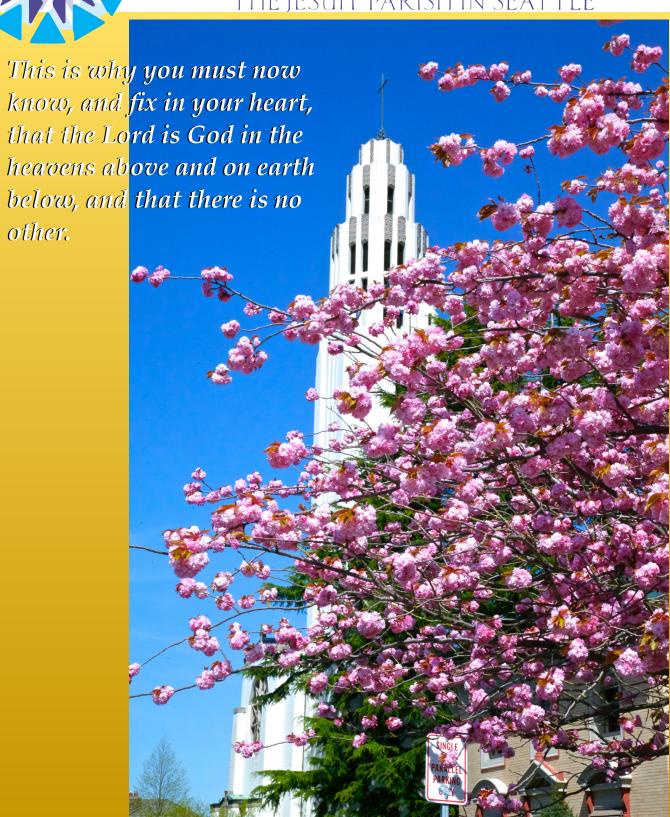
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St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY May 31, 2015

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

Readings for June 7, 2015

FIRST READING: EXODUS 24:3-8 SECOND READING: HEBREWS 9:11-15 GOSPEL: MARK 14:12-16, 22-26

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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Becoming the Trinity

Recently, struck by reports of mass killing of refugees in Burma and an on-going genocidal war in Central Africa, of violence by ISIS in Iraq and Boka Haram in Nigeria, I returned to a book I read more than a decade ago about the once unimaginable Rwandan massacres, "We Regret to Inform You That Tomorrow We Shall Be Killed With All Our Families." This book's title comes from a letter written to a pastor by a member of his congregation, who did not know that the pastor, at that moment, was leading the group who was about to massacre the writer and his family. Indeed, throughout the book, there are countless stories of priests and ministers, religious women and lay leaders betraying the people with whom they worshipped—giving up their neighbors and their companions to the forces of race-hatred and the pressure of mob rule. In one particularly heartbreaking story, two Rwandan religious sisters two nuns—were convicted of genocide for participating in the killing and burning of people who had come to them, originally, for refuge and protection. That vowed religious could be involved in such horrendous acts as these should not, I suppose, surprise me, and today, perhaps it would not. Yet, reading this passage again, I am still struck by the defense, offered by the nuns for their actions: "We did what we could reasonably do in the situation. We are not heroes; we are just ordinary women."

"We are not heroes; we are just ordinary women." What an odd thing to say after helping hack to death and then burn hundreds of men, women, and children. What a strange, sad world in which we live, when people see such collusion with death as part of the "ordinary;" when people who call themselves Christian cannot find the courage to choose life, cannot recognize that sometimes heroism is the only stance possible if we are to honestly bear that name. It seems impossible to imagine that people of faith could behave in such a way. Yet, if we are honest with ourselves, has not this very way of thinking become the norm in the years since the Rwandan massacre so shocked our senses? With indeterminate detention and the rendition of prisoners, with the torture of detainees and drone attacks on civilian areas, with Europe's indifference to the refugees of Africa and the Church's indifference to the victims of abuse, have we not all justified ourselves by citing our fear and claiming that we have done what we "reasonably" could do?

