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ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



"Love is of God..."

Mothers' Day



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 10, 2015

Reflection Next Week:

Grace Nelson

Readings for May 17, 2015

FIRST READING: ACTS 1:1-11

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 4:1-13

GOSPEL: MARK 16:15-20

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

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Monday-Friday - 8 am - 4:30 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.

WELCOME!

Are you a Catholic attending Mass regularly at St. Joseph Parish, yet haven't officially registered? Join us! Visit our website at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Join Our Parish" link to complete and submit your registration form. Should you have any question whatsoever, please don't hesitate to contact Tina at stewardship@stjosephparish.org, or 206.965.1654.

Are you interested in finding out more about St. Joseph Parish and the Catholic Church? Whether you are baptized in another denomination, have never been baptized and are exploring Christianity for the first time, or are a former Catholic pondering a return to the Church, we are happy to talk with you, answer questions, and explore the many possibilities. Find out more—with no strings attached—by calling Fr. Glen at 206-965-1643, or email gbutterworth@stjosephparish.org

The Umbilical Cord of Love

St. Bonaventure said that after the long fast of our Lord in the desert, when the angels came to minister to him, they went first to the Blessed Mother to see what she had on her stove, and got the soup she had prepared and transported it to our Lord, who relished it the more because his mother had prepared it. Of course.

-Dorothy Day-

I am born connected. I am born remembering rivers flowing from my mother's body into my body. She passes on to me the meaning of religion because she links me to our origin in God the Mother.

-Meinrad Craighead-

At the end of James Joyce's novel, *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*, the young protagonist, Stephen Dedalus, prepares to leave Ireland for France, to begin a new life as a writer and poet, free of the conventions of the Irish Church and the domestic banality of his family. In the final entries of his journal, he proclaims his independence in words that echo with the fire of youth and the determination of the creative soul that seeks release: *"Welcome, O life, I go to encounter for the millionth time the reality of experience, and to forge in the smithy of my soul the uncreated conscience of my race."*

When I was 18, and read those words for the first time, my heart leapt within me! Yes! I thought: *that is what I want! Nothing to hold me back; no ties or bonds to keep me from my own heroic leap into the world!* Like Joyce's hero, I would go out into the world and make my mark, be my own man, experience life and shape it according to my purposes.

It was only years later, re-reading this wonderful book that I noticed the irony that Joyce had sown into the scene; for just as Stephen makes this heroic declaration of artistic freedom, his mother sits quietly folding his clothes and packing his suitcase for him. So much for the triumph of heroic individualism.

Many of us, I think, have spent at least part of our lives idealizing the lonely hero or the solitary saint. We have accepted the great myth of our culture that freedom comes through independence and self-reliance, through pulling yourself up by your own bootstraps and standing on your own two feet. We have idolized the *"Man of Genius"* (and how often it seems to be a man) such as George Washington or Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Edison or Steve Jobs, and mitigated the many quiet hands by which we become ourselves. Even in matters of faith, we can tend to view Christ as the great loner—saving the world by his own strength of will—and miss the rev-

elation that he does nothing alone, but always in that communion which is God's true being. We forget, as the Council of Toledo seeks to remind us, in 675 AD, that the Son is begotten, not alone, but *"from the womb of the Father"* (*"de utero Patris"*), and from that womb—and the womb of Mary, his human mother—Jesus grows into the one who saves us by uniting us to all creation.

Growing older, I have come to see how deceptive and conceited the addiction to independence can be—how much it twists the freedom God intends for us and turns us from the abundance offered through commitment and love. We are united in a web of relationships as deep as our DNA and as self-evident as the buttons that mark our belly. Indeed, perhaps there is no better reminder that we are bound together than our belly buttons, which recall how we begin our lives tethered to our mothers—who fed us before we could ask and who (when all was well) blessed us before we entered the world. Not one of us is *"self-made,"* but generation after generation, we are made and formed by the women who accepted us and shaped us, as best they could: who formed our bodies in their wombs, formed our souls in their love, formed our character by the example they gave us in their lives.

