

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 23, 2014

Homily Next Week:
Father Glen Butterworth

Readings for March 2, 2014

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 49:14-15

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 4:1-5

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 6:24-34

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

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Lent at St. Joseph

It was regarded as a matter of course that a Christian should fast for various motives— to reinforce prayer, to do penance for sins, to save something for the poor, or even to prepare for a feast.

-Josef Jungmann

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

Wednesday, March 5th

All Masses will be held in the Church

7:00 AM Parish Mass

9:00 AM School Mass

7:00 PM Parish Mass

Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent from 11:00 am to 11:30 am, in the church.

Keeping The Light On

Reconciliation will be offered Friday evenings from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the church.

Novena of Grace 2014

“There is Something Greater Here”

Matt Barmore, Fr. Peter Ely, S.J. & Marilyn Nash, presenters

Wednesday, March 12 – Thursday, March 20, 2014

**Weekdays: 12:30 pm at Seattle University Chapel of St. Ignatius
and 7:00 pm at St. Joseph Church, Seattle**

**Saturday, March 15: 1:00 pm only at St. Joseph Church Sunday,
March 16: 1:00 pm only at Chapel of St. Ignatius**

Are you longing to find a meaningful connection to God in your busy schedule? Are you thirsting to hear spiritual wisdom relevant to your daily life? Are you uplifted by worshipping in community with others?

If so, enter more deeply into Lent this year by participating in the Novena of Grace, a meaningful nine-day “retreat in everyday life.”

For more information, contact (206)329-4824 or visit www.ignatiancenter.org. Sponsored by the Ignatian Spirituality Center.

Rides Available

St. Joseph's will provide rides to the 12:30pm weekday service of the Novena of Grace at the Chapel of St. Ignatius (March 12-20th) The bus will leave St. Joseph's Parish Center at 12 Noon.

**To reserve a seat on the bus please contact Renee at 324-2522
ext 100 or rleet@stjosephparish.org**

Confirmation: To Follow the Spirit

An authentic faith—which is never comfortable or completely personal—always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it. We love this magnificent planet on which God has put us, and we love the human family which dwells here, with all its tragedies and struggles, its hopes and aspirations, its strengths and weaknesses. The earth is our common home. . . the Church “cannot and must not remain on the sidelines in the fight for justice.”

-Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel-

This Saturday evening—when they are blessed by the hands of Bishop Eusebio and consecrated with sacred chrism—a group of young adults from St. Joseph, St. Patrick, and St. Therese parishes will assume their position as confirmed members of the Catholic community. In this transformational moment, they will affirm their choice of Jesus Christ, by entering anew into his death and resurrection, by receiving—as he did—the grace of the Holy Spirit, and by taking on his mission as priest, prophet, and king. As priests, it will be their duty to sanctify this community by their lives; as prophets, it will be their task to speak the truth, even when it is unpopular; and as kings or queens, it will be their mission to love all God’s people with a self-emptying love that will lead them, inevitably, to share in the cross of Christ. In the reception of this sacrament, surrounded by joy and filled with the peace that only the Spirit can provide, our daughters and sons will rise from the waters of their baptism, as Jesus rose from the Jordan, and become—we pray—women and men who are led by the Spirit, and who, in that Spirit, will lead the Church in its pilgrim path to God. Such is the nature of this Sacrament; and, fortunately for us, such, too, is the nature of these young people.

At this point in my essay, I had intended to speak of the history and theology surrounding the Sacrament of Confirmation—e.g., how it became separated from Baptism in the western Church, how it grew to become a sacrament associated with adulthood, how its graces are seen as emblematic of the public ministry of Christ, etc. But, then, as so often happens, the experience of the gospel overwhelmed the beauty of my theories, and I was invited to witness a living example of the grace of Confirmation, more inspired than any explanation I could devise.