But what if something more than reason is demanded of us? What if we are made to be something more than merely ordinary? What if, at the very ground of our being, there is a grace and a power that calls us, moves us, empowers us to be as Christ Jesus was: to be women and men capable of the Cross, destined for the Resurrection? What then?

This week, the Church celebrates the feast of the Most Holy Trinity—the recognition of a doctrine we may well acknowledge as central to our faith, but which tends to leave us a bit glassy-eyed when we are asked to think about it. The Trinity is an mystery, we assert. Thus, there is nothing we can say about it that will make much sense, and even less about it that has any effect on our life in the world. All of which may be true, so long as we think of the Trinity only as a description of the metaphysics of God—i.e., three persons in one being—and not, also, as description of God's action.

St. Ignatius, in what could well be a definition of the Trinity, once wrote, "Love consists in the mutual sharing of goods, for example, the lover gives and shares with the beloved what he possesses." The Trinity is the active love of God. From all eternity, the Father loves, not in emotion alone, but in life-giving action—constantly pouring out the fullness of his very self, his Spirit, upon the beloved Son. And the Son, returning fully that love, that Spirit which he has received, returns to the Father all that he is. This cycle of gift and return, this eternal cycle of love, is the life of God-the life which springs forth in all that love can create: in the beauty of the universe; in the complexity of biology and the simplicity of mathematics; in the life of every woman and man, made in the image and likeness of God, to love and live as God does. This cycle of love is the Trinity, is God, and is the life into which we are invited, and with which we are all empowered.

What God desires for us is what God *lives* in the depths of the Trinity—that each of us might receive, that each of us might *become*, the fullness of God. God desires us and draws us into the eternal cycle of gift and return. This desire becomes visible in the world itself, charged with the power of the Spirit and glory of God. It is seen in the Incarnation of Jesus, whose message of love is his presence among us, and whose gift to us is not in words or things alone, but in his own body and blood—given on the Cross at Calvary and then, sacramentally, in the Eucharist. Far from reasonable or ordinary, God desires us to be more than ourselves, to be in communion with God; just as God—Father, Son, and Spirit—is eternally in a communion of life-giving love, of redemptive grace, and generative mercy.

What keeps us, then, from living in the communion of the Trinity? It is not that the Trinity is a mystery, for the Trinity is a mystery not in the sense that it has parts that are unknown—it is not like a murder mystery where we have not yet picked up all the clues. Rather, the Trinity is a mystery because it is *unfathomable*—because, like all love, the more deeply one enters into the cycle of the Trinity, the more depth and richness one discovers. No, it is not the mystery that keeps us from living as people of the Trinity, but our own fears and hesitancies.

As Scripture says, "The love of God has been poured into our hearts," but our hearts refuse to receive it. We block this gift with thoughts of vengeance dressed up as justice, with cruelty and cowardice dressed up as self-preservation, with our conviction that we are just "ordinary" and so cannot love as we have been loved. We

live so full of fear for what we might lose, that we cannot surrender to God the fullness of our hearts.

But God will not give up. In Jesus, who surrendered himself fully to God on the Cross, we have irrevocably entered the divine circle. We have moved into the unfathomable waters, and that mystery is now our mystery. It will unfold, a little more, each time we overcome fear to offer love or to receive love; each time we join with Jesus in the sacrificial gift of his body and blood, each time we welcome and are welcomed at the altar; each time we allow ourselves to be what we are meant to be: extraordinary women and men, alive and life-giving, through the love and grace of God.



Summer Mass Time Change

Please note that our Mass times will change for the summer on June 21, 2015, to one Mass on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am. Saturday Mass at 5:00 pm and Sunday evening Mass at 5:30 pm will stay the same.

Please join us!

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.