While it may be true that our mothers—whether those who gave us physical birth or those who have borne us only in their hearts—may, at times, drive us crazy; yet, we know, nonetheless, that without such love we would be adrift, and when separated from that love by sorrow, or illness, or death, we ache in ways beyond all telling. So it is, that we must give thanks for them, and for all those who, with a mother's heart, have said *"Yes!"* to the gift of life; who have said *"Yes!"* to their role in the miracle of creation and communion. We should, remain awed by those upon whom the Spirit has moved, making from their flesh and bone, their spirit and soul, a new person, a new life, a child of the living God.

This weekend, as we celebrate Mothers' Day, let us pray with joy and hope for the women who have shaped our lives in fundamental and transformational ways—the mothers of our bodies, and the mothers of our hearts. May we forgive these mothers for their failures, and bless them for the grace that packed our bags and sent us into the world—never alone, but always connected by an umbilical cord of love to them and to the God who gave us, thankfully, into their care.



ORDER OF CELEBRATION SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Prelude

Instrumental



THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Song

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL/Wesley

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
 2. Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, Let us
 3. Fin - ish then your new cre - a - tion, Pure and

heav'n to earth come down! Fix in us your hum - ble
 all your life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn and
 spot - less, gra - cious Lord, Let us see your great sal -

dwel - ing, All your faith - ful mer - cies crown.
 nev - er, Nev - er more your tem - ples leave.
 va - tion Per - fect - ly in you re - stored.

Je - sus, source of all com - pas - sion, Love un - bound - ed,
 Lord, we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve you as your
 Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in heav'n we

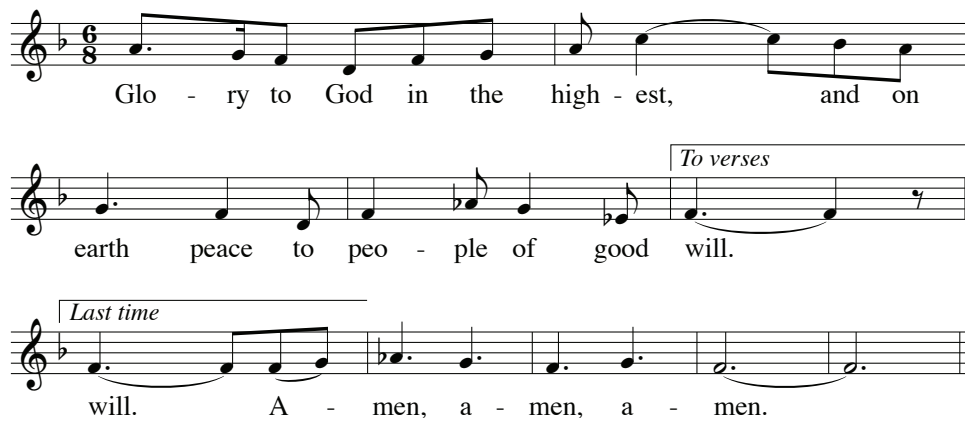
love all pure; Vis - it us with your sal -
 hosts a - bove, Pray, and praise - you with - out
 take our place, Till we sing be - fore the'al -

va - tion, Let your love in us en - dure.
 ceas - ing, Glo - ry in your pre - cious love.
 might - ty Lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Gloria/Sprinkling Rite

Storrington Mass

Marty Haugen



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.

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;
- 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.

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.



First Reading

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and, falling at his feet, paid him homage. Peter, however, raised him up, saying, "Get up. I myself am also a human being."

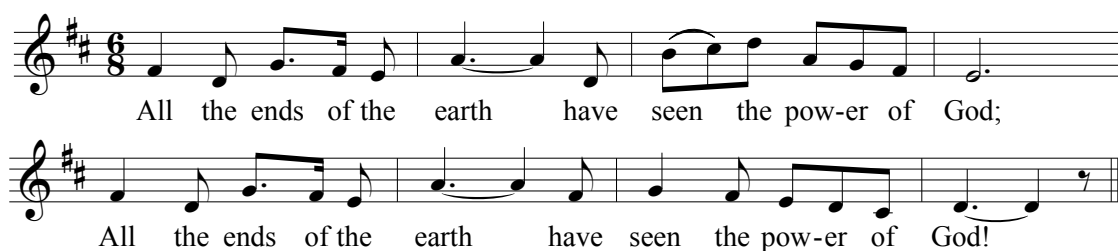
Then Peter proceeded to speak and said, "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him."