On Tuesday, in a federal courtroom in Nashville, Tennessee, Sr. Megan Gillespie Rice, an 84-year-old member of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus, was sentenced to nearly three years in prison for breaking into a nuclear weapons facility in Oak Ridge. With two other “accomplices,” this senior Sister cut through three fences to reach a storage facility, where they spread blood and wrote messages on the wall, such as, “The fruit of justice is peace.” When security personnel finally arrived (2 hours after the break-in began), they found Sr. Rice and her companions singing, and were offered the chance to break bread with them. Instead, the protestors were taken into custody, where they have been

during the last 9 months. In sentencing Sr. Rice, the federal judge said that he hoped her particularly harsh sentence would dissuade others from following her example. Although her lawyers had sought to have her released on time already served, Sr. Rice herself asked for no leniency, so as to give total witness to what she considers an immoral and (under international law) illegal stockpiling of nuclear weapons carried on by the United States government.

Sr. Rice is not the first religious to be sentenced to prison for trespassing on governmental facilities in protest of nuclear weapons. Fr. Bill Bichsel, S.J., did 3 months in federal prison in Oregon for a similar protest. Likewise, several others—both religious and lay—have been sentenced to jail in such non-violent, albeit moderately destructive, protests. But the sentence of 3 years upon an 84 year old religious who committed no violence, and poses no threat to the public safety (indeed, some say her ability to penetrate the facility, and so demonstrate its weakness is a public service) seems, to many people, excessive. And to impose this sentence, not as a proportionate reparation for her particular actions, but as a means of deterring others seems fundamentally unjust.

And yet, to Sr. Megan Rice, the sentence, and the possibility of remaining in prison for the rest of her life is, as she said to the judge, “the greatest gift you could give me.”

This was not a response born of madness or dementia, just a sign of what can happen when the seeds of Confirmation really take root.

Though I have stood at the gates of the Bangor Nuclear Submarine Base, I have never felt called to be arrested. I have never chained myself to anything in protest against war, nor committed civil disobedience at the School of the Americas. Yet, with Sr. Megan Rice, and with so many others—from Rosa Parks to Mohandas Gandhi, from Martin Luther King to Nelson Mandela, from the Marchers for Life in Olympia to the students at Eastside Catholic—I seek to discern the call of justice and the passionate compassion that is indicative of the Holy Spirit. This is the essence of Confirmation; it is the essence of our faith: an authentic desire for the good, pursued with joy and humble courage, by whatever means each person is called. Though it need not lead to prison (though it may), such a quest for justice will always lead to the cross, and to the resurrection, because it is what the Spirit of God—discerned in the context of Scripture and prayer—drives us to do.

This Saturday, we will not ask God to give our children an easy life nor a comfortable one. Rather, we shall ask for fire and wind, for discernment and the strength to live as women and men of faith. Wisdom, understanding, counsel, knowledge, reverence, wonder, and courage—these are the gifts of the Holy Spirit with which we ask God to bless our daughters and sons, and through them to bless our Church and our world. Let’s hold onto our hats when our prayers are answered.





Community

Festive Feelings, Fabulous Food ALMOST BOOMERS MARDI GRAS PARTY

Sunday, March 2, 5:00 pm – 8 pm
St. Joseph Parish Center, Arrupe Room

Think New Orleans, yummy southern food, Cajun, Creole or just good vittles. Mardi Gras victuals, e.g. Bubba Gump shrimp, Louisiana jambalaya, Creole fixins', red beans and dirty rice, Big salads galore, spicy Gumbo, just about anything with sweet potatoes, garlic, tomatoes, onions, even okra, sausage, hot or mild. Let your imaginations go wild...

Share your most famous dish with us all.....



As always, bring your own drinks and something to share. Beer, wine, Hurricane drinks (if you know what they are. We don't!)

See you there! Any questions or if you can help, please call Carolyn (206) 324-3695.

Peace Days for Women

"The Call to Release the Spirit!"

led by Sister Sheila Lemieux, CSJP

Wednesday, March 19, 2014
from 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

at 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

Pope Francis and the Future of the Church "The Joy of the Gospel: A Place for Everyone"

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 | 7:00-8:30 pm
St. Joseph Church, Seattle

Featuring speaker Mark Bosco, S.J. & panelists Pastor
Patrinell "Pat" Wright, Maria Ochoa & Kevin Foy

Pope Francis has taken the world by storm since his election last March. What is it about this Pope that has captured the imaginations of people around the world? How do the life experiences of Jorge Mario Bergoglio influence the papacy of Francis? What does the election of Pope Francis mean for the future of the church and the world?

