

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 11, 2014

Homily Next Week:
Father Glen Butterworth, S.J.

Readings for May 18, 2014

FIRST READING: ACTS 6:1-7
SECOND READING: 1 PETER 2:4-9
GOSPEL: JOHN 14:1-12

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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A Prayer for the Grandparents' Tea

Give glory to God for the season of May,
The cool of the morning the warmth of the day,
The muscular clouds, as they ripple and rise,
And threaten with raindrops, or thunderous skies.

Give glory for colors and blossoms of red,
The white of the cherry, the pansies in bed,
The blue of the iris, the lilac in flower,
The pink on the mountain in evening's last hour.

Give glory, especially, for children's delight,
At the smell of the grass and the lengthening light,
For shouts on the playground some spring afternoon,
When teachers are smiling and dreaming of June.

And grandma and grandpa are waiting outside,
With smiles on their faces, all bursting with pride,
At the children their children have brought to the world,
The beautiful boy or the gifted young girl!

Praise grace at St. Joseph, which teaches the heart
That love and that kindness go with being smart.
And teaches that family is part of the grace
We get from the God who looks over this place!

Give glory and thanks for the graces all 'round,
From heights in the mountain, to depths in the Sound,
From the library basement to the top of the steeple,
Give thanks for St. Joseph and all of her people.

Give thanks to the God, the good giver above,
Who encircles our hearts with gifts of great love,
And calls us to thanks and calls us to laughter,
And will bless us both here and in the hereafter.

Amen.



For Emily, Wherever God May Find Her

Let the risen Jesus enter your life—welcome him as a friend, with trust: he is life!

If up till now you have kept him at a distance, step forward. He will receive you with open arms. If you are indifferent, take a risk; you won't be disappointed. If following him seems difficult, don't be afraid.

Trust him, be confident that he is close to you, he is with you, and he will give you the peace you are looking for and the strength to live as he would have you do.

-Pope Francis-

Emily Kirvin, the niece of my late beloved friend, Marilyn, is an amazing young woman—a student in high school, possessed of great poise and good sense, of athletic skill and wisdom beyond her years—who lives with her parents and her younger brother, Jack, near Las Vegas, Nevada. Recently, Em's mother, Brigitte, sent me an invitation to Emily's Confirmation—this coming Sunday, May 11. Unfortunately, since this date conflicts with St. Joseph's first communion weekend, I could not accept the invitation; and, yet, as I have prayed for her in the last couple of weeks, I have been filled with things that I want to tell her: about being Catholic; about finding hope; about passion and trust and betrayal and fidelity; about how hard I know it is, sometimes, to be to be a bright, faithful woman in the Catholic Church; about the amazing strength at the heart of our Church, and about its brokenness; and especially about my profound longing for her to say "Yes!" to being Catholic, in a way that changes her and changes us. In other words, what I want is to give her something I know only God can truly give her—a faith and love that will sustain her always, that will pour down upon her like the chrism of Confirmation, and will unite her, in a miraculous way, to this holy community of sinners who, through the love of Jesus Christ, are the Church.

Yet, even if I knew everything I *should* to tell Emily, I am not always certain I have the words to say it. I have, of course, the appropriate training to *teach* Emily about the Catholic Church. I can explain the various books of the Bible and the principles at the heart of the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed (I even know what "*consubstantial*" means). I know the history of the liturgy and the development of dogma, the fundamental precepts of Canon Law and a variety of the theories that ground our faith. I even know the mysteries of the rosary. Yet, I imagine many of these things Emily has already learned over the course of her life or over the months of classroom preparation for Confirmation; and while I know that they can be important and (if well-presented) even interesting, I also know that they form the "*stuff*" of the Church, and not its heart. And what I want to give Emily—insofar as I can—is my experience of that heart; so here goes. . .

My dear Emily, as you prepare to accept Confirmation in the Catholic Church, I have little to give you of great value. I don't know all the answers (though I pretend to, at times), and I can't get you in to see the Pope. Yet, what I do have, I give freely and with great love: my thanks and my prayers.

