

*THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT*  
**March 23, 2014**

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

**Readings for March 30, 2014**

FIRST READING: 1 SAMUEL 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 5:8-14

GOSPEL: JOHN 9:1-41

**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

*Lent is a call to weep for what we could have been  
 and are not. Lent is the grace to grieve for what we  
 should have done and did not. Lent is the opportunity  
 to change what we ought to change but have not.  
 Lent is not about penance. Lent is about becoming,  
 doing and changing whatever it is that is blocking the  
 fullness of life in us right now.*

*Lent is a summons to live anew*

*~Sister Joan Chittister, OSB*

*"The formidable power that forgiveness exercises in our lives  
 enables us to acknowledge that the decisions of human life,  
 even when they turn out badly,  
 are not above repair."*

*-Doris Donnelly-*

## Come & Receive the Light That is Offered

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**EVERY FRIDAY: 7 MARCH - 11 APRIL**  
**6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**  
*Individual reception of the sacrament.*

**EVERY SATURDAY: 8 MARCH - 13 APRIL**  
**3:30 - 4:30 PM, ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**  
*Individual reception of the sacrament.*

**SATURDAY: 29 MARCH**  
**10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**  
*Parish Reconciliation Retreat:  
 On the Road to Jerusalem  
 Points for prayer, every hour on the half hour.  
 Individual reception of the sacrament.*

**HOLY WEEK**  
**HOLY THURSDAY: 17 APRIL**  
**4:00 - 6:00 PM, ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**  
*Individual celebration of the sacrament,  
 prior to the celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper.*

**GOOD FRIDAY: 18 APRIL**  
**12:00 NOON - 2:00 PM, ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**  
*Individual celebration of the sacrament,  
 followed by the Stations of the Cross.*

*Remember: you may always call for an individual appointment for the sacrament.  
 Reconciliation will not be available on Saturday, 19 April.*



ST. JOSEPH PARISH  
 THE DESERT PARISH IN SEATTLE

## In a Season of Joy

It has been a hard week—and, as I write this, it is only Tuesday. This morning, Russia voted to annex the Crimea from Ukraine, as voices from the Sudetenland in the 1930's echo over Europe. In Syria, the various powers—government and rebel, Iran and Hezbollah, Saudi Arabia and the West—continue to bicker, while bombs fall on refugees who wander, broken and bloodied, into exile. Meanwhile, in the South Pacific, the search for Malaysia Airlines flight 370 grows increasingly hopeless, and families weep more intensely for their uncertainty. While in our country, the divisions of rich and poor widen, as new accusations of laziness and retorts of callousness block all true care for those in need. Even in our Archdiocese—in a Church already wounded by so many tragic violations of trust—a terrible, widening financial fraud wreaks havoc on the trust of employees and volunteers, who must now check their income tax records and be increasingly vigilant on all accounts for years to come. Then, as I walk into my office, word comes of a tragic and fatal helicopter crash near the Space Needle.

There are days when the arc of history seems bent towards destruction; when the notion that God has plans for us that include fullness and hope seems the worst kind of deception—a deception that causes us to reach for water, only to find our mouths filled with sand. At such a time, Lent can seem the perfect season: begun, as it is, with ashes on our head and a reminder of our mortality, and concluding, as it will, with the crucifixion of an innocent man.

But, the wonderful irony of Lent is that it is not a time of despair, but a time of hope; that, at its heart, this season proclaims a message of joy to us, and not a message of defeat. For, even as we set our face towards Jerusalem and towards the cross of Calvary, we do so because we experience a love that will not let us go, a love that is the source of our hope even in darkness, even in the midst of all our troubles.

The joy of Lent is not the joy of Madison Avenue or Disney. Far from seeing the world through rose-colored glasses, as though every day was filled with sunshine and lollipops, Lent invites us to a more profound sense of joy, one that embraces the hardships and struggles of the world but is never overcome by them. The joy of Lent comes in fasting, which shows us that we are not controlled by the things we crave. It comes in sacrifice, which reveals our ability to give to others out of our substance and not simply out of our surplus. And it comes in prayer, which opens us up to a God who never abandons us, who never forsakes us, who never ceases to create and re-create the world at every moment, so that we might find a path to wholeness and a sense of

holiness. The joy of Lent is the joy of fulfillment, not of avoidance; the joy of becoming human, and of deepening our humanity.

