

*THE COMMEMORATION OF
ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
November 2, 2014*

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

Readings for November 9, 2014

FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 47:1-2, 8-9 12
SECOND READING: 1 COR 3:9C-11, 16-17
GOSPEL: JOHN 2:13-22

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-Friday - 8 am - 4:30 pm

Saturday - 9 am - 1 pm

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The overall purpose of the school commission is to advise and support the pastor and principal in the operation of the parish school, including the following:

- Assessing the needs of the school community;
- Evaluating the effectiveness of the school in performing its educational and formational missions;
- Recommending policies and conducting strategic planning for school operations;
- Collaborating with the pastor and principal in educating the parish as a whole about the importance of the school, while building a sense of connection with the overall parish mission;

Learn more about the School Commission:

stjosephsea.org

Altar of Remembrance

In the old baptistry an altar of remembrance will be present throughout November. Please bring photos of deceased relatives and friends and light a candle in prayer (please leave contact information on the back of the photo if you want it returned).



Remembering the Dead With Hope

There is nothing that can replace the absence of someone dear to us, and one should not even attempt to do so. One must simply hold out and endure it. At first that sounds very hard, but at the same time it is also a great comfort. For to the extent the emptiness truly remains unfilled one remains connected to the other person through it. It is wrong to say that God fills the emptiness. God in no way fills it but much more leaves it precisely unfilled and thus helps us preserve—even in pain—the authentic relationship.

-Dietrich Bonhoeffer-

On the day before my father died, his friend of 40 years, Tom Cooney, came to see him. We had let no one into his room except family, up to that time, but Tom was different. He and my father were in that generation who had served in World War II and saw the world with hope and possibility. They had been FBI agents together; they had married within a few months of each other, bringing their brides to the dusty streets of post-war Richland, Washington; they had both been transferred at about the same time—Tom to Los Angeles and my father to San Francisco—but had remained friends, even during this separation. And when Tom and Joan moved to San Francisco, they were my parents' best friends again, becoming the only non-relatives to serve as godparents to one of my siblings. Yes, Cooney was special.

I was alone in the room when he arrived. My mother had gone home for a few hours of rest. I sat watching the numbers on the monitor beside his bed—watching as the O2 level slowly drifted lower. I saw Tom through the window and jumped up to welcome him, and after the smiles and the handshakes, we came to the bed together, and he spoke to my father in the old familiar way. And then, as the few minutes seemed enough, Tom leaned forward and gripped my father's hand, squeezing it with gentle affection. And in a voice full of memory, he said, "Good-bye, old pal."

With tears running down my face, I walked him to the door, "Thanks, Mr. Cooney." We said nothing else. Nothing else seemed possible.

So many of us have stories like this—of the last days of someone we love, or of the days that follow a sudden death, when we see friends we had almost forgotten and remember those parts of our history that make us ache and smile at the same time. Death, with its great sense of finality and mystery, seems almost incomprehensible in the abstract, when we are in the midst of life and joy; yet, in those moments when it intrudes, it seems to envelope and disorient us, like a room of mirrors in a carnival fun-house. We feel adrift, remembering what we have not

done for the one we have lost, and praying for just one more day, just one more moment, just some chance to do it all right—as though there were a way ever to do it all right. In this moment, we seek a hand to hold, long for another who can hear us, who will acknowledge us, who can help us believe we are still alive.

When one experiences a death like this—a death which does more than remove a person from our life, but removes a reference, a touchstone, a part of the way we see the world and ourselves—he experiences it uniquely. It is irreducible to the pain of any other person, though each of us may bear such pain at some time in her life. Like our very self, such loss, even though many have known its type, is always uniquely our own. And God, whose love has made each of us unique and precious, holds us in that loss, not to take away the pain, but to help us experience the life that has made such pain worth bearing.