My thanks, of course, come primarily from your willingness to make this commitment, especially at a time when so many people are apathetic about organized religion or are heading for the exits—discouraged by the abuses of power, by the continuing culture of male-only authority, or by the unwillingness of some to open up the discussion of many vital issues. I know that the influence of your parents and of your Aunt Maggie may have something to do with your continuing trust and commitment, but I still thank you for your courage and your strength. In the end, the faith you accept and affirm will not be your parents' nor your friends', not the bishop's nor the Pope's: it must be yours, held in your heart and nourished by your relationship to Christ and his people. I am grateful that you have said 'Yes' to such a faith, and that your faith is part of this communion we share.

Which leads me to my prayer for you. For I am not praying that you will always be happy as a Catholic, nor that you will always find it a perfect fit. On the contrary, my prayer is that the Church will be a challenge to you—too spacious sometimes, too tight at others—and that you will be a challenge to the Church. I pray that you will work to make this community your own—bringing what you find in Church into the world, and what you find in the world back to the Church. I pray you will have perseverance, and an abiding sense that this Church is yours, and does not belong to the Pope, or to the clergy, or to anyone else, any more or less than it belongs to you. I pray that you will never let the sins of the institutional Church keep you from knowing its graces and its beauty; and that you will never let the foolishness of those who minister within the Church keep you from seeing the One who truly sustains it. I pray that you will find, in the ordering of the Church—in its sacraments and rituals, its traditions and teachings—an echo of the order and beauty you desire in your own life; and that you will find, especially in moments of challenge or trouble, that these rites bring you consolation and courage to continue on your journey.

I pray, especially, Emily, that you will find in the Church a community that raises you up and that calls you to raise them; a community that shows you the face of Jesus Christ: who chose Peter, though he knew he was a sinner, and loved Martha, though he knew she worried too much. Jesus Christ, who loves the poor with a passion that moves us to follow him, and embraces the outcast with a tenderness we all long to know. I pray that, in this Church, you will become the woman you are meant to be—and the woman I have seen you becoming, as you sat with your Aunt Maggie when she was so sick, and how you never backed away from supporting her and your family. In that moment, I saw Christ in you, and I found Christ through you. Thus, what I pray, at last, is that it will always be Jesus you see across the aisle and at the altar, in the community and, especially, in the mirror—the Jesus who loves you, and chose you, and challenges you with loving support to be his face and hands and heart in all the world.

John



Prayer

Sacred Silence

A time for silent prayer and peace

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: May we all enjoy the beauty of Spring and think about all that is worthy of praise in one another. Also, keep our Parish Family, Jubilee Women and all of our School Staff and Precious Children in our thoughts and Prayers.



For Marian, may she be blessed with strength and healing as she endures her Chemo-treatments. And for all who are in need of God's healing grace. Especially Robin, Donna, and Bob may their special prayer intentions be granted.

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

~ Philippians 4:8

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

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.



Focusing: An Embodied Way of Knowing

A Spiritual Direction Enrichment Day (open to all!)

Friday, May 16, 2014, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm,
St. Joseph Parish Center, Seattle,
Susan Dougherty, presenting

Focusing (BioSpirituality) is a process that invites & welcomes the body's deep wisdom. In this workshop we will practice some basic skills of Focusing, and integrate them with the Examen. Learning to attend to our inner movements of Consolation and Desolation in this richly embodied way can enhance our awareness of and responsiveness to God's "still, quiet voice" within us.

Cost: \$40 in advance, \$50 at the door. Register online at www.ignatiancenter.org or contact Carolyn Hickman for more info (carolyn@ignatiancenter.org, 206.329.4824).

Welcome The Newly Baptized



Oliver Clifford Burgess
Mercer Brooke Droz
William Brady Hintz
William Henry Lang
Madeline Ann Peterson
Samuel Reid Posakony
Charlotte Jewell Rolfe
Nicholas Christopher Rolfe
Zavier Jacob Ignacio Yoon

Prayer Opportunity

From now through the summer, the south doors of the church will remain open until 7:30 pm each day for personal prayer. Come in and sit and pray for a while!