Presenter Mark Bosco, S.J. will address these questions and many more on Wednesday, February 26, 2014 beginning at 7:00 pm at St. Joseph Church in Seattle. Fr. Bosco, Associate Professor of Theology and English and Director of the Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage at Loyola University Chicago, has commented for several major media outlets and given numerous talks on Pope Francis since his election. Following Fr. Bosco's presentation, a panel of local leaders will share their own thoughts on the Pope and his influence in the world and in their lives. Pastor Patrinell "Pat" Wright, Maria Ochoa, and Kevin Foy will each bring their own life experiences to bear on their reflections: Pastor Wright as a Protestant minister, Maria as a Jesuit-educated young adult, and Kevin as coordinator of mission education efforts for Maryknoll.

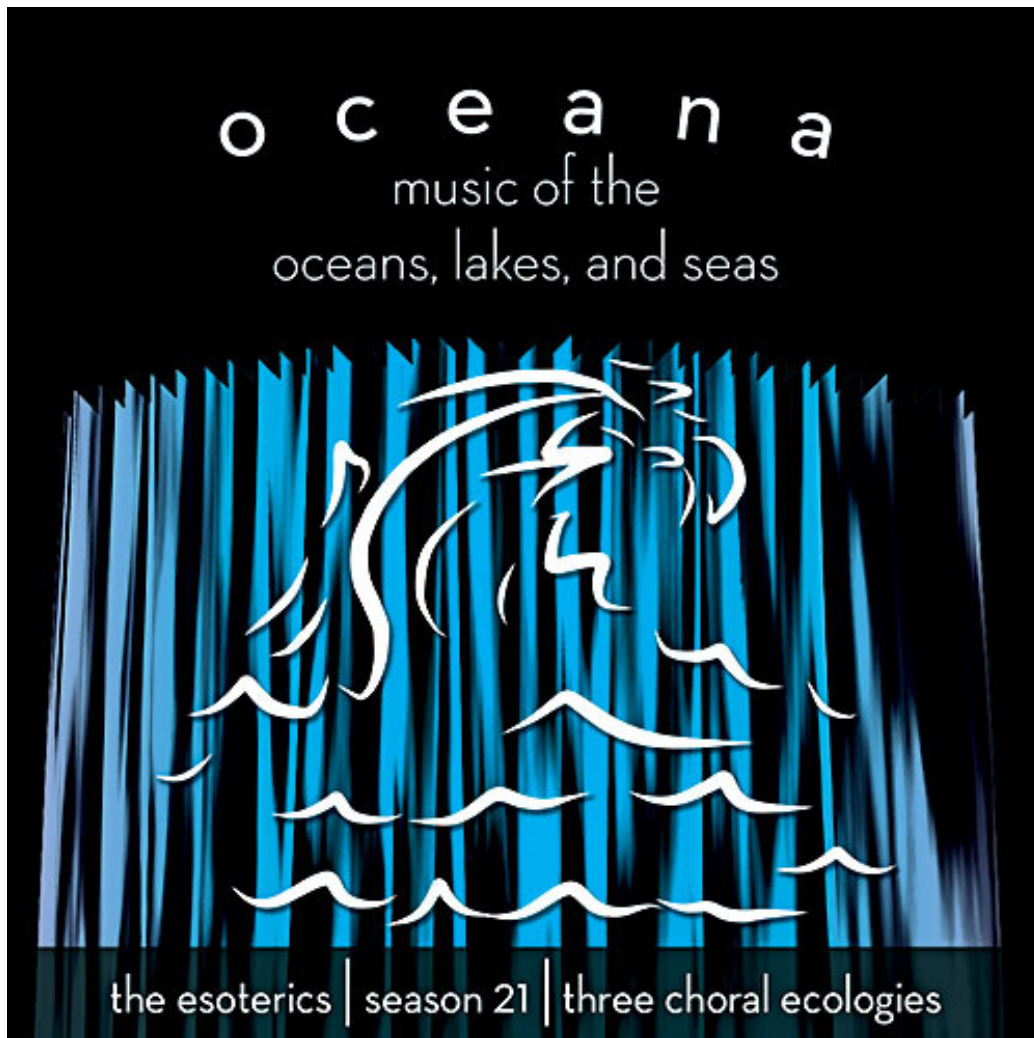
Please join us for what promises to be an engaging, enlightening, and enlivening evening of prayer, conversation and reflection!