While Peter was still speaking these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening to the word. The circumcised believers who had accompanied Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit should have been poured out on the Gentiles also, for they could hear them speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter responded, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit even as we have?" He ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 98

Haugen/Haas



Second Reading

1 John 4:7-10

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

Gospel Acclamation

Festive Alleluia

Mozart/Trapp



Gospel

John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples:

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you.

Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father's commandments
and remain in his love.

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you
and your joy might be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.

No one has greater love than this,
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

I no longer call you slaves,

because a slave does not know what his master is doing.

I have called you friends,

because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father.

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you

and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain,

so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you.

This I command you: love one another."



Reflection

Tricia Trainer

Renewal Of Baptismal Promises

Prayers of the Faithful

Assembly Response: Lord hear our prayer.

Offertory Song

Where Charity and Love Prevail

CHRISTIAN LOVE/Benoit

1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, There God is ev - er found; Brought
2. With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear God's char - i - ty we learn; Let
3. For - give we now each oth - er's faults As we our faults con - fess; And
4. Let strife a - mong us be un - known, Let all con - ten - tion cease; Be
5. Let us re - call that in our midst Dwells God's be - got - ten Son; As
6. No race nor creed can love ex - clude, If hon - ored be God's name; Our

here to - geth - er by Christ's love, By love are we thus bound.
us with heart and mind and soul Now love him in re - turn.
let us love each oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.
God's the glo - ry that we seek, Be ours God's ho - ly peace.
mem - bers of his bod - y joined, We are in him made one.
fam - i - ly em - brac - es all Whose Fa - ther is the same.

Prayer over the Offerings

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Assembly: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Preface Dialogue

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

Assembly: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly: It is right and just.



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

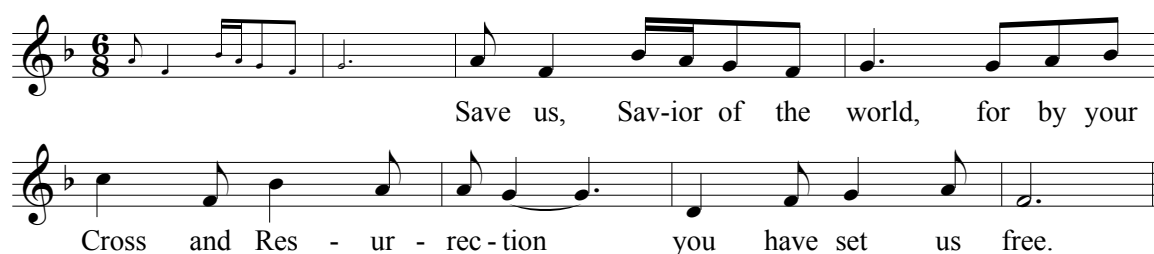
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na, ho -

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

Mystery of Faith

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Great Amen

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The Lord's Prayer

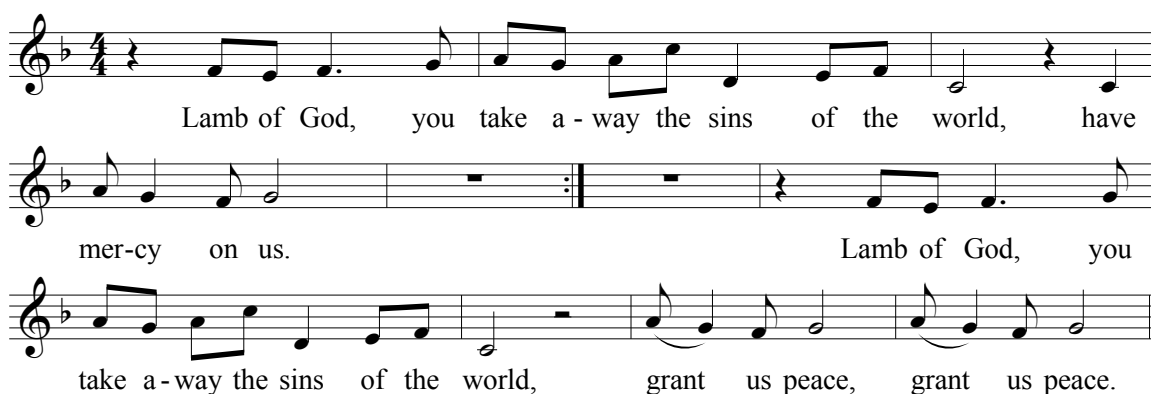
Sign of Peace

Assembly greets one another: Peace be with you.