While you're registering you are also welcome to sign up for our weekly e-newsletter about happenings in our Parish by clicking on "Sign Up for Our eNewsletter" and sharing your email address. Should you have any question, whatsoever, please don't hesitate to contact Jack at jackh@stjosephparish.org, or 206-965-1653

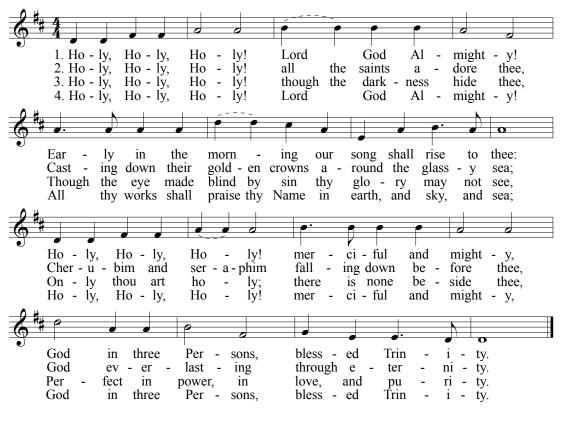
Are you interested in finding out more about St. Joseph Parish and the Catholic Church? Whether you are baptized in another denomination, have never been baptized and are exploring Christianity for the first time, or are a former Catholic pondering a return to the Church, we are happy to talk with you, 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

ORDER OF CELEBRATION THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Entrance Song

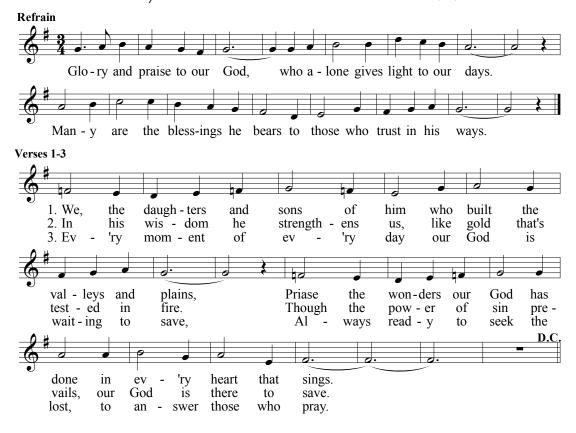
Holy, Holy, Holy #474 (5&11)

NICEA Dykes/Heber



Glory and Praise To Our God #522 (9)

Dufford



Cantor: Glory to God in the highest,

ALL: and on earth peace to peoplé of good will. We praise you, we bléss you, we adóre you, we glorify you, we gíve you thanks for yóur great glory, Lord God, héavenly King, O God, almightý Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begótten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Són of the Father, you take away the sins óf the world, have mércy on us; you take away the sins óf the world, recéive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Fáther, have mércy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone **áre** the Lord, you alone are the Most **Hígh**, Jesus Christ, with the Holy **Spí**rit, in the glory of God the Father. **Á**men.

First Reading

Moses said to the people:

"Ask now of the days of old, before your time, ever since God created man upon the earth; ask from one end of the sky to the other: Did anything so great ever happen before? Was it ever heard of? Did a people ever hear the voice of God speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and live? Or did any god venture to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, with strong hand and outstretched arm, and by great terrors, all of which the LORD, your God, did for you in Egypt before your very eyes? This is why you must now know, and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God in the heavens above and on earth below,

You must keep his statutes and commandments that I enjoin on you today, that you and your children after you may prosper, and that you may have long life on the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you forever."

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40



Responsorial Psalm

and that there is no other.

Psalm 33

Gelineau



Cantor sings first then assembly repeats.

Second Reading

Romans 8:14-17

Brothers and sisters: For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Gospel Acclamation

Chant Alleluia



Gospel Matthew 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them. When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted. Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."





Glen Butterworth, S.J.

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.

Prayers of the Faithful

Assembly Response: Lord hear our prayer.