As each Sunday in this season shows, Lent calls us to a joy that lives at the very center of our frail, struggling hearts. The joy of Lent is the joy of the person, stricken by addiction, who manages to banish the temptation—at least for today. It is the joy of finding something more powerful than fear in God; finding a love that raises us from the ground. It is the joy that comes when hope, welling up within us as a spring, finally helps us believe that we are not condemned, but missioned to something beyond ourselves. It is the joy that comes on the edge of death, when we are thankful for all the life we have received and trust that, even in our sorrow, we shall never truly lose that friend for whom we weep. It is the joy that comes in the midst of disaster, when we feel the power of a love that is stronger than death, that will not be conquered by despair. This is not giddiness or merriment, but spiritual joy and consolation that comes in our awareness of the presence of God and the power of God's choice of us.

None of this, of course, excuses the evil in the world nor erases its effects. The sins committed in Syria and Ukraine, the sorrow of flight 370 and the KOMO helicopter crash, the frustration and malfeasance of the financial fraud: all of these are true, and all wound us and wound our world. But Lent reminds us that such evil and sorrow are not the last word, and need not control us. Indeed, Lent calls us to realize that the small things of the world ultimately reveal a deeper truth, a more profound revolution in the order of creation than all the sorrows splashed across the headlines.

For it is on the edges of the empire, not at its center, that the message of love gradually breaks out; in a backwater, among unimportant people, that the Son of God proclaims a message of grace and mercy to those who had thought themselves forgotten. Likewise, the joy of Lent comes gradually—not in the moments the world thinks are important, but in small gifts of fasting, generosity, and prayer. It comes when we fast from our need to do something “vital” and, instead, spend an hour playing soccer with a child. It comes when we take time, that we think we do not have, to make sandwiches for Martin de Porres, or when we give a couple of those hours to help serve. The joy that transforms the world comes when we open our hearts to God and hear, at last, that we—each one of us—is the beloved daughter or son in whom our God is well pleased. Such small movements will not suddenly make every hard week easy, but—like Lent itself—they are the beginning, the first steps towards making gentle the world, the first steps towards resurrection.







# Lent at St. Joseph

## Stations of the Cross

Please join us on Fridays during Lent from  
11:00 am to 11:30 am,  
in the church.

## The Origin of the Way of the Cross

The devotion known as the *Way of the Cross* (or, sometimes, *Stations of the Cross*) began in Jerusalem, during the late 3rd or early 4th century, AD. As the Church became officially recongnized, devotion to the places of Christ's suffering and death led many on pilgrimage to Jerusalem-including Helena, mother of the Emperor Constantine. In Jerusalem, the sites were used for instruction and inspiration, and the pilgrims who visited bought what they found back to their own countries, influencing worship and theology throughout Europe.

Because a pilgrimage to Jerusalem was, for most people, impossible, in the 5th century, St. Petronius, Bishop of Bologna, had chapels desinged at the monastery of Santo Stefano to recall the most important shrines of Jerusalem. At this monastery, the faithful could recall the suffering and death of Jesus and imagine themselves in the Holy Land. This is the earliest expression of stations in Europe.

Following the Crusades, pilgrimage to Jerusalem again became popular, and from the 12th century it appears that a journey along the *Via Sacra* (the *Holy Road*) was common for pilgrims, though stations as we know them were not yet established. The Franciscan monks, given care for the holy places in 1342, established the *Via Dolorosa* (*Way of Sorrow*), and then brought the devotion to Europe in the 15th and 16th centuries.