Lamb of God

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Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Assembly: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

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 Songs

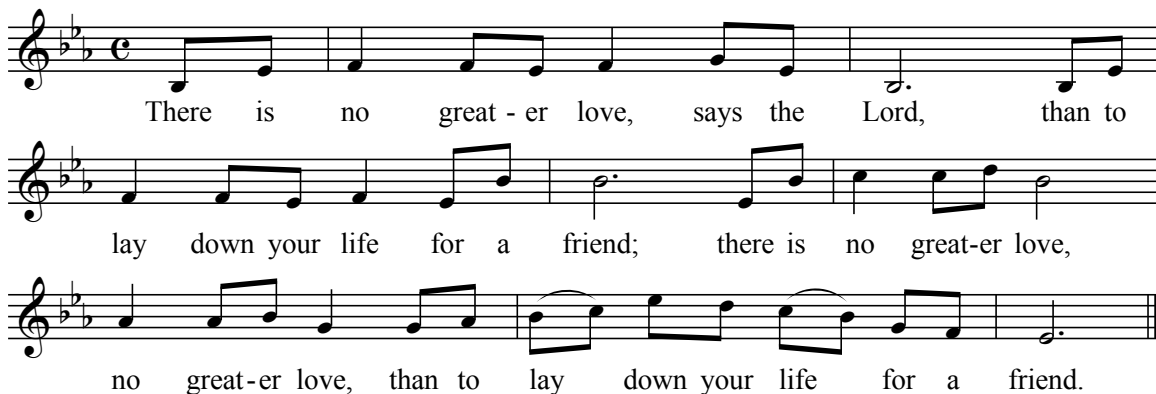
Live On In My Love (9)

Psallite



No Greater Love

Joncas



After you receive Communion, you may kneel or sit if desired until the ciborium is returned to the tabernacle.



THE CONCLUDING RITES

Song Of Praise

Hail, Holy Queen

SALVE REGINA/Willan

1. Hail, ho - ly Queen en - throned a - bove, O Ma - ri - a. Hail,
2. The cause of joy to all be - low, O Ma - ri - a. The
3. O gen - tle, lov - ing, ho - ly one, O Ma - ri - a. The

Queen of mer - cy and of love, O Ma - ri - a.
spring through which all grac - es flow, O Ma - ri - a.
God of light be - came your Son, O Ma - ri - a.

Tri - umph, all ye Cher - u - bim; Sing with us, ye
An - gels, all your prais - es bring; Earth and heav - en,
Tri - umph, all ye Cher - u - bim: Sing with us, ye

Ser - a - phim. Heav'n and earth re - sound the hymn:
with us sing; All cre - a - tion ech - o - ing:
Ser - a - phim. Heav'n and earth re - sound the hymn:

Sal - ve, Sal - ve, Sal - ve Re - gi - na.

Blessing and Dismissal

Recessional

Instrumental

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But let me ask you: Do you listen to your grandparents? Do you open your hearts to the memories that your grandparents pass on? Grandparents are like the wisdom of the family, they are the wisdom of a people. And a people that doesn't listen to grandparents is one that dies! Listen to your grandparents.

~Pope Francis



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday

9:00 AM Mass
10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join Us!
11:00 AM Mass
5:30 PM Mass

Monday

7:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 AM Yoga - Body In Prayer
7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer
7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Goup

Tuesday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

Wednesday

7:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 AM Yoga - Body In Prayer
6:00 PM Pathfinders Youth Group
7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

Thursday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

Friday

7:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 AM Men's Prayer Group

Saturday

3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation
5:00 PM Vigil Mass

We Are St. Joseph Events Save The Dates!

Sounders Game - August 30th
Parish Picnic - September 20th
Epiphany Dinner - January 10th

For additional information about these or any other upcoming events, please visit our website at www.stjosephparish.org or call the Parish Center at (206) 324-2522.



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

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 sacredsilence@stjosephparish.org or 206-286-0313.