Voices raised to you we offer; tune them, God for songs of praise. Hearts and hands we bring in tribute for your gifts through all our days. Alleluia! Alleluia! Triune God to you we sing! Triune God to you we sing!

All creation joins to praise you earth and sky your works display. Art and music, gifts you lend us, we return to you today.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! God, Creator, source of life! God, Creator, source of life!

Christ, the song of love incarnate, touching earth with heaven's grace.

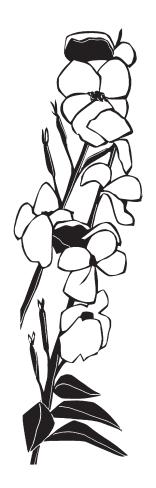
For your living, suffering, dying, for your rising hear our praise!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ redeemer, Lord of life! Christ redeemer, Lord of life!

Spirit flaming through creation, kindle faith within each heart.

Lift our voices high in chorus, through our hands your love impart.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Spirit, helper, breath of life! Spirit, helper, breath of life! Alleluia! Alleluia! Triune God to you we sing! Triune God to you we sing!



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.

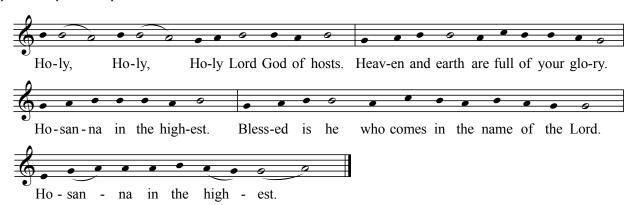
Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

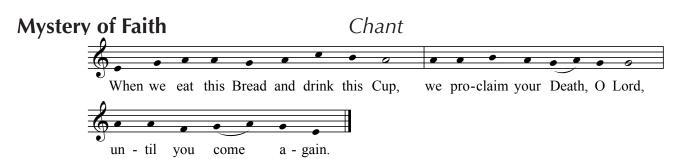
Assembly: It is right and just.



Holy, Holy, Holy

Chant

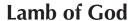




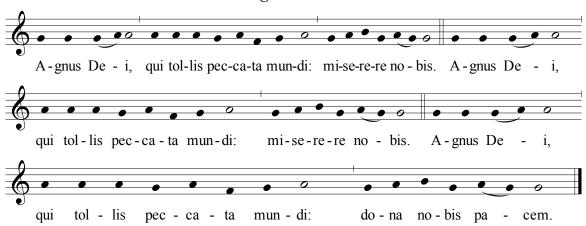


The Lord's Prayer Sign of Peace

Assembly greets one another: Peace be with you.



Agnus Dei



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.





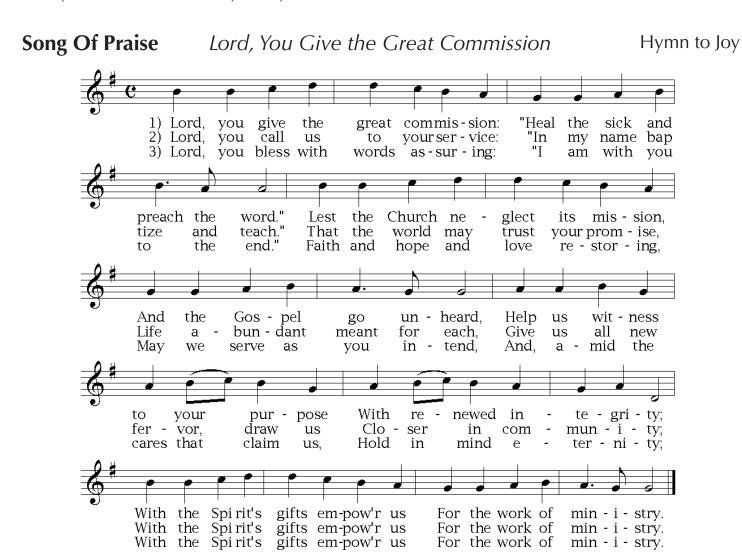
Communion Songs Go Out To All the World #112 (9)