In the month of November, the Church invites us to remember our beloved dead: invites us to enter again into the mystery of mortality, and into the promise of hope. As Christians, we are not called to avoid death, nor to avoid the mourning and sorrow that accompany it. Though we are a resurrection people, as St. Augustine says, we know that it is death by which the resurrection gains its meaning and its power. The death of Jesus—the death of each of our beloved ones—is a testimony to the way of the world. It is what the order of the world offers, the definitive act of nature's power over our own planning and desire. But in the face of this seemingly unconquerable reality—this chaos that cancels all the order and connections we seek to create—breathes God's Holy Spirit. With the utter gratuity of love, God undoes the power of death, supersedes this absolute law of nature, and raises to life not the People or the Nation or the Church, but Jesus, himself; and my father, himself; and your sister, herself; and every single individual, in her or his own peculiar wonder. Each and every one who is subject to death, God raises to life simply because God loves her, God loves him. This is our hope. This is our faith. This is the promise given to us by Love made flesh.

So then, let us acknowledge the reality of death, and let us not hide from it. For death drives away all that is vernal and passing; death swallows all the old grudges and cruelties, all the arguments we hold so dear. It claims the awards in which we take such pride, and the failures we thought would overthrow us. Into the great emptiness of death, all the things of this world go down, and all that is left is hope, and faith, and love—all that is left is God, who loves us and loves those we have loved, and brings us home to them, at last.



ORDER OF CELEBRATION

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

Prelude

Instrumental

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Song

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE
How/Vaughan Williams

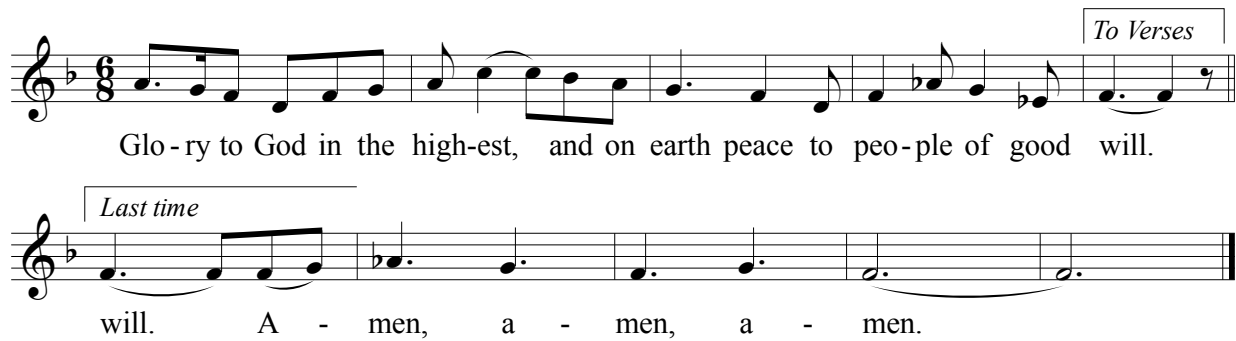
1. For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, All
2. O blest com - mun - ion, fam - i - ly di - vine! The
3. But then there breaks a yet more glo - rious day: Through
4. From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, Through

who by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, Your
We fee - bly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; Yet
saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray: The
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,

name, O Je - sus, be for ev - er blest. Al -
all are one with - in your great de - sign.
King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:

- le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!





1. We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;

3. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

The souls of the just are in the hand of God,
and no torment shall touch them.

They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead;
and their passing away was thought an affliction
and their going forth from us, utter destruction.

But they are in peace.

For if before men, indeed, they be punished,
yet is their hope full of immortality;
chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed,
because God tried them
and found them worthy of himself.

As gold in the furnace, he proved them,
and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

In the time of their visitation they shall shine,
and shall dart about as sparks through stubble;
they shall judge nations and rule over peoples,
and the LORD shall be their King forever.

Those who trust in him shall understand truth,
and the faithful shall abide with him in love:
because grace and mercy are with his holy ones,
and his care is with his elect.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 27

David Haas



Second Reading

1 John 3:1-2

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.



Gospel Acclamation

Storrington Mass

Marty Haugen



Gospel

Matthew 22:34-40

At that time Jesus said in reply, "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike. Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him. "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions

Litany of the Saints

John D. Becker

Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord have mer-cy.

(Saint Invocation)
("Lord, be merciful.") Pray for us. Save your peo-ple. Pray for us. Save your peo-ple.

Pray for us. Save your peo-ple. Pray for us. Save your peo-ple. Pray for us. Save your peo-ple.

All you ho - ly men and wo - men, pray for us.
Christ, hear us; Lord Je - sus, hear our prayer.