Prayer Tree



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions:
For Miranda Guppy's upcoming surgery this week . . . For Jon to continue healing from a major illness . . . For Gloria's health and circumstances to improve . . . For Katie's pregnancy to go well . . . For all those suffering from Spring allergies . . . For Catherine to continue to grow in strength . . . For those who have decisions to make about a loved one . . . Bless Mothers on their special day.

*"Her children rise up and praise her; her husband, too, extols her."
~ Proverbs 31:28*

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

PARISH LIFE



Women's Ministry

Spirituality Book Club

The next gathering of the Spirituality Book Group is right around the corner -- Wednesday, May 12 at 7 pm in the Brebeuf Room at the Parish Hall.

This month we will be discussing *Accidental Theologians: Four Women Who Shaped Christianity* by Elizabeth Dreyer. The book delves into the lives and contributions of the four female doctors of the Church (Hildegard of Bingen, Catherine of Siena, Teresa of Avila and Therese of Lisieux) and the relevance their insights hold for us today.

For more information, feel free to contact Shelagh Lane (lane.shelagh@gmail.com).

Seniors On The Go

Thursday, May 21st - Senior Outing to Bainbridge Island, 10am – 4pm. Enjoy a ferry ride, visit the ART and Historical Museum, eat lunch and stroll through the shops. Transportation provided, lunch is on your own. To sign up call Renee at 324-2522 ext 100.

Thursday, May 21st - Senior Potluck, Social Hall 6-8:30 pm. A fun evening with terrific food & lively conversation. Please join us. Questions ~ Mary Ott 324-7459 ~ Dolores Dorn 322-2259

Friday, June 5th - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center. Parish is providing baked salmon, barbecue chicken and beverages. Everyone invited to bring a dessert, salad or side dish to share. For details contact Dolores Dorn at 322-2259 or Mary Ott at 324-7459.

Western Washington Catholic Charismatic Renewal

"United in the Upper Room" Celebrate the birthday of the Church with guest speakers Jim Murphy and Sister Lucy Lukasiewicz, DLJC
St. Stephen the Martyr Church
13055 SE 192nd Street, Renton WA 98056

Registration is available online at www.wwccr.org or by calling the WWCCR office: 206-364-2272 or at the door on the day of the event.

Young Adult Ministry Softball

Join our Young Adult Softball Team! Games are on Mondays or Thursday nights throughout summer, starting in early June and running through mid-August, and always a ton of fun. We will coordinate carpools and happy hours together after games too! Feel free to invite your friends to join our team as well! Registration is \$30. For more information email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

Planning Meeting

Wednesday May 13th
7:00 – 8:30 pm in the Parish Center.
Please Join us!

NIGHT AT THE MARINERS!

Friday May 29th vs. Cleveland Indians 7:0 5pm
Pre-function gathering TBD.
Fireworks show after the game
Tickets are only \$11.00

To purchase tickets online go to our website
www.stjosephparish.org
Under Young Adult Community
Deadline is Wednesday May 14th.

For more information email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org, or contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646.



Camp Gallagher Update

Did you or your teens ever attend beautiful Camp Gallagher on the South Puget Sound? Did attending Gallagher deepen your relationship with God, nature and others? Find out what is happening today to the camp by visiting the website www.campgallagher.org or attending one of the upcoming meeting, Saturday, May 30, 10 am – 12 @ St. Joseph Parish.

JOIN US

Resource Fair for Adult Children & Their Aging Loved Ones

Sunday May 31st 10 am - 1 pm
St. Joseph's Parish Hall
732 18th Ave E Seattle, WA 98112

Meet 20+ local resources dedicated to serving seniors and their adult children. Assisted Living, Memory Care, Independent Living, Geriatric Care Management, Home Care, Placement Services, Senior Moving Experts, Senior Transitions Real Estate Expert, Medical Services, Alzheimer's Association, Art & Fitness Programs, Counseling Programs, Home Health, Hospice, Long Term Care Insurance Specialist, Hearing Speech & Deafness Center, and much more.