Haas





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



Recessional

Instrumental

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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

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 PM Sacred Silence Prayer 7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Goup

Tuesday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

> We Are St. Joseph Events **Save The Dates!**

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

Wednesday

Daily Mass 7:00 AM

7:00 AM Yoga - Body In Prayer 7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

Thursday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:00 PM Holy Hour

Friday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

7:00 AM Men's Prayer Group

11:30 AM Healing Mass

Saturday

3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation

5:00 PM Vigil Mass



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Parish Holy Hour

Thusday, June 4th, 7-8 pm, join the Choose Life Ministry for a Rosary with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, in the Loyola Chapel of the Parish Center. Refreshments to follow.

All are welcome!

"What will save the world? My answer is prayer. What we need is for every Parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer."

-Mother Teresa of Calcutta

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers Prayer and hopes for the following intentions:

For a relative to have a successful donor match for a bone marrow transplant ... For people who are adjusting to their lives after a loss . . . For Gloria to regain feeling in her legs . . . For Michael's recovery and

rehabilitation after shoulder surgery . . . Grateful that Dennis has a clean bill of health . . . For the kindhearted who make a difference by their presence . . . Happy and blessed 90th Birthday, Helen.

"Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own."

~ *Psalm 33*

Rest in Peace

For the souls of Mary Phipps and Ann Petschl Kelly whose services were held at St. Joseph.

Parish Life

Seniors On The Go

Sunday, May 31st - Resource Fair at 10 am in the Social Hall. For Seniors and their families!

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. Join us for a sing-a-long with Bob McCaffery-Lent! For details contact Dolores Dorn at 322-2259 or Mary Ott at 324-7459.

Friday, June 12th - Seniors Planning Meeting, 11 am to 12. All are welcome to attend.

Upcoming Outings - Stay tuned for details

Wednesday, June 24th - Trip to LaConner and Swinomish Reservation.

Saturday July 25th – Scottish Highland Games – King County Fairgrounds/Enumclaw

Friday, August 14th - Snoqualmie Railroad Days

Lost & Found

For mislaid sunglasses left in church, please call Renee at 324-2522 ext. 100.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Calling all knitters and crocheters of all abilities and even beginners. We would love for anyone interested to join the Saint Joseph Prayer Shawl Ministry and help us continue our ministry of providing shawls and blankets to those in need of healing and prayer. Our next gathering will be **Thursday**, **June 4th from 7 to 8:30 pm**. Please join us and if you are a new knitter or crocheter we are happy to teach you.

If you have any questions or would like help getting started, please contact Jennifer Rothmeyer at jennifer-rothmeyer@hotmail.com



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

Potluck BBQ

Sunday June 7th - After the 5:30 pm Mass

Parish will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, potato salad and ice cream bars! Please bring your beverage of choice or salad/side dish to share.

All are welcome!!

Questions - contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

Women's Ministry

2015 St. Joseph Women's Fall Retreat "We Are One in the Spirit", September 25-27, 2015 at Camp Casey on Whidbey Island

SAVE THE DATE & INVITE A FRIEND! All women are welcome.

Eileen Flanagan, a spiritual writer, speaker, and activist, will be our facilitator. A former Peace Corps Volunteer, a graduate of Duke and Yale, a wife, and a mother, Eileen's new book "Renewable: One Woman's Search for Simplicity, Faithfulness, and Hope" is the story of a woman who, while trying to change the world, unexpectedly finds the courage to change her life. Won't you take a break, meet Eileen, and reconnect with the women of St. Joseph's on this weekend away?

To reserve your spot, contact Deacon Steve at stevew@ stjosephparish.org

To ask a question, contact Sheila Marie Sifferman at smarie49@comast.net

Seniors Creating Art



Let's Create Art!