In 1686, Pope Innocent XI gave the Franciscans the right to establish stations within their churches, a right later given to all churches. Over the years, the 14 stations, now considered traditional, were created as a type of miniature pilgrimage that all could take, especially in Lent



*Lent comes to us as a providential time to change course, to recover the ability to react to the reality of evil which always challenges us. Lent is to be lived as a time of conversion, as a time of renewal for individuals and communities, by drawing close to God and by trustfully adhering to the Gospel. In this way, it also allows us to look with new eyes at our brothers and sisters and their needs. That is why Lent is a favourable time to convert to the love of God and neighbour; a love that knows how to make its own the Lord's attitude of gratuitousness and mercy — who "became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich" (cf. 2 Cor 8:9). In meditating on the central mysteries of the Faith, the Passion, Cross and Resurrection of Christ, we shall realize that the immeasurable gift of the Redemption has been granted to us through God's free initiative*

~Pope Francis

## Mass For The Special Needs Community

Archbishop J. Peter Sartain invites us all to celebrate a Mass for our special needs community, including families, friends and our faith communities.

Saturday - April 5, 2014, 11:00 am  
St. James Cathedral, - Seattle

Reception to follow in the Isaac Orr Conference Center

For more information, please contact: Erica Cohen Moore (206) 382-4852.

## The Passion According to St. Luke

The moving, live production performed by Leonardo Defilippis, will be presented at Our Lady of Guadalupe in the Parish Life Center & Gym in Seattle on Friday, March 28 at 7:00 pm. Come experience the profound power of Christ's Passion in this drama which promises to be a perfect Lenten opportunity, allowing the power of the Word of God to penetrate the heart of each individual audience member. The program runs one hour and is suitable for all ages. Admission will be a free-will offering. For additional information, contact Helen Oesterle at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Office at 206-935-0358, [heleno@olgseattle.org](mailto:heleno@olgseattle.org), or visit [www.olgseattle.org](http://www.olgseattle.org). Watch the trailer & learn more at [www.ThePassionDrama.com](http://www.ThePassionDrama.com)



# Prayer

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: Happy Birthday to Catherine LaCugna who becomes 90 years young . . . For our seniors who enrich our lives with their presence and wisdom . . . Well being and comfort for Tricia, Maureen, Ann, Michael, Jim and Scott . . . For those who are seeking healing - physically, or spiritually or emotionally. . . For those who are looking for employment . . . For the Syrian refugees . . . For those who have faced disappointment or a deep hurt . . . Keep your eyes focused on the transformation that God wants to do in your heart.



*"Love prospers when fault is forgiven, but dwelling on it separates close friends."*

~ Proverbs 17:9

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

## Immersion in Ignatian Prayer: Experience Ignatian prayer this Lent & Easter

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

**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

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](mailto:andrea@ignatiancenter.org) or visit [www.ignatiancenter.org](http://www.ignatiancenter.org)

## In the Steps of Ignatius: Ignatian Spirituality for Men

Rich in What Matters to God: Faith & Finance

Saturday, April 12, 2014, 8:30 - 11:30 am,  
St. Bridget Parish, Seattle  
John Hickman, presenting

Men of all ages and faith backgrounds are invited to come together for this large group offering of Ignatian spirituality especially for men. Faith enables us to find God in all things, but even in money? Money can be an opportunity to know God's presence or an obstacle to experiencing God's grace. St. Ignatius offers exercises to become "Rich in what matters to God." Join us for a morning of reflection on these exercises and our own relationship to money in our lives.

For more info or to RSVP, contact Andrea Fontana at [andrea@ignatiancenter.org](mailto:andrea@ignatiancenter.org) or 206.329.4824. [www.ignatiancenter.org](http://www.ignatiancenter.org)

## Annual Peronteau Retreat

Tuesday, March 25th, 9:30 am  
Campion Chapel at Seattle University

Retreat led by Fr. Glen Butterworth, S.J.

RSVP to Diane Sweeney 206-898-8906 or [swenster@gmail.com](mailto:swenster@gmail.com). Free will offering will be taken, parking avail in garage off of James St. (same as auction).





# Community

## Archdiocese Of Seattle Action Alerts-Tax Fraud Scam

From: Greg Magnoni, Director of Communications

This information is provided to supervisory personnel and ministry leaders of the Archdiocese of Seattle who supervise employees or volunteers that may be victimized by tax identity fraud.

The archdiocese is deeply concerned about reports that employees and volunteers have become victims of national tax identity fraud and recognize how difficult this situation can be for everyone.

### Actions taken to date

After learning of the problem:

- We immediately notified the IRS and FBI and hired a private security firm to investigate.
- We took immediate steps to inform employees, volunteers and the public.
- A tax fraud resource site was created on our archdiocesan website to provide information about steps that can be taken.