D.S.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Song

At Home In the Lord

John B. Foley, S.J.

And the Lord said, Come home; answer my call.
Let my love lead you home, here where I am.
I have been yours. You have been mine.

At the hearth of the world, rest, says the Lord.
Know I hold you from harm. Rest at my side.
Weary the day. Peaceful the dawn.

Home, come home

Home, come home.

For my Spirit makes home dee in your soul.
When the night speaks of fear, my love is here.
Come from the dark. Yearn for the light.

Home, come home.

Holy, Holy, Holy

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Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly

Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your

glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na, ho -

san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It features a variety of note values including eighth, quarter, and half notes, as well as rests. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

Mystery of Faith

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Save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your

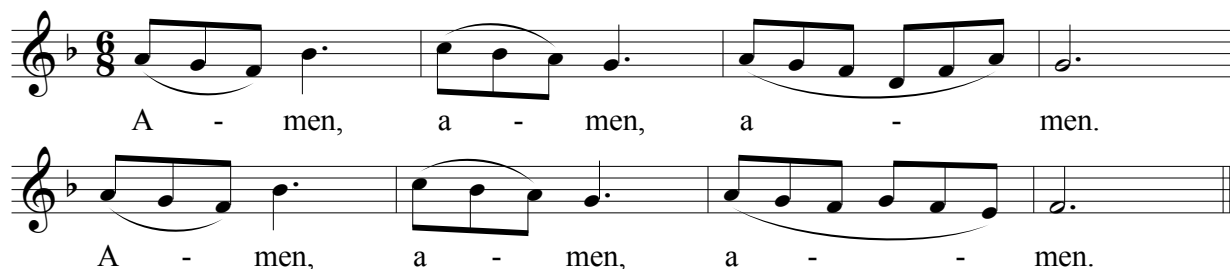
Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

The musical score is written on two staves in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. It features a variety of note values including eighth, quarter, and half notes, as well as rests. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

Great Amen

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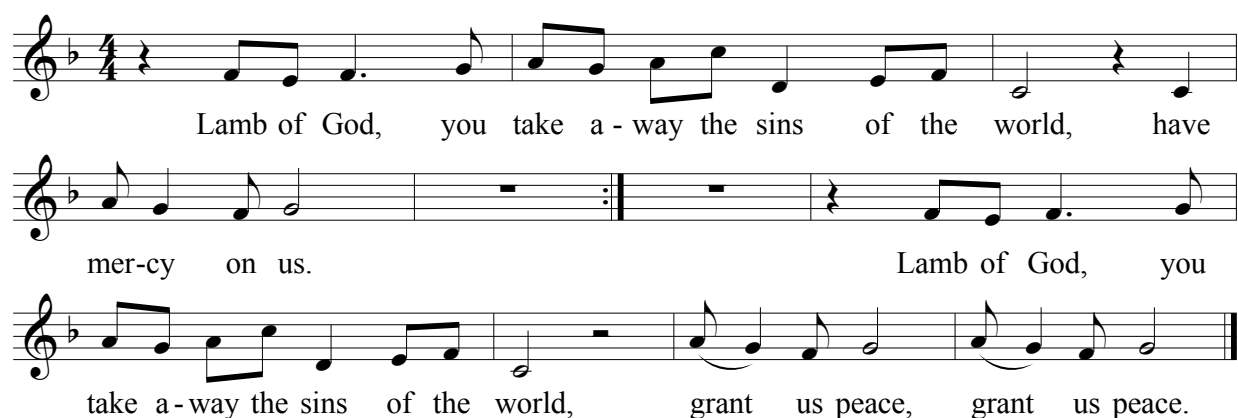
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Lamb of God

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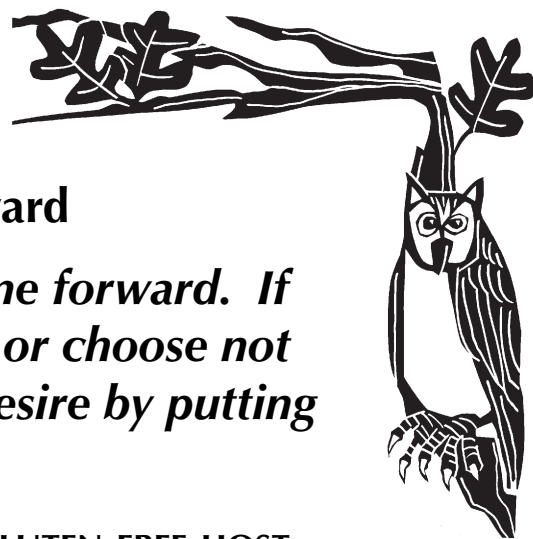
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All Are Invited To Come Forward