Sketching in Watercolor and Ink

An art program by

Seniors Creating Art

Sponsored by The Norcliffe Foundation

Class Description:

Create beautiful sketches with ink and watercolor washes! With quick, easy techniques and simple materials, using an intuitive approach, we will create a "watercolor journal" as we learn to capture the essence of flowers, plants and everyday objects. We will begin with fun warm up exercises in pen and gradually layer in watercolor to make drawings pop!

Class Location
St. Joseph's Church

732 18th Avenue east, Seattle, WA 98112 Class Days and Times

Wednesdays
July 8, 15, 22, 29
August 5, 12, 19, 26
Time - 1-3pm

To Register contact: (206) 965-1646 class size limited to 15 participants

The mission of Seniors Creating Art is

to inspire hope and purpose for seniors by providing access to create art.

Please visit our website, **www.seniorscreatingart.org** for more information or to make a donation!

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What's Up With CYO Sports at St. Joseph?

Our St. Joseph CYO Sports program has a new Athletic Director! We welcome Mr. Robby Hayes to our community. Besides his work as A.D., Mr. Hayes will teach K-3 P.E. in our parish school. He comes to us with experience, having worked already in the Archdiocese as a coach and as one of the cross country commissioners with CYO Athletics. He will begin as Athletic Director this coming fall.

A huge thank you to the members of the CYO Board for their work this year: retired A.D. Jordan Howell, Meg Wolfe, Mike and Patrice Theisen, Debbie Duffy, Trish McGonigle, Joe Augustavo, Bruce Mirkin, Carlos de la Torre, Ann Marie Skov, Doug Skrobut, Brooks McMahon, & Liz Pauldine. They have been wonderfully generous to our young people and should be applauded by all of us!

A few other notes about CYO at St. Joseph. Because the structure and needs of the CYO program has shifted, instead of the current board structure we are creating an Appeals Board, to deal impartially with issues that may arise. The Appeals Board, will communicate directly with the Pastor and will help settle disputes over structures and practices that cannot be worked out with the Athletic Director. CYO Sports continues to operate with volunteer sport coordinators for grades K thru 5, and now the A.D. will directly oversee the 6-8 grade sports. We are the largest CYO program in the Archdiocese and look forward to having participation from our parish and school youth athletes, along with adult volunteer coaches. For more information, please contact Dottie

Farewell at dfarewell@ stjosephparish.org



Children's Faith Formation 2015-2016

The CFF program continues to flourish with the participation of so many children and youth in grades Pre-K thru Junior High. This past year, we had almost 250 students, a volunteer staff of 8 teachers for each class, many volunteer parent assistants, and 15 high school helpers. This definitely is a program that takes many hands and hearts to provide strong and consistent faith formation for our youngest parishioners.

Looking to next year, we will have the following openings: CFF K (kindergarten), CFF 1 (first year of the two year Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist), CFF 3/4 (grade 3 & 4) co-teacher, CFF 5/6 (grade 5 & 6), and CFF Jr. High (scripture studies course). All materials, trainings and support are provided. If you are not yet able to jump in, but have teaching experience and would like to be a substitute, please let me know. For any and all inquiries you may reach Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652.

Ignatian Leadership Conference

Exploring an Ignatian Approach to Leadership Friday, July 31, 2015 I 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Seattle University (Campion Ballroom)

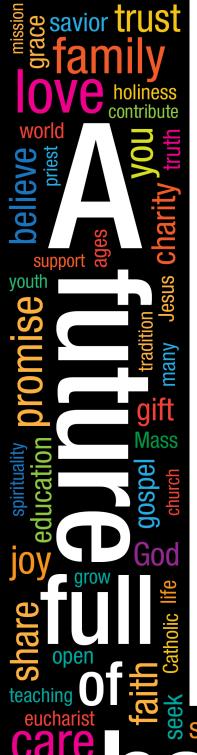
Explore the concept of Ignatian Leadership and how to apply and integrate Jesuit values and Ignatian practices into your personal and professional life.