### Steps being taken now

Current efforts are focused on identifying the source of the problem:

- The IRS, FBI and our private security firm are each investigating and cooperating with each other.
- We are making an effort to update the website with new information or resources appropriate for sharing.

### What we know

We know that some employees and volunteers of the archdiocese have been victims of tax identity fraud. We also know that tax identity fraud is a national problem that has apparently been going on for several years and is now impacting our community.

### What we don't know

We do not know the source of the problem. As a result, we cannot say whether the source originated from systems within the archdiocese — including parishes and schools — or systems of vendors or another outside source.

### Information and Resources

Please share this information with all employees and volunteers you supervise and monitor the archdiocesan website for additional information.

Provide the following information to all who inquire regarding this matter:

- Contact the IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit at 1-800-908-4490, Ext. 245 to determine if the tax identity of the inquiring person has been compromised.

Provide the following information to anyone whose tax identity has been compromised:

- Contact an IRS Special Agent at 206-464-4920.
- Follow instructions from the IRS representative, which may include contacting a credit reporting agency and making an identity theft report to the Federal Trade Commission.
- File a police report with the relevant local law enforcement agency.
- Send an email to [taxinformation@seattlearch.org](mailto:taxinformation@seattlearch.org) confirming that the person's tax identity has been compromised, including: full name, parish or school and status (e.g., as an employee or volunteer).

<http://www.seattlearchdiocese.org/Archdiocese/Action.aspx>

## The Father Daughter Dance 2014 Denim and Diamond Ball

Friday, April 11th  
7 pm - 10 pm  
St. Joseph Social Hall

Come in your sparkly splendor or easy jeans. Bring your dad, grandfather, uncle, or friend! For information or to volunteer, please email Jill Allen [allenjill@comcast.net](mailto:allenjill@comcast.net) or 206-250-0782 or David Day at [davidwday@comcast.net](mailto:davidwday@comcast.net)

Purchase your tickets TODAY in the Special Events Office. \$25 advance ticket sales (per couple) + \$10 each additional girl, \$30 at the door. Photos available at \$10 each.





# Community



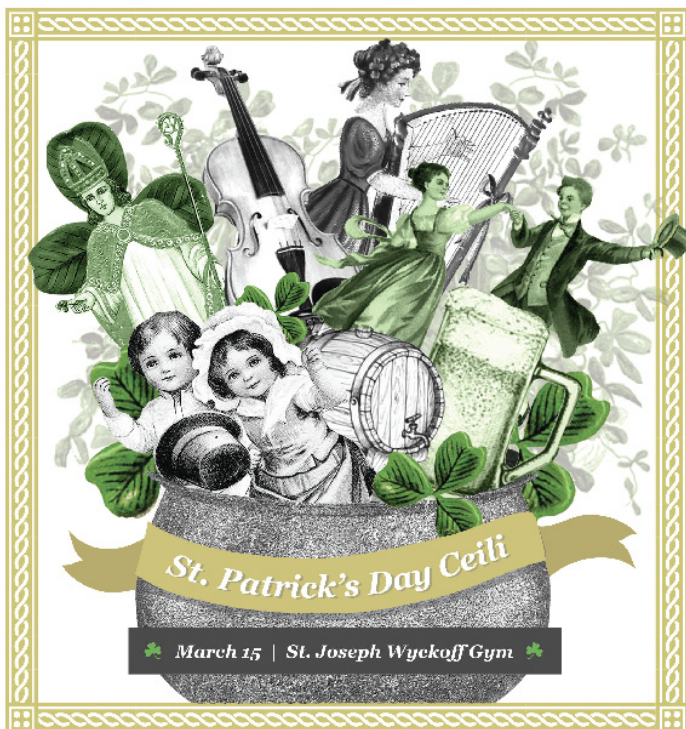
*"THE SINGING THING"*  
WEEKLY REFLECTIONS ON THE MUSIC WE  
USE AT ST JOSEPH'S  
~ROBERT McCAFFERY-LENT