During communion, we invite all to come forward. If you do not ordinarily receive Eucharist, or choose not to, come for a blessing, indicating your desire by putting your hand on your heart.

IF YOU HAVE A GLUTEN ALLERGY, & NEED OF A GLUTEN FREE HOST, PLEASE COME TO THE PRESIDER & INDICATE THIS.



Communion Song

Blest Are They

David Haas

Re - joyce and be glad! Bless-ed are
you, ho - ly are you! Re - joyce and be glad!
Yours is the king - dom of God!

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Song of Praise

We Shall Rise Again

RESURRECTION
Jeremy Young

1. Come to me, all you wea - ry, with your bur - dens and pain.
2. Though we walk through the dark - ness, e - vil we do not fear.
3. At the door there to greet us, mar - tyrs, an - gels, and saints,
Take my yoke on your shoul - ders and learn from me:
You are walk - ing be - side us with your rod and your staff.
And our fam - 'ly and loved ones, ev - 'ry - one freed from their chains.
I am gen - tle and hum - ble, and your soul will find rest,
On - ly good - ness and kind - ness fol - low us all our lives.
We shall feel their ac - cep - tance, and the joy of new life.
For my yoke is eas - y and my bur - den is light.
We shall dwell in the Lord's house for so man - y years to come!
We shall join in the gath - er - ing, re - u - nit - ed in God's love!
We shall rise a - gain on the last day with the faith - ful, rich and
poor. Com - ing to the house of Lord Je - sus, we will find an o - pen
door there, we will find an o - pen door.

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POPE-POURRI

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In our catechesis on the Church, we now consider what it means to say, with Saint Paul, that the Church is “the Body of Christ”. Just as our body is one, but made up of many members, so it is with Christ and the Church. The vision of Prophet Ezechiel, in which God’s Spirit gives flesh and life to a field of dry bones, is a foreshadowing of the Church, filled with the Spirit’s gift of new life in Christ and united in fellowship and love. Through Baptism we are made one with Christ in the mystery of his death and resurrection; all of us become sharers in the Holy Spirit and members of a mystical body of which the Risen Christ is the head. Paul uses the image of marital love to illustrate this great mystery: just as a husband and wife are one flesh, so it is with Christ and the Church. As members of the one body, we are called to live in unity, overcoming every temptation to discord and division. Prompted by the Holy Spirit, may we work to build up Christ’s Body in love by accepting with gratitude his many gifts, valuing those gifts in others and always showing generous concern for our brothers and sisters in need.

STEWARDSHIP



Ways to Donate – Part 1

We are grateful for your prayerful consideration of a stewardship gift to St. Joseph Parish! For over a century, St. Joseph has been here: serving people in faith, educating the young with hope, and engaging the world with the love of Christ Jesus and the power of the Gospel. Together, we ensure that our century-old commitment will endure.

Below are a few examples of the many ways our parishioners and friends support our parish. For more information or assistance in making your gift, please don't hesitate to contact Tina O'Brien, Pastoral Assistant for Stewardship and Development at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965.1654.

Make an Immediate Impact

- Cash gifts—the simplest and easiest gift you can make—can be made by credit card, personal check, cashier's check, or money order made payable to St. Joseph Parish. Make a gift today online at www.stjosephparish.org.
- Gifts of appreciated securities, stocks and bonds provide considerable tax advantages when transferred to St. Joseph Parish before they are sold. Learn more on the Seattle Archdiocese planned giving pages at www.seattlearchpg.org or by contacting Tina O'Brien, Pastoral Assistant for Stewardship and Development at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965.1654.
- Recurring gifts can help sustain your impact through regular and consistent contributions to St. Joseph Parish. You can arrange for gifts to come to the parish through electronic fund transfer, set up your credit card to be charged a certain amount at a frequency of your choosing, or use the small envelopes provided by the parish. It is most helpful when our friends give via electronic fund transfer directly from the bank as there are no fees incurred with each transaction.