Community

Seniors On The Go

- **Thursday, May 15th** - SENIORS Potluck Dinner at 6:00 pm in the Parish Social Hall.

- **Tuesday, May 20th** - Tour Of St James Cathedral followed by lunch at the Frye Museum. Meet at Parish Center at 10:30 am. *(Please note date change)*

- **Friday, June 6th** - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center. Join us for a barbeque with Father Jack O'Leary.



The 5th Annual Good Old Fashioned Lemonade Stand and Tomato Plant Sale at Fred Lind Manor

On Sunday, May 18th from 11AM - 3PM, you are invited to experience the charm of the good ol' days - stop by the classic lemonade stand and tomato plant sale just outside Fred Lind Manor, on the corner of 17th and Howell. Fred Lind Manor and Jones Creek Farms are teaming up to offer our neighbors some old-fashioned hospitality. Sip on a complimentary glass of strawberry lemonade while you pick out the perfect tomato start from a local selection of organically grown, heirloom tomato plants. Jones Creek Farms of Skagit Valley is renowned for cultivating healthy and sturdy tomato starts that do well in the Pacific Northwest climate. Fred Lind Manor is a non-profit retirement community that has been serving Capitol Hill for 69 years. 1802 17th Avenue, Seattle. 206.774.5387. www.fredlindmanor.com

Annulment Advocate

If you are seeking an annulment, contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at steve@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

Endowment for St. Joseph School Golf Tournament

Thursday, May 15, 2014
Newcastle Golf Club

St. Joseph families, friends and alumni are invited to attend. You can register as an individual and be matched up to play with people from the parish, parents from the same grade or a ladies group.

Registration for golfers and sponsorship opportunities are available here:
<http://www.stjosephsea.org/golf-tournament>.

For more information please contact Najat Cola at (206) 992-9125 or najat@colamg.com

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam Concert Series

Always Singing
Folk Songs from Around the World
Friday, May 16, 2014

7:30 pm pre-concert conversation | 8 pm concert

Join conductor Robert Bode and composer-in-residence John David Earnest at 7:30 pm for a pre-concert conversation designed to add a layer of depth by providing access to what shapes the music you will hear that evening.

The very heart and soul of a culture are reflected in its folk music. Join Choral Arts in this celebration of world folk music as interpreted by some of classical music's greatest composers. Immerse yourself in the captivating rhythms of "Gypsy Songs" by Brahms, the lush harmonies of "Chansons Francaises" by Francis Poulenc, the passion of South American folk songs by Carlos Chaves and Heitor Villa-Lobos, plus settings of the popular American folk songs "Shenandoah" by James Erb and "Clementine" by our composer-in-residence John David Earnest.

For more information visit www.choral-arts.org



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Dear Friend of St. Joseph,

"This Church with which we should be thinking is the home of all, not a small chapel that can only hold a small group of selected people."

With these words—and the actions that have surrounded them—Pope Francis offers a new vision to the Church, a vision grounded in the grace of Vatican II and in the humanity and holiness of St. John XXIII. ***We are the Church!*** And as the Church we are called to create a community of mutual support, tireless welcome, and shared responsibility. At St. Joseph, we try to live this call every day, and become leaven and light for our Archdiocese and all our sisters and brothers.

The Annual Catholic Appeal—in which the People of God at St. Joseph support the ministries and communities of the Archdiocese—is a crucial means by which we open the doors of the Church to others, and care for those who are part of this community. Our gifts to the ACA support Youth Programs and assist Senior Priests; they are investments in Lay Ecclesial Ministry and evangelical outreach; they help sustain the Sisters' Retirement Fund and multicultural ministries; they are the foundation of many good works done in the Chancery, and an important dimension of Catholic Community Services. Through this one gift, we sustain and build the Church as a home for all those who seek Christ.

This year, the St. Joseph Parish assessment for the ACA is \$153,391. A significant amount, reflective of the generosity already shown in this Parish. While it is important to note that ***if we do not raise this amount through the ACA campaign we must make up the difference through our ordinary income***, my hope is that this community will again show itself ready to help both the local and the larger Church. Our voice, so important to Catholics throughout this region, relies upon this willingness to act together.