## Ceili

### *Go raibh maith agaibh...Thank you all*

Last weekend's Ceili was a great time to gather with our community and celebrate! Thank you to all those who helped make the evening such a success! Thank you Moya Zaboukos, Kris Mulcahy, Colleen Battaglia, Sara Hogenson, Megan Schmidt, Peter Johnson, Mud McHugh & Classic Catering, Todd Paulson, Bob McCaffrey-Lent and the Mooncoyne band, the Tara Academy of Irish Dance, Dave & Andrea Toll, Erin Tobin, Dottie Farewell, Deacon Steve, the Pavlovec family, Mike Vila, Janet Walsh, Shawn Needham, Stacey Donahue, Joe Augustavo, James Waltz, Craig Nelson, Yuri Kondratyuk, Jorge Ferrer, Ava & Cleo, Libby M, Audrey D, Elliott & Rowan, Erin P, Audrey V, Kate S, Michael J, Archie V, Ted N, Sara S, Angelo & Roman D, Andrew C, Braedon W, Mr. Sauvage's class, Mr. McShane's class and Mr. Finn's class.

A very special thank-you to the Larsen, Sweeney, Hutchinson and Corrigan clans who started this tradition – you guys know how to throw a party! *Slainte*



## The Scrutinies

On the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent, we celebrate the Rite of Scrutiny. Now I'll grant that the notion of "celebrating" something called a "scrutiny" seems more than a little strange and perhaps pedantic in a particularly "churchy" way. In fact, since the early church, the "elect" - those preparing for baptism and full initiation into the Catholic community of faith at the Easter Vigil – have used the three great gospel stories on these three weekends as a source of inspiration and reflection on this last part of their journey - the home stretch of their preparation. The "Woman at the well," "the Man Born Blind" and the "Raising of Lazarus."

The scrutinies are "rites for self searching and repentance and have, above all, a spiritual purpose" according to the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. They are "meant to uncover all that is weak, defective or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out and strengthen all that is upright strong and good." It is important to note that the presence of the elect in our midst and the celebration of these rites renews, not only the elect, but the entire community. For all of us this Lenten season is a time for spiritual recollection and interior reflection in preparation for the celebration of the paschal mystery and helping us to know more fully Christ's presence in our lives. Since ours is a culture that neither favors nor fosters meditative quiet the act of interior listening is an art learned only with some difficulty and with practice.

As part of the rite of scrutiny, there is, of course, music. There is always music because it helps us to express our love and our faith on a deeper level than mere words. The brief refrain is tailored to the particular gospel theme for that day: "We thirst for living water," "We search for light in darkness" and "We long to rise to new life." In between each repetition of the refrain the cantor sings the prayers of intercession and, as the cantor raises their arm to invite the response of the assembly, it's important that the elect hear our voices to know of our care and support for them! As St. Augustine says: "Singing is for the one who loves." By its very nature music has both an individual and a communal dimension. In a sense it is very personal but if music does not "sound" then it is not music, is it? Thus it is no wonder that singing together in church expresses so well the sacramental presence of God to God's people.

Let us sing together!

# BRAHMS

*Ein Deutsches Requiem with piano, four-hands*

*friday*  
**MARCH 28**

pre-concert  
conversation  
**7:30pm**

concert  
**8:00pm**

St. Joseph Parish  
732 18th Avenue East | Seattle

Tickets & Program  
Information  
[www.choral-arts.org](http://www.choral-arts.org)



## *Tender Throughout*

Choral Arts' captivating pure sound gives delicate and personal voice to this intimate version of what is perhaps Brahms's most personal work. This exquisite version of his Requiem allows Brahms's craftsmanship to shine through with clarity, exposing layers of nuance rarely heard. Wrap yourself in the profoundly intimate experience this chamber version offers.

### *Robert Bode, Conductor*

Featuring Lee Thompson & Melissa Loehnig, *piano*

Kimberly Giordano, *soprano*

Charles Robert Stephens, *baritone*

### *Brahms Symposium: open to the public*

Saturday, March 29th, Choral Arts will co-sponsor a Brahms Symposium on the performance of Brahms's music, along with University of Washington School of Music. Lectures are free and open to the public. Master classes may be audited for a fee. For more information, please visit [www.choral-arts.org](http://www.choral-arts.org)

# Agape Service Project

## St. Joseph August 3-8<sup>th</sup>

### 2014



***Sponsored by Newman Catholic Campus Ministry***

***Contact Dottie Farewell at [dfarewell@stjosephparish.org](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org) TODAY!!***

**WHO:** current 5<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> graders are eligible to apply. \*10 hours of service may be used toward your 8<sup>th</sup> graders required 20 hours for the 2014-15 school year.