In-kind gifts can provide items that our community partners desperately need such as toiletries, paper products, baby items, clothing, and the like. Contact our outreach partners regarding contributions of goods and services or bring food items to Mass for our special collections.

Stewardship Update

Many, many thanks to all who have made gifts and pledges to our annual stewardship appeal. To date, we have received 131 pledges totaling \$457,159 toward our goal of \$1,500,000. We are endlessly grateful for your commitment to St. Joseph Parish!

If you haven't yet affirmed your active membership in our parish, please do so, and prayerfully consider what, if any, gift you are able to give to support our work. As always, should you require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact Tina O'Brien at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or 206.965.1654. Many thanks...

God is not afraid of new things! That is why he is continually surprising us, opening our hearts and guiding us in unexpected ways. He renews us: he constantly makes us "new". A Christian who lives the Gospel is "God's newness" in the Church and in the world. How much God loves this "newness"!

From Pope Francis Homily on October 19, 2014

Online Giving Making your Stewardship gift online?

Online Giving looks a bit different with our new website. After you set up your account the first time, you will find a much more user-friendly and interactive system. You can make one-time gifts--or set up recurring gifts and receive reminders before gifts are processed. A new feature is that you can also direct funds from either your credit card or a bank account. Don't hesitate to contact Tina if you'd like her assistance with entering your first gift in the new system. She can be reached at 206.965.1654 or stewardship@stjosephparish.org



Many thanks!

El Marie Kam - My Home Away From Home!

Since my husband and I first came to Seattle in 1945, we were lucky enough to have had our family home, our family business of 52 years, and our Church and children's school all within an 8 block radius. Family, community, and meaningful work was so important to us. Whether it was secretly

donating bakery goods to large Catholic families, celebrating family baptisms or weddings, or sharing meals with other senior parishioners, I have enjoyed all 70 years of participation in the St. Joseph Community.

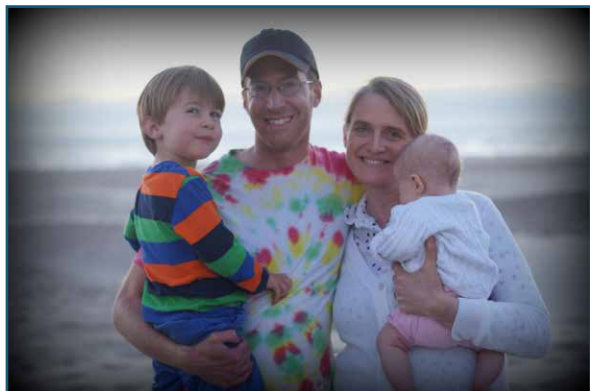


Over almost 70 years, I found out that giving results in getting back in many unexpected ways, e.g., I formed many friendships over the years!

Mary Beth Hribar Deitz - Where I Can Examine & Deepen My Faith!

When I joined St. Joseph Parish, I was single and new to Seattle. I wanted to be a part of a parish community like one that I attended when I was growing up. I desired that connection to my upbringing and culture being so far from family. Now that I am involved in the Parish, and I have been married and baptized my children here, St. Joseph means more to me than any other church I have attended. It is a place where I can examine and deepen my faith in God, and

where I can raise my children in my cherished Catholic traditions. I love this church and community.



I give to St. Joseph because it is my home. I want to care for the community and church of St. Joseph, ensuring that it is there for me, for my family, and for everyone else who also calls it home.

St. Joseph Parish's Alternative Bazaar

Sunday, November 23rd

10 AM - 1 PM

732 18th Ave E - In the Social Hall



This year St. Joseph's Alternative Bazaar will have beautiful handcrafted items from dozens of countries, and organizations around the world in order to support disadvantaged artisans overseas and in the US.

Come and support our non-profit outreach partners such as: L'Arche, Chief Seattle Club, Association of Catholic Childhood, Monroe Prison Quilting Project & Ten Thousand Villages and many more!

The artisans and vendors with us are Fair Trade Certified, or a non-profit whose sales 100% support the organization.