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



Community

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam Concert Series



The Esoterics sets sail in to its third decade, inspired by songs about the open water. Opening our twenty-first season is *OCEANA: music of the oceans, lakes and seas*. This concert will be the first in a series of three “choral ecologies” that feature music about three components of the Earth’s biosphere: the ocean, the forest, and the atmosphere. In *OCEANA*, The Esoterics bring to the concert stage four modern works whose texts are narratives of our relationship with the most abundant natural resource on our planet.

Sunday, March 8th, 8 pm
St. Joseph Catholic church

Tickets are available at the door or online at www.TheEsoterics.org



Social Ministry

Hospitality Team Needs Help

Our 2nd Sunday of the month hospitality team needs some additional members. Please consider joining this valuable ministry. The Sunday hospitality teams contribute immeasurably to make St. Joseph a welcoming and joyful place. Please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652 to join this vital ministry.

Agape 2014

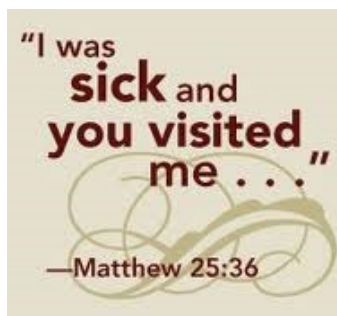
We will have an Agape Summer Service 2014 information meeting for interested 5th thru 8th graders and parents on **Sunday, March 2 at 12:15 pm** in the Parish Center. Agape is a one week long service trip in Whatcom County and run through Western Washington University. This year's trip will begin Sunday, August 3rd thru Friday afternoon, August 8th. We are always looking for adult chaperones! Please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org

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 bi-monthly 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 if you would like to participate at 206-965-1646 or email at stevew@stjosephparish.org.

*This is a vital & important
Catholic Ministry that
needs your support!*



Justice Conversation

Magis at Seattle U invites graduates of Jesuit universities to participate in the Justice Conversation with author and managing editor of America Magazine, Kerry Weber on Thursday, February 27th. Kerry will share from her recent book, *Mercy in the City*, and will dialogue with Jesuit alumni about how to put service and justice into practice in everyday life. To register and for more info, please pick up a flyer in the Narthex.

Labor of Love Auction

February 22-March 2

A unique online auction to raise money for abused, neglected, at-risk and foster children served by Catholic Community Services in the greater Seattle area.

Register Now: Go to www.laborofloveauction.org to view our catalog of unique items, including authentic pizza party for 20, Sounders, Mariners and Husky football tickets, glassybaby, jewelry, handmade treasures, food, services, local getaways and much more.

Sponsored by the Association for
Catholic Childhood
Caring and Advocacy since 1918.



Volunteer Needed

We need someone willing to work Monday mornings from about 9 to 11 am to sort and box the food donated to St. Francis house from the weekend masses. Please call or email Mary Ott if you are interested in helping, 206-324-7459 or ottjm4@gmail.com

PSBC Blood Drive

Thank you so much for making it work for us to have our blood drive at St Joseph's on President's Day! Of all of the blood drives we had that day, on the holiday, yours brought in the most donors! We had 28 registered donors and collected 26 units of blood, which will positively impact the lives of up to 78 local patients over the next week or so. I really do appreciate your support.

Next blood drive April 14th!



Prayer

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Tami Carol's successful surgery and recovery . . . For Lyle who is very ill, we pray for his comfort on his journey . . . For Jean's health and well being . . . For Cindy balancing her work load and health issues . . . For Cathy who is healing from back surgery . . . For Cooki's medical treatments to make her better . . . For peace throughout the world.



Rest in Peace

For George Turk, husband of Jean and father of Catherine, who passed away in January.