Join leaders from various professional walks of life for this one-day conference to dialogue and learn tools to become a more effective, authentic Ignatian leader. There will be opportunities to learn about the role of self-awareness and personal discernment in leadership, healthy group decision-making and communal discernment, how to work for social justice and the Common Good as leaders, as well as a chance to discuss the role of love in leading. We also look forward to welcoming our keynote speaker, Fr. Scott Santarosa, S.J., Provincial of the Oregon Province of the Society of Jesus. Please join us!

Early Bird Rates before June 26th: General Admission - \$100 & Young Adult Rate - \$50. Partial scholarships are also available. Please email us at magis-rsvp@seattleu. edu with your questions. All are welcome! To register go https://www.regonline.com/ignatianleadershipconference

OUR COMMUNITY





Annual Catholic Appeal: A Gift that Keeps Giving

THANK YOU to those who have contributed to the 2015 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). The ACA gives St. Joseph Parish an opportunity to support the work of the wider church in Western Washington—the education of seminarians, support of retired priests and women religious, the work of Catholic Community Services, multicultural ministries, and so much more.

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,** our 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.

P.S. We are 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 us to pass along. Our strong desire is that you give for the good work to be done, but that you also feel comfortable in that gift.

Annual Catholic Appeal - WEEK 4

St. Joseph Parish ACA Assessment	\$143,986
Raised to Date	\$ 77,312
Percent of Goal Reached	54%
Percent Participation (206 households)	17%

If you haven't brought your envelope from home, envelopes are available in the pews in front of you. Please fill one out and drop it in the offering basket TODAY. Your gift (however large or small!) will make a real difference in the lives of those touched by the wider church in Western Washington. Thank you for your generosity!

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FAITH JUSTICE

Catholic Community Services

Pregnancy Support - Fundraiser Work Party Saturday June 6th - 10 am - 2 pm 4250 S. Mead St. Seattle - (St. Edward's Parish)

Pregnancy Support Services needs our help to prepare for a fundraiser Yard Sale to be held on June 27th. St Joseph volunteers will help sort, stage and price items. Donations for the yard sale are also welcomed including garden related items. To sign-up or for more information contact Joe Prusa at shejoprusa@hotmail or Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646

St. Francis House

Specific Items Needed

St. Joseph parishioners have generously donated food to St. Francis house for a very long time. All donations of non-perishable food are greatly appreciated, however there is a particular need for canned chili, baked beans, canned meat such as chicken or spam, and tuna fish. Peanut butter and jams/jelly are also favorites! Thank you for your continued support!

Do you want to make a difference in the life of a low income Senior or an Adult living with a disability?

Volunteer Chore Services

Volunteer Chore Services of Catholic Community Services needs you!! Become a long-term one –on- one volunteer, organize a group to clean up a yard or adopt a low-income Senior Housing facility! Opportunities in your neighborhood are available!

Contact Katrina Hale at katrinah@ccsww.org or 206.328.6858 to change the life of someone in need near you.

An update for St. Joseph parishioners on the work CRS is doing in Nepal.



Emergency Relief – Nepal Earthquake



Caritas Nepal/CRS distributions in Ghorko. Photo by Lake Lyell for Caritas/CRS



Coritus Nepol/CRS distributions in Gharles. Photo by Seo Handy/CRS

May 21, 2015

The people of Nepal were struck by a second powerful earthquake—ranked 7.3 on the Richter scale—on. May 12, just over two weeks after a 7.8-magnitude earthquake devestated the country and claimed more than 8,000 lives. A reported 117 people were killed in the May 12 temblor.

Across the Kathmando valley and in remote mountain areas, bomes, buildings and schools remain destroyed. While families are resourceful in clearing what they can, much of what they built in a lifetime perished in secunds. An estimated 288,798 homes have been fully destroyed and another 254,112 damaged. With the mousoon season starting in June, fears boom about the impact of rains on landslides and across to relief.