For More Information: Steve Wodzanowski, 206-965-1646 or steve@stjosephparish.org



FAITH JUSTICE

St. Joseph Women's Ministry

St. Joseph's Women's Ministry Group invites you to join us for "Coffee Connect" Saturday, November 8th from 10 am -11 am at Starbucks on 19th & Aloha.

Contact Sheila Sifferman Marie 206.251.7035 if you have any questions. Thank you.



Accompanying Those in the Margins

The Way of Companionship

Saturday, November 8th | 9am - 12pm | Parish Center
Kae Eaton & Craig Rennebohm, facilitating

Kae has developed a clear language and compassionate approach to companionship, expanding the applicability to all groups and people. This workshop is appropriate for anyone who companions folks in the margins, people in their own community, or even in their own families. This workshop is practical, experiential and inspiring. All are welcome to attend. Please extend an invitation to anyone you know who might be interested.

Suggested donation is \$20

Sponsored by Ignatian Spirituality Center (www.ignatiancenter.org). For more information, contact Carolyn Hickman at carolyn@ignatiancenter.org or (206) 329-4824.

St. Francis House Needs Help!

Baby it's cold outside--St. Francis House needs winter supplies!

In addition to non-perishable food donations, St. Francis House urgently needs new or used sleeping bags, blankets, and back packs, tents and plastic tarps. Please bring items to St. Joseph Parish Center, or drop off at St. Francis House, 169 12th Ave S (about four blocks south of Seattle University.) For more information, please contact James Brennan at jpbirish@comcast.net

Recovery Cafe Thanksgiving Meal & Open Mic Night

sponsored by St. Joseph

Saturday, November 15, 4:15-8:00 pm

Are you and your family looking for a way to make Thanksgiving really memorable for those in need? On Saturday, November 15, we will prepare and serve a traditional Thanksgiving meal to 125 members of the Recovery Cafe, but we need your help--both in the preparation, and in the delivery, serving and clean up. To that end, consider signing up to volunteer and/or provide food.

This year, food donation and volunteer sign-ups are on-line at PerfectPotluck.com. To sign-up visit PerfectPotluck.com and locate the schedule by coordinator last name (Brennan) and password (3293).

***Thank you in advance for
your generosity
of time, talent and treasure!***



For questions, please contact

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Laury Bryant at lauryb39@hotmail.com or (206) 234-9444

Gretchen Brennan at gretchenbrennan@comcast.net or (206) 949-5456

Chief Seattle Club Invitation

Let's talk story in solidarity with our relatives who live outdoors and are homeless. This series is open to all and we extend a special invitation to our friends who work with and on behalf of our homeless relatives. November 4th, 10 am to 2 pm, Chief Seattle Club, 410 2nd Ave Ext. South, Seattle. Email gabriel@chiefseattleclub.org for more information.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP



Prayer Tree



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Sharon's health to be better and for her to be stronger with each passing day . . . As he is recovering from surgery, Michael is thankful for the prayers and kindness of St. Joseph's community . . . For Lauren and others who are looking for work . . . For family and friends as they continue in their recovery from strokes to regain their balance in standing and walking . . . For an elderly parent to find the medical and social health resources to help her daughter . . . For the students, staff and families of Marysville-Pilchuck High School as they grieve over their tragic losses and injuries sustained.

*"Blessed are they who mourn,
For they will be comforted."*

~Matthew 5:4

The Call Of Liturgical Ministry

If you go to the Liturgy and Worship page of our new parish website it says: "The parish community of St. Joseph gathers together to pray and worship throughout the liturgical year. Prayer, especially the celebration of the Eucharist binds our community together to give honor and glory to God and to recognize the real presence of Christ and the Spirit in one another. Through the celebration of our faith, we are empowered to live out our parish mission statement: *'Ignited by the Eucharist to love and serve.'* "

Get Involved

If you are interested in getting involved, sharing and developing your gifts, and serving as an Usher, a Lector or a Eucharistic Minister please reach out to the coordinator of that particular ministry. The parish website has information about each of these ministries and you can reach the coordinator directly via the website at: Ushers@stjosephparish.org, lectors@stjosephparish.org or eucharisticministers@stjosephparish.org. They will be able to answer your questions and arrange a time for training.