**WHEN:** Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> thru Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be two organizational meetings in advance of the trip and a blessing at the 9:30am mass on Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**WHERE:** we begin and end at St. Joseph Parish, Seattle. The program is held in Whatcom County: we stay at Sacred Heart Parish in Fairhaven, WA; farms and food bank are in Lynden, WA.

**HOW & HOW MUCH:** transportation provided by parish bus & private car; total cost is \$195.





# Community

## St. Joseph MOM'S Group

Growing Your Spiritual Garden

Three Wednesday Mornings; March 26, April 9 and 16

9:30-11 am, coffee & check-in begins at 9 am

St. Joseph Parish Center - Main Floor

Childcare available (advanced notice required)

Cost: \$25 or \$30 including childcare (scholarships available)

Come deepen your Lenten experience through this series using gardening as a metaphor for the unfolding of the Pascal Mystery.

Over the course of our 3 weeks together, we'll explore the steps of designing, building, and tending our uniquely personal spiritual gardens while being mindful of Christ's message of salvation. Our mornings will include prayers, quiet reflection and group sharing.

To reserve your place, please contact Lori Schwebel at [laschwebel@aol.com](mailto:laschwebel@aol.com) or 206.948.7804.

## Seniors On the Go

• **Thursday, March 27th** - Seniors Potluck, 6 pm in the Social Hall. Call Mary Ott 206-324-7459 or Dolores Dorn 206-322-2259 for details.

• **Friday, April 4** - 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.*

## We Are St. Joseph Service Days & Celebration Dinner

**MAY 16 & 17 2014**

If you would like to help plan both our service days as well as our celebration dinner, please join us for our planning meeting on Wednesday, April 2nd, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm in the Parish Center.

For more information, contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or [stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org)

## MOMS Group Annual Retreat

Please join us for our annual St. Joseph MOMS group retreat scheduled for Saturday, April 26 and Sunday April 27 at the Islandwood retreat center on Bainbridge Island. This overnight retreat will begin mid-day on Saturday and continue until around noon on Sunday. With our theme, The Play of Forgiveness & Power of Grace, we'll discover surprising ways to break down the walls that block our connection to ourselves, each other, and God. Our approach will include a lighthearted look and understanding and being ourselves. This enlightening workshop will be facilitated by Jennifer Manlowe (PhD, Mdiv), who is a dynamic author, spiritual director and vocal clarity coach.

Participants will stay in a cozy lodge amid natural surroundings at the Islandwood retreat center, just a short ferry ride from Seattle. The cost for a double occupancy room plus 3 meals, all your retreat materials, and our facilitator's time will be about \$205 per person (this cost could be reduced, if we have a large number of participants).

Interested? Please contact Lori Schwebel at [laschwebel@aol.com](mailto:laschwebel@aol.com) or at (206)948-7804 to reserve your spot or ask questions. Non-MOMS group attendees and non-parishioners are welcome, so feel free to invite your girlfriends, sisters or mothers. It's sure to be a fun and enriching experience for all who can make it!

## Parishioner Looking For Rental Home

Chris & Mary Karges, longtime and active members of St. Joseph Parish, are leaving their home of 20 years and need a long term rental. Their children are in college, a senior in HS and a freshman in HS. They are available to move ASAP.

If you can help:

Please contact Mary or Chris with any leads.  
206-860-5803

They are able to include project work as well as rent... they are VERY HANDY!!!

*The Road to Jerusalem*  
*Saturday, March 29th, 10 am*  
*A Time of Reconciliation & Renewal in Lent*

*This Lent, 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 Lent. On Saturday, March 29th, from 10 am until 1 pm, members of the Parish are invited to come and pray in the church around the theme of journeying to Jerusalem with Jesus.*



*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!*