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NEPAL EARTHQUAKE: EMERGENCY RELIEF ACTIVITIES

"During the monsoon season, moving construction materials and relief goods will be very difficult or impossible. That's why we are working so fast to give families the materials they need right away – we know they need to make their emergency shelters as strong as possible, as quickly as possible, to make the rains more bearable."

- Jen Hardy, Regional Information Officer for CRS

The timeliness of humanitarian assistance is critical. A singular event like an earthquake, especially for those in impoverished parts of our world, can derail a family's stability, deplete a lifetime of savings and push them over poverty's edge. For communities, the devastation to infrastructure, economy and reserves can set back a generation. CRS has launched the following emergency response activities that will serve as a foundation for a more comprehensive recovery effort.

Emergency Shelter

The emergency shelter kit contains two durable tarpaulins measuring 24 m2, nails and tools. Families will receive communal tool kits for groups of four families, and technical assistance will be given to show them how to make a stable, safe, easy-to-assemble structure that is resilient to the monsoon rains. CRS will explore the possibility of a cash voucher for the most vulnerable families who cannot construct their own emergency shelter, so that they can hire a laborer to assist. Communities are located far from district centers, and it is difficult to transport items in trucks on the unpaved roads. CRS will explore cash-based options and provide households with transport vouchers that will enable them to access distribution sites. This approach will also allow CRS to increase the distribution rate, and create efficiencies in the supply chain. Families have already begun to recover salvageable material and CRS will provide technical expertise on safe demolition and reclamation of materials for reuse in reconstruction. Assistance will also be provided to categorize houses as a) needing to be demolished, b) damaged but repairable, or c) safe.

Emergency Sanitation

CRS and Caritas' technical assessment teams will rapidly assess the pre-existing sanitation status in each community and distribute sanitation repair kits (plastic latrine slab, nails, tie wire). CRS is planning that each targeted family has access to one emergency pit latrine and one emergency bathing area. Beneficiaries will construct the structures using salvaged items with the technical supervision of CRS/ Caritas WASH /shelter staff. District Development Committees, Village Development Committees and municipalities, which were the local government bodies responsible for providing water and sanitation facilities, will be consulted on how to achieve open-defecation-free areas given the earthquake destruction.

Emergency Water Supply and Repair

The water treatment kit includes water treatment tablets for 30 days and a 20-liter bucket with cover, and CRS provides awareness sessions at distribution sites for proper use of the kits. CRS technical staff also follow up with communities to ensure they are properly using the kits. CRS will ensure families have access to potable water in its areas of intervention. The earthquake has damaged some water systems, though the technical solution will vary from community to community. Emergency technical teams will quickly assess community needs and provide technical assistance, and prioritize and repair water systems. An emergency solution to secure access to safe water in rural hill areas includes repair of damaged transmission lines, hand pumps, communal water points, and damaged spring catchments.

Hygiene Promotion and Social Mobilization

Families will receive the materials needed to resume hygienic behavior, including bathing soap, laundry soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and towels. The hygiene promotion and social mobilization component will be a key and complementary component of water and sanitation, and shelter. Hygiene promoters' roles will initially be to follow up water and hygiene kit distributions, make sure that Aquatabs are properly used, and that oral rehydration solution is available and beneficiaries know how and when to use it. Promoters will be trained and ready to respond to cholera outbreaks during the monsoon season. As sanitation facilities are put in place, the hygiene promoters will encourage people to keep latrines and bathing areas clean and well maintained, and that messages on hand washing at critical times are given.

<u>Thank You.</u> Your support will help Nepalese families pick up the pieces and begin the recovery process. We will provide updates on the progress of emergency relief and recovery efforts as our teams expand their reach to those in need. Thank you for your support. We couldn't do our work without you.