If you gave to the ACA in the past, thank you! Last year, we managed to surpass our goal and so received back money that went both to the relief efforts in Syria and to our own Youth Ministry. ***This year, any monies raised beyond our goal will defray the cost of emergency kits for the church, and prepare us to be a resource and shelter in case of any regional disasters.***

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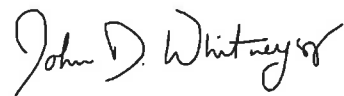
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The community of St. Joseph has been amazingly gracious in support of our mission, as well as supporting many other good causes—from Jesuit Refugee Services to relief for the victims of the Oso mudslide. In seeking your gift to the ACA, I invite you to prayerfully discern, by God's grace, what you are being asked to do, both for our Parish and for God's Church.

Blessings and hope,



John D. Whitney, S.J.

P.S. Aware that many in our community have been effected by the recent financial fraud in the Archdiocese, I want to note that—if you are worried about sending your gift directly to the Archdiocese—you may also support the ACA with a gift to St. Joseph Parish in lieu of a gift to the ACA. We will then send a single check, with these gifts, to the Archdiocese, with a letter explaining the reason. My strong desire is that you give, but also feel secure in your giving.

To make your ACA gift directly to the Seattle Archdiocese, please do so at <https://www.seattlearchdiocese.org/Stewardship/ACA/Donate.aspx>, or submit your completed ACA envelope during Mass.

To make your ACA gift through St. Joseph Parish, please do so at www.stjosephparish.org, or submit your gift during Mass (or to the Parish Center). Please be sure to include a note alerting us that you do not want your gift information shared with the Seattle Archdiocese.

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**YOUR ONE GIFT
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An Opportunity to Serve...An Invitation to Celebrate
We Are St. Joseph

Service Days

Friday, May 16th & Saturday May, 17th

Community Dinner

Saturday, May 17th, 6 pm, Social Hall

Register for service by May 12th
at www.stjosephparish.org



**Celebration includes: dinner, photo booth,
sing along & a magician!**

We Are St. Joseph Service Days

There are a variety of service opportunities for you and your family and friends to sign up for. Please note there are two service projects that welcome volunteers of all ages, so that children can contribute also!

The following descriptions can help you decide what service opportunities you would like to pursue.

Please sign up by visiting our website www.stjosephparish.org If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Steve at stevev@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

Friday, May 16th - 9:30 am – 3:30 pm Jubilee Women's Center

Spring cleaning in the yard.. cutting grass, weeding, preparing garden beds. Need 4-11 volunteers, ages 18 and older.

Dress comfortably and be prepared for the weather. Please bring a brown bag lunch. Bringing gardening tools optional but encouraged.

Friday, May 16th - 10:30 am – 2:30 pm Recovery Café

Volunteers will be asked to assist in light cleaning, organizing or gardening (depending on the weather) for the first 1-2 hours at Recovery Café. We then encourage volunteers to have lunch with our Members. Then volunteers will be asked to spend their final 1-2 hours at Recovery Café mingling with Members (playing games, talking, listening, etc.). Need 6-8 volunteers, ages 18 and older.

Volunteers should dress in casual/appropriate clothing.

Saturday, May 17th - 10:00 am – 2:00 pm Peace for the Streets by Kids from the Streets

Deep cleaning/organizing of interior and exterior of our homeless youth community center including bathrooms, kitchen, floors, walls, windows, simple maintenance, trash pickup, weeding, organizing storage and supply areas, etc. Need 8-20 volunteers, ages 14 and older.

Dress to get dirty. Bringing the following items encouraged: Cleaning tools and supplies (buckets, rags, mops, soap/cleaners, windex, paper towels etc.), basic toolbox, garbage bags, pickup to haul stuff to dump/goodwill, leaf blower, rakes, brooms, vacuum(s). Please bring a brown bag lunch.