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PARISH LIFE

Breathing the Water

a celebration of Denise Levertov Levertov Festival

Denise Levertov was a great 20th century American poet and a parishioner at St Joseph in the 1990s. She wrote about faith, her love of the Northwest and her passionate belief in social justice. Fr. John has often quoted Levertov in his columns and homilies. On May 16, Choral Arts, a choir in residence at St. Joseph, will present the world premiere of Seattle-based composer John Muehleisen's setting of Levertov's poem "Making Peace." In conjunction with the concert, St. Joseph is sponsoring a citywide celebration of Levertov's legacy. Events that are free and open to the public, include talks, readings, films and a walk to Levertov's gravesite at Lake View cemetery. Concert tickets are available through Choral Arts; students with i.d. are always admitted free to Choral Arts concerts.

May 14 (Thursday): Levertov Evening, Elliot Bay Bookstore, 7 PM

Director of Choral Arts Robert Bode and composer John Muehleisen discuss setting Levertov to music. Poets Emily Warn, Jan Wallace and others read Levertov poems about music and art and discuss the poet's relationships to other arts.

May 16 (Saturday): Choral Arts Concert and Levertov Celebration Reception 6:15 - 9 PM

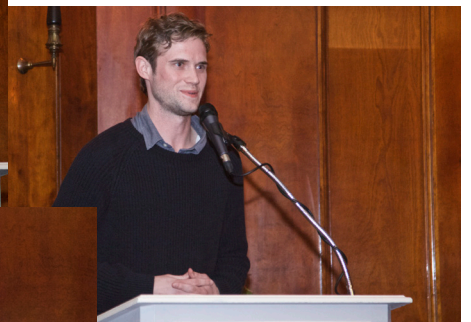
6:15: Reception (Arrupe Room) Brief reading, display of Levertov artifacts, presentation of City of Seattle Proclamation of May 16 as Denise Levertov Day

7:30: Preconcert conversation (Church) with Choral Arts Director, Robert Bode; composers Melinda Bargreen and John Muehleisen and writer Rebecca Brown.

8: Concert (Church) Tickets available through Choral Arts.

For more information, visit our website - <https://www.stjosephparish.org/2298/breathing-the-water.html>

Photos by Father John, from the Levertov evening at the Sorrento Hotel





St. Joseph's Parish Weekend Men's Retreat

Resurrection:

Opening Up to the Gift of New Life

Join us for a weekend of prayer, reflection, relaxation and fellowship
Leadership Team includes: Mike Burgess, Rob Carroll, Brian DesRoches,
Vince Herberholt, Fisher Key, Fr. Pat O'Leary SJ and Dave Spicer

Friday, May 29, 7:30 pm – Sunday, May 31, 12:00 pm

Dumas Bay Centre

3200 SW Dash Point Rd., Federal Way, WA 98023

\$160 registration includes lodging and meals (Saturday Breakfast – Sunday Breakfast)
Partial Scholarships are available.

We need a minimum of 20 guys to go and a maximum of 35 participants.

Sign up is on a first come, first pay basis.

Accommodations are simple and rustic! Bring a sleeping bag or bedding.

All participants must be 21 or older.

For more information and to register contact:

Dn. Steve Wodzanowski | stevew@stjosephparish.org | 206-965-1646



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

April 27, 2015

Dear Friend of St. Joseph, Peace of Christ!

"There are two ways of thinking and of having faith: we can fear to lose the saved and we can want to save the lost. Even today it can happen that we stand at the crossroads of these two ways of thinking. The thinking of the doctors of the law, which would remove the danger by casting out the diseased person, and the thinking of God, who in his mercy embraces and accepts by reinstating him and turning evil into good, condemnation into salvation and exclusion into proclamation."

When Pope Francis spoke these words to the Cardinals he had just installed, he could just as well have been describing the work of the Spirit at St. Joseph Parish. Each day—through homilies and e-blasts; through Children's Faith Formation and Women's Ministry; through our companionship with Martin de Porres and Westside Baby—the Parish community at St. Joseph seeks to embrace with mercy all of God's beloved people. We seek to be the Church we are meant to be: open to the world, welcoming to all, challenging and challenged by the Gospel.

The Annual Catholic Appeal—in which the People of God at St. Joseph support the ministries and communities of the Archdiocese—is central to our achieving this vision of mercy that goes beyond the doors of our church. 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, each of us and all of us embrace those whom the rest of the world so often overlooks. This year, the St. Joseph Parish assessment for the ACA is \$143,986. 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 show itself ready to help both the local and the larger Church. Our witness, so important to Catholics throughout this region, relies upon each person's willingness to act as part of this community.