For Tom Connor, husband of Judith, who recently passed away.

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

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.



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.

Immersion 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 - Located in the Church

March 11: Examen: Finding God in Your Life with Tim Malone - Located in the Brebeuf room

March 25: Igniting the Imagination in Prayer with Carla Orlando - Located in the Church

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

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

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. 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



Community

Seniors On the Go

- **Friday, February 28** - Seniors outing to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Visitor Center. Group tour begins at 11:00 am (lasts 60 minutes). Mini-Bus Leaves St. Joe's at 10:30 am. Group will go out to lunch following tour. To register contact Renee at 324-2522 or Deacon Steve 965-1646

- **Friday, March 7** - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.

*Please join us for
Stations of the Cross before the
Anointing Mass begins at 11:00 am.*



Rides Available To Novena Of Grace

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Jubilee Women's Center's Mardi Gras Party & Auction

**FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2014, 7-10PM
AT WITHIN SODO – 2916 UTAH AVE S, SEATTLE**

Enjoy Cajun-inspired hors d'oeuvres, local wine & beer, and games!

Located next to St. Joseph's, Jubilee provides housing, classes and support services to help low-income women in our community.

Purchase tickets and learn more at jwcenter.org

Volunteers Needed For Seniors Resource Fair

Volunteers needed as greeters and serving refreshments 11am to 3pm in the Parish Social Hall. For information contact Deacon Steve at 965-1646 or stevew@st-josephparish.org

Girl Scout Cookies!!! February 24th - 28th

Support St. Joseph Girl Scout Troops and buy cookies for \$4.00 per box. Cookies will be sold after school in the prayer garden.

**Monday - 4th Grade Girl Scouts
Tuesday - 5th Grade Girl Scouts
Thursday - 2nd Grade Brownies
Friday - 3rd Grade Brownies**

Stock up on cookies for lunches, snacks, or the Friday ski bus! You can also donate boxes to Operation Cookie Drop or Mary's Place, a local shelter for homeless women and children. Half of the proceeds from 5th grade sales will be going to Tree House, an organization that supports foster children.



Beginning next Sunday, March 2 there will be Girl Scout troops selling cookies at coffee and donuts. Next week is a 5th grade GS troop. The following weekend's are 4th grade troops.

JOIN US

RESOURCE FAIR FOR SENIORS

St. Joseph's Parish Hall

732 18th Ave E. Seattle, WA 98112

Saturday, March 8th 11 am - 3 pm

Free admission. Raffle Prizes. Free parking.

Meet Your Local Resources:

- *Aegis on Madison
- *Hearing Speech & Deafness Center
- *Senior Services
- *Alzheimer's Association
- *Meredith Mathews YMCA
- *Fedelta Care Solutions
- *Seattle Parks & Rec. - Lifelong Recreation
- *Infinity Rehabilitation
- *Pacific Medical Center
- *Jewish Family Service
- *Benevia - Senior Transitions
- *Northwest Care Managers
- *Fred Lind Manor
- *AARP - Fraud Protection
- *Allied Health Advocates
- *Gentiva Home Health
- *Veteran's Assistance - Attorney, Nikki Leith
- *SRES Realtor, Amy Greenberg
- *Alzheimer's Services Coalition
- *Gaffney House
- *Choice Advisory Services
- *Dignity Memorial

Featuring presentations on downsizing, legal documents, and 10 signs of dementia. Call Joan for speaker schedule: 206-325-1600. Free blood pressure checks and health screenings by Pacific Medical. Proudly sponsored by:

Aegis Living
on Madison

2200 E Madison Street
Seattle, WA 98112
(206) 325-1600



Confirmation

Confirmandi 2014

Pictured on Cover

First Row: Helen Johnson, Max Nelson, Joe Nelson, Maddie McReynolds, Angelo DeLaurentis & Patrick Boyle,

Second Row: Sean Henderson-Murphy, Daniel Bryan, Colin Eschweiler, George Prentice, Kaitlin Cappetto & Sara Snowden

Third Row: Calli Liffing, Sean Nevin, Ana Delucchi, Bryce Goldsen, Madeline Klineman, Emma Delucchi