Saturday, May 17th -10:00 am – 1:00 pm St. Francis House

Spring cleaning, painting, yard work, gardening. Dress in work clothes. Need 8 – 15 volunteers, **all ages welcome!**

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Saturday, May 17th - 10:00 am – 2:00 pm Pregnancy & Parenting Support: Catholic Community Service

Spring Cleaning (vacuuming, sweeping, wiping, taking garbage out, going to the dump to get rid of unusable items, etc); sorting and organizing donations (sort, bagging unusable items, sorting books and toys by age); yard maintenance and gardening (weeding, mowing of lawn, pruning of plants)

Need 15 – 20 volunteers, ages 12 and above (parent must be with child if minor) Volunteers should wear working/comfortable clothes, if you will do yard or gardening, bring garden tools and brown bag lunch.

Saturday, May 17th - 10 am – 3:00 pm L'Arche Noah Sealth

Need 4 volunteers, ages 18 and older. Yardwork and a skilled carpenter to help with wheelchair ramp repair. Dress in work clothes and for outdoor work

Saturday, May 17th - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Habitat for Humanity Seattle-King County

Need 10-15 volunteers, ages 16 and older. Volunteers will participate in doing construction work. Project managers can accommodate a wide-range of skills or lack thereof. Volunteers should dress in comfortable work clothes, solid shoes and work gloves. All necessary tools will be provided by Habitat. Please bring a brown bag lunch.

Saturday, May 17th - 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Interlaken Park "Let's Get To It!" Work Party

Need 8 – 20 volunteers, **all ages welcome!** Weeding, blackberry removal and mulching...

*But you too, help one another:
help one another always. One another. In this way,
by helping one another, we will do some good.*

~Pope Francis



ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH MEN'S
WEEKEND RETREAT

***“GOD’S INVITATION –
AND MY RESPONSE”***

May 30 – June 1, 2014

(Friday evening through Sunday morning)

At Beautiful Dumas Bay Centre, Federal Way

<http://www.dumasbaycentre.com>

***RETREAT ANIMATORS: Kevin Farewell, Dick Ellis, Vince Herberholt, Pat Mathiasen,
Art Maslow, Bill Fleming, Dave Spicer and special guest Fr. Jack O’Leary SJ***

Retreat begins Friday evening at 8:00 pm and ends 12 Noon on Sunday

Cost: \$160.00 per person (includes two nights lodging & six meals)

Partial scholarships are available. Cost does not include transportation. We will help organize carpooling. Accommodations are simple and rustic! Bring sleeping bag or bedding. All participants must be 21 or older.

Join us for a weekend where we hope to provide time to relax, feel rejuvenated and inspired, get connected with ourselves and other men from our parish as well as eat, pray and play! Come and take the time to find and receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. To register fill out form and e-mail/drop it off/mail. We need a minimum of 20 guys to go and a maximum of 35 participants. Sign-up on first come, first pay basis. Questions? Call Steve at 965-1646 or stevev@stjosephparish.org

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Do you need a ride? YES ___ NO ___

Congratulations To Those Receiving Their First Holy Communion

Christopher Anderson
Maristella Anderson
Elias Anderson
Elsa Aslanian
Avery Jack Boswell
Jack Bradshaw
Phoebe Bryar
Grace Campbell
Leslie Cea
Amelia Connolly
Sophie Ellis
Ashley Eng
Hannah Huddleston
Rosie Huddleston
William Huddleston
Maribel May
Taelan Sakay
Parker Smith
Sasha Snavlin
Ava Sobil
Mia Soli
Logan Vaughan
Luke Ward
Ava Woodbridge

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Seamus Alspach
Mariano Alvarado
Natalie Blanchfield
Zadie Blish
Caroline Cappetto
Evan Conner
Henry Dolson
Fiona Eberhardt
Eva Eberhardt
Abby Hendry
Lauren Hughes
Aurora MacDonald
Finley McMahon
Emryk Meyer
Annie Murray
Jack Rosenberger
Dash Schwaegler
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Keenan Tobin
Claire Waite
Gabriella Wood
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"Each encounter with Jesus changes our life."
~Pope Francis