To all of you who have given to the ACA in the past, thank you! Your generosity has done great good for the ministries of the Archdiocese. **In the coming year, please note that any monies raised beyond our goal will be used to support our booming Children's Faith Formation, through the renovation of space and supplementing of needed resources.**

(Please see reverse side.)


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Since my arrival at St. Joseph six years ago, I have been moved by the gracious and generous support given by this community to causes both local and across the world, and so I feel confident in inviting you, again, to discern what God may be asking you to do to proclaim the mercy of Christ, both in our Parish and in the larger Church.

With blessings and hope,



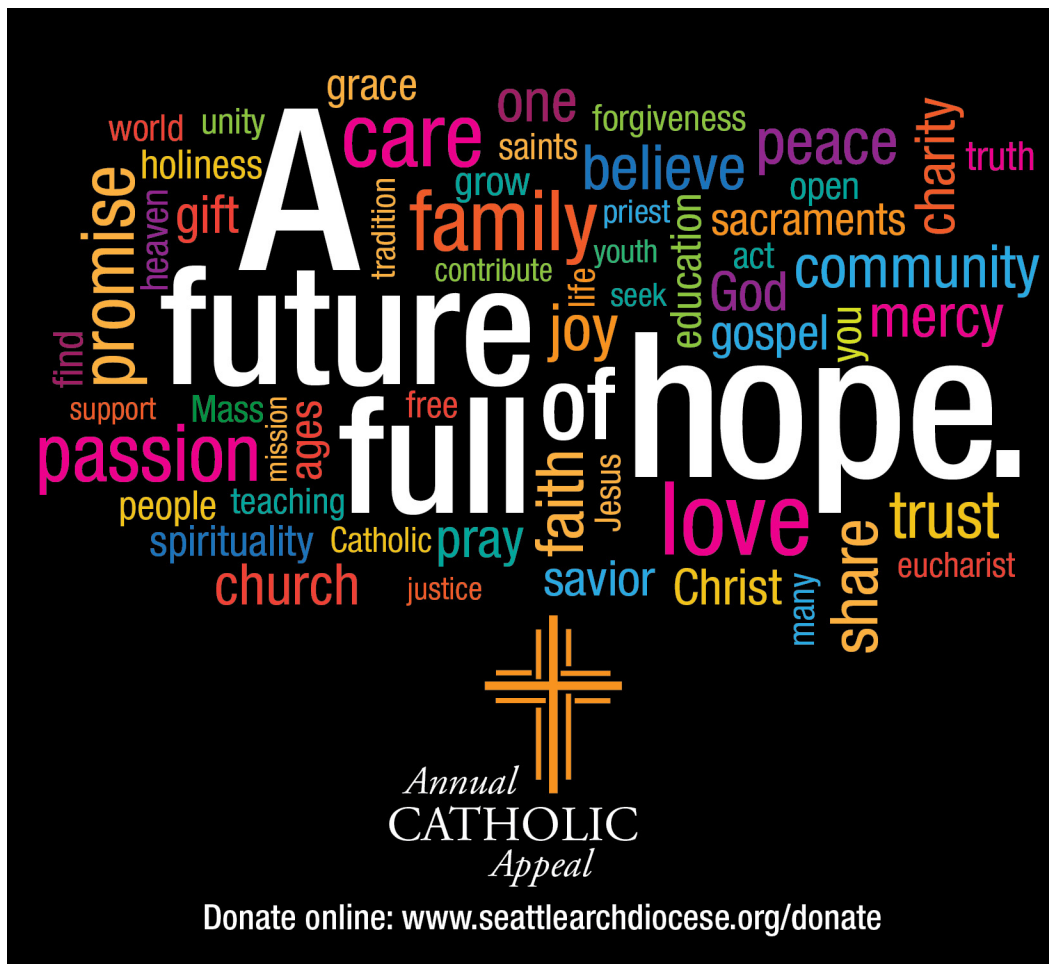
John D. Whitney, S.J.