Fourth Row: James Ferrese, Chloe Bridwell, Fletcher Woodruff, Meghan Zech, Freya Helton & Michael Breshock

Fifth Row: Charlie Phelps & Lauren Holderman

Not pictured: Katie Fallon, Sydney Moody Dearn, Connor Duffy & Kate Maher

St. Therese: Cameron McIver, Antonina Valiere, Christopher Adams & Charles Ralston

St. Patrick: Patrick Saturay, Henry Ivester & Logan Wentland

Thank You

Thank you to Bishop Eusabio Elizondo MSpS, Pastor John D. Whitney, S.J., Fr. Glen Butterworth, S.J., Fr. Pat Clark, Deacon Greg McNabb & Deacon Matthew Pyc, S.J.

Thank you to the reception crew of Angela Kleinsasser, Theresa Jeannot, Matthew Zech and SJS 8th grade volunteers.

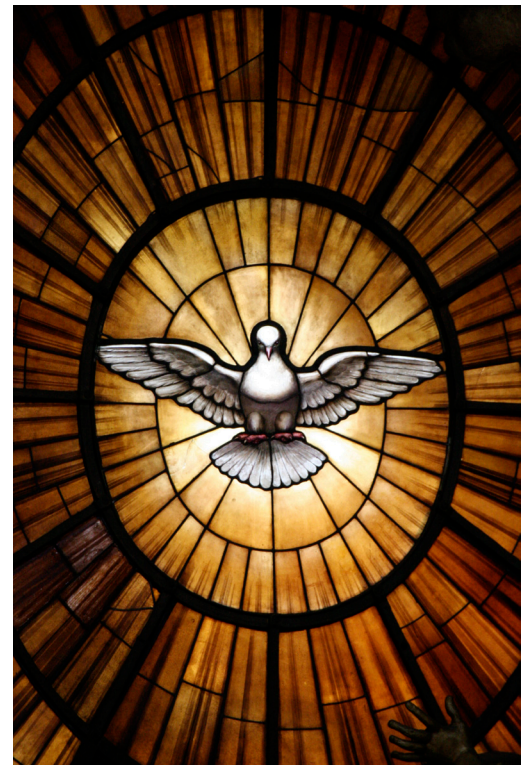
We are also happy to have the youth and families from St. Therese's and St. Patrick's.

And a special thanks to all the adults who have provided guidance, love and support to these youth. Parents are a key participant in the formation of their children, and this showed through the care and sincerity each youth brought throughout the immediate preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Also, thanks to the Confirmandi's sponsors. These adults who have been praying for these youth will continue to be important role models in the lives of our newly Confirmed.

***Holy breathing of God,
I feel You stirring.
Warmed by this breath, good things start to grow.
Even in strong, wealthy lands
fresh, mobilizing calls evoke planetary piety,
winning the hearts and the hands of the caring:
each in her chosen path,
each with a special gift,
take their stand
to create a world more fit for living,
more just and more humane.***

~Dom Helder Camara





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Excerpts from Pope Francis' Message to the General Assembly of the Pontifical Academy for Life

At the root of any discrimination and exclusion there is, however, an anthropological question: how much is man worth and upon what does one base this value of his? Health is certainly an important value, yet it does not determine a person's value. Furthermore, health is not in and of itself a guarantee of happiness—this is verified even in the event of unstable health. The fullness toward which all human life is oriented is not in contradiction with any condition of illness and suffering. Hence, the lack of health or the fact of one's disability are never valid reasons for exclusion or, and what is worse, the elimination of persons. The gravest deprivation experienced by the aged is not the weakening of one's physical body, nor the disability that may result from this. Rather, it is the abandonment, exclusion and deprivation of love.

A society is truly open to life when it recognizes that life is precious even in the elderly population, in the disabled, and even in those who are gravely ill or in the process of dying. When society affirms that the call to the realization of one's humanity does not exclude suffering, and instead teaches how to see sick and suffering persons as gifts for the entire community, whose presence calls everyone to solidarity and responsibility, only then may this society call itself open to life. This is the Gospel of life that, by your scientific and professional endeavors and sustained by Grace, you are each called to spread.

