bills and budget matters being taken up by the legislature. The priority issues can change from year to year, depending on the bills that are currently before the legislature. The areas we will address with our legislators may include 1) economic justice, 2) housing, 3) access to health care, 4) child welfare, 5) life issues (abortion, assisted suicide, and death penalty), 6) environment, and 7) criminal justice.

We will assist in coordinating buses for the trip to Olympia. Bus locations will depend on registrations and departure times will depend on the bus locations. All bus departures will be early in the morning (6 am to 7:30 am depending on the location). We will provide confirmation emails approximately one week prior to CAD with detailed information about bus locations and departure times. At this time we anticipate stops at the following locations:

- BELLINGHAM/BURLINGTON/EVERETT
- **SEATTLE**
- **KIRKLAND**
- RENTON
- **TACOMA**
- **FEDERAL WAY**
- VANCOUVER/LONGVIEW/CHEHALIS

Don't forget to wear

RED!!

For those who travel on the buses, there will be an opportunity to review the information packet, have updates on the issues, and, of course, have fun and snacks! Additional benefits of traveling as a group include no parking at the Capitol and lessening our environmental footprint.

We schedule over 110 appointments with legislators. Everyone from the same district will meet together with the legislators. Even if you do not feel comfortable about speaking on an issue, your presence will be a witness of your concern and commitment.

In order to plan effectively (make legislative appointments, reserve buses and seats, etc.), we need to hear from you by February 1, whether you will be attending Catholic Advocacy Day. Click here to register online or call 206.328.5792 to register by phone if you do not have internet access.

Thank you for considering being with us for this collective and communal witness for justice on Catholic Advocacy Day. We will send you an e-mail confirmation/schedule the week before the event. Updates will also be available on these websites: www.ccsww.org, www.thewscc.org, www.ipjc.org.

Sr. Sharon Park, O.P.

Washington State Catholic Conference

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& Justice Center

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Catholic Advocacy Day is sponsored by:

Sister Parish Covenant

Covenant of Understanding: A brief summary of the five pillars of the Covenant:

- **Communication & Exchange**: The heart of the relationship is connection: in person, via e-mail, photos, and delegations from both parishes;
- **Education**: Finding ways to help educate our community on the struggles and challenges facing our brothers & sisters; conversely, we can assist their community through their youth scholarship, adult literacy programs, and other outlets.
- Advocacy & Consciousness Formation: Social action is at the heart of this relationship;
- **Projects**: Identifying and facilitating projects that improve the quality of life in the community;

• **Prayer**: Each community should seek to pray for each others' respective struggles and challenges.