P.S. I am aware that some would prefer not to give directly to the Archdiocese. Please know that you may also support the ACA with a gift to St. Joseph Parish, noting that it is given in lieu of your gift to the ACA. We will then send a single check, with these gifts, to the Archdiocese, noting any reasons you may wish me to pass along. My strong desire is that you give for the good work to be done, but that you also feel comfortable in that gift.

To make your ACA gift directly to the Seattle Archdiocese: go to

<http://www.seattlearchdiocese.org/Stewardship/ACA/Donate.aspx> or submit your completed ACA envelope in any of the weekly collections.

To make your ACA gift through St. Joseph Parish: go to www.stjosephparish.org, or submit your gift during Mass or at the Parish Center, noting on the gift that it is for the ACA, but you do not want your gift information shared.



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Donate online: www.seattlearchdiocese.org/donate

FAITH JUSTICE



Opportunity To Serve St. Francis House

Approximately 9,000 people in King County are homeless, living in shelters, under freeways, in doorways and in cars. They are men, women and children. Veterans, the mentally ill and the unlucky. Then there are the thousands and thousands of working poor in the Seattle area who are barely scraping by.

St. Francis House is established in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi to be a presence in Seattle, to serve those in need and to inspire simplicity and charity in its volunteers and those they serve. Every weekend at Mass we invite those children and adults from our parish who've brought food to donate to come to the altar and place it in the basket.

Starting Mon, June 22 through September 30, help is needed at St. Joseph Parish Center sorting the weekend food collection for Francis House. This volunteer opportunity would occur EVERY OTHER MONDAY MORNING for about 1 hour and is an easy way to satisfy required service hours.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Mary Ott at ottjim4@gmail.com or 206-324-7459.



FAITH FORMATION

CYO Fall Soccer

Soccer begins next fall, but registration is happening now and closes June 13th. Please visit the following link now: <http://www.stjosephsea.org/soccer/>



Open to incoming kindergarten thru 8th graders at our parish or parish school.

Donations Needed

SPRING CLEANING? GOT SOMETHING TO DISCARD? DONATE AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Consider donating to the Pregnancy & Parenting Support (PPS) program for our Yard Sale on June 13, 2015!

We are currently accepting donations for our 1st Annual Yard Sale, and would gladly receive some of your new or gently used items. We accept clothing, bedding, toys, household items, kitchen stuff, wall hangings, jewelry, video consoles/games, small appliances, and furniture. Please leave your donations in the box at designated CCS Offices.

THANK YOU FOR BEING A CHANGE PARTNER!!

For more information on PPS programs, visit our website at www.ccsww.org or Facebook at Pregnancy & Parenting Support. Call 206-707-1501, or drop off donations at 4250 S. Mead Street, Seattle 98118.

Children's Faith Formation (CFF)

Our last class is next Sunday, May 17. Classes will celebrate in their individual classes with their teachers and Sunday school buddies. We have had a great year—please try and make it and say “thank you” to these great adult and youth volunteer teachers.

“Happy is the soul that knows how to find Jesus in the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in all things!”

~St. Peter Julian Eymard

First Communion Weekend 2015 - THANK YOU!

There are so many people who made last weekend's First Communion masses beautiful and special. Thank you to the following people: CFF2 teacher Viki Lawton and the parish schools 2nd grade teachers Grace McLaughlin, Kesslie Hollingshead, Dorothy Ambuske, and Mary Guerra and CFF1 teacher Monica Alquist all whom greeted the children, lined them up for the processional, put up pew markers, brought up the gifts, and were generally "go to" people the day of; Cristina Murphy and Siobhan Cavens for double duty of making the beautiful pew markers and correcting binders; Renee Leet and Caprice Sauter for their expertise in certificate making; the middle school youth group Pathfinders for wrapping the chalices and gifts; Bob McCaffrey Lent and Will Gerhardt for accompanying the children as they sang their post-Communion song (and for all the joyful music throughout the masses); Shannon Tobin, Kerri, Mia and Logan Soli, Kristen DuPont, Joe Augustavo, David Hein, Nick and Ben Heymann, and Kevin and Camille Murphy for the great hospitality during the post mass receptions; Erin Tobin for her care and hard work; Maura Whalen (Casablanca Flowers) for the most gorgeous center pieces and processional roses; Toan Le and Terrence Cronin for exceptional photography.