Deanery Announcement

What: The Mass: Four Encounters With Jesus That Will Change Your Life An All-Parish, Special Morning Presentation by author and speaker Dr. Tom Curran (MyCatholicFaith.org)

Where: Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 820 18th Ave, Seattle WA 98122, The presentation will be in the church. There will be a light continental breakfast before the presentation in the Parish Hall downstairs.

When: Saturday Morning, November 8th, 9:00 am – 12:30 pm.

Cost: The event is FREE; a free-will offering will be taken.

What to Expect from the Event:

- A step-by-step walk through the Mass that is full of examples and stories from everyday life.
- A deeper understanding of the Mass, not only as a ritual, but as an event where you meet the living Lord.
- A unique opportunity to explore the riches of your Catholic Faith in an easy to understand and entertaining format.
- A renewed excitement to experience Mass and allow Jesus to come close to you, speak to you, live in you, and change your life.

For more information, please call Immaculate Conception at (206) 322-5970.

DJM Information Meeting

All are invited to an information night for the Disciples of Jesus and Mary (DJM) at Immaculate Conception Church, 820 – 18th Avenue, in Seattle, on Wednesday, November 12th, at 7:00 pm, in the Jean Moran Hall.

The purpose of DJM is to offer all people an on-going training program. This program enables all to grow spiritually and to work effectively in the world. It draws material from the Gospels, the teachings of the Church, and spiritual authors. If interested, please contact Marie Rose Nguyen at holymary@gmail.com or (206) 852-0500.



The Washington State Catholic Conference (WSCC) represents the Catholic Bishops of Washington State: Archbishop J. Peter Sartain of the Archdiocese of Seattle; Bishop Blase J. Cupich of the Diocese of Spokane; Bishop Joseph J. Tyson of the Diocese of Yakima; and Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Seattle.

Elections 2014: Statement supporting Initiative 594 Background Checks on Gun Sales

Tragic mass shootings have become all too prevalent in our day and reflect a devaluing of human life in our nation. As people of faith, we, the Catholic Bishops of Washington State, are deeply committed to the U.S. Constitution's guarantee of liberty and recognize legitimate recourse to self-defense. However, we cannot ignore the threat to public safety that arises when guns are too easily accessible. Therefore, we support Initiative 594, which requires background checks on gun sales.

As a consistent voice for reducing violence, the Catholic Church has been a strong advocate for the reasonable regulation of firearms. The Vatican's Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, in its document, "The International Arms Trade" (2006), emphasized the importance of enacting concrete controls on handguns, noting, "Limiting the purchase of such arms would certainly not infringe on the rights of anyone." (*Confronting Armed Violence and Promoting Peace*, USCCB Office of Domestic Social Development, February 2013)

Both state and federal laws regulate the purchase and transfer of firearms. Under these laws, "dealers" are required to have licenses in order to sell guns and must, with few exceptions, conduct a background check to determine whether a purchaser is prohibited by law from possessing a firearm. The purpose of Initiative 594 is to require a background check on the sale or transfer of all firearms other than antique firearms, for both licensed and unlicensed purchasers. We bishops have supported these provisions in the past and now support this initiative's reasonable inclusion of background checks for online sales and sales at gun shows. A competing measure, I-591, will also appear on the ballot in November. I-591 would not extend background checks for gun sales and could possibly reduce or limit current background check requirements.

I-594 provides modest conditions for legal purchase of firearms and represents a prudent balance between concerns for personal liberty and public safety. In addition to this initiative measure, we also urge support by public and elected officials for policy initiatives to improve access to mental health care for those who may be prone to violence. Such steps would prove both effective and humane, and would receive broad public support as a means of reducing violent crime.

Catholic teaching emphasizes that it is the moral duty of all people to take steps to defend human life and, as pastoral leaders, we have a particular responsibility to participate in efforts that will reduce violence. As our U.S. bishops' 1994 document, *Confronting a Culture of Violence*, states: "We see the loss of lives. We serve the victims. We feel the fear. We must confront this growing culture of violence with a commitment to life, a vision of hope and a call to action." Thus, in concert with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Bishops of Washington State offer the following priorities to assist in public discourse and deliberations regarding gun safety. We support:

1. Measures that place reasonable conditions on the sale and use of firearms
2. Measures that make guns safer
3. Sensible regulation of handguns
4. Efforts intended to curb easy access to deadly weapons, including assault rifles
5. A serious commitment to confront the pervasive role of addiction and mental illness in crime

Our hope is that judicious steps to prevent gun violence will lead to greater respect for human life. We urge Catholics and all people of good will to seek consensus on initiatives that promote public safety while respecting our constitutional guarantees for personal liberty.



FAITH FORMATION

Seniors On The Go

Friday, November 7 - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by lunch in the Parish Center.

Tuesday, November 11 - Seniors Ministry Planning Meeting, 11:30 am in the Parish Center. Bring your ideas for outings and other activities. Brown Bag Lunch

Tuesday, November 11 - SENIORS MOVIE MATINEE, 1:00 pm – Parish Center. Bring a snack to share!

Wednesday, November 19 - Next Seniors Outing - IMAX BUTTERFLY movie & lunch, meet at Parish Center at 10:30 am. We'll have an early lunch near the Fremont Bridge and then off to the Seattle Center. We'll see the 2:15 pm movie! Cost is \$8.00 for the movie and BYOB for lunch. To register contact Renee at the Parish Center 324-2522 ext 100 or rleet@stjosephparish.org

Grand Catholic Italy Tour

Join Fr. Glen Butterworth, S.J. on this 12 day / 11 night spiritual, cultural and historical exploration of Italy.

Travel Dates: October 12 - 23, 2015

Early Booking Savings - Deposit \$500 per person by Nov. 10, 2014 and save \$350 per person or deposit by Nov. 25, 2014 for a \$300 per person savings from the tour price of \$3395 per person, double occupancy, land only.

Brochures with the detail tour information are available at the Parish Center or Viking Cruise & Travel at: info@vikingcat.com or 206-501-4468

CFF 1

Parent and Child Workshop, November 6th

There is a parent and child workshop for those registered for the first year of our two year sacramental preparation program for First Communion (CFF 1) on Thursday, November 6th from 6-7:30pm. We will begin in the Social Hall and end in the church. Please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org if you have questions. See you this Thursday!

St. Joseph School News

If you are a new family interested in applying to St. Joseph School for the 2015-2016 school year, please visit our website at stjosephsea.org under "Admissions" and complete the inquiry form. Please take time to look over this section to help to familiarize you with our admissions' process, deadlines, events, and important dates.

Applications are available online or you can download the application from our webpage. Questions? Please contact the Admissions Office bsteinhauser@stjosephsea.org or call 206-329-3260 ext. 243.

School Drama

Dear St. Joseph Community,

My name is Darcy Carlsen and I am thrilled to be starting a drama program at St. Joseph School as a part of St. Joseph's 7th and 8th grade Exploratory program.

Our plays are scheduled for Thursday, March 12th and Friday, March 13th (4 performances total). We have chosen to do *Through the Looking Glass* which is a fun/wacky version of Alice in Wonderland. Tryouts began Monday, 10/6, and students will be assigned to their roles by the end of the month. Costume creation and set design will begin shortly thereafter...so early November.

How can you help? There are so many ways! Theater is the most collaborative of all the arts, in my opinion, and one of the greatest things about our plays is that we give many people an opportunity to showcase their unique talents and abilities. After seven years of teaching drama at Holy Rosary, West Seattle, I had built a solid team of parents, grandparents and community members, many of which would come back year after year because the experience was so gratifying. I have yet to build my drama team here at St. Joseph and hope to do so ASAP. If you, or anyone you know, is talented in any of the following areas, please contact me at dcarlsen@stjosephsea.org ASAP:

- costume making or finding
- set design/painting/carpentry
- graphic design/advertising

Many thanks for your help and I hope to hear from you soon!

St. Joseph Young Adult Bowling!

Sunday, November 2nd

It's time to roll! Join us Sunday, November 2nd outside the church after the 5:30 Mass to car-pool over to The Garage for bowling, fellowship, food, and drinks. Knock down some pins, shoot some pool or play shuffleboard. Bowling lanes will be provided; you bring or rent bowling shoes. Food and drinks available for purchase. Hope to see you there! To register or for more info email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

**The Garage
1130 Broadway
7-9 pm**

