



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

Sunday, October 2, 2022 * Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time * www.stjosephparish.org



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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OCTOBER 2, 2022

Mass Times: 5pm Saturday

9:00 AM Sunday

11:00 AM Sunday - Livestream w/ASL

on our YouTube channel (Available for viewing all week)

5:30 PM Sunday

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:30 to 4:30pm

Weekday Mass Schedule: Tuesday-Friday, 7am
YouTube & Parish Center

Readings for October 9, 2022

FIRST READING: HABAKKUK 1:2-3; 2:2-24

SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 1:6-8, 13-14

GOSPEL: LUKE 17:5-10

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BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

TUESDAY OCTOBER 4TH @ ST JOSEPH CHURCH 6PM

Bring your pets (or stuffed animal!)
for a blessing on the Feast Day of St
Francis of Assisi. We'll be on the
front lawn of the church on 18th Ave.
Everyone is welcome!



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SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 15, 2022



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TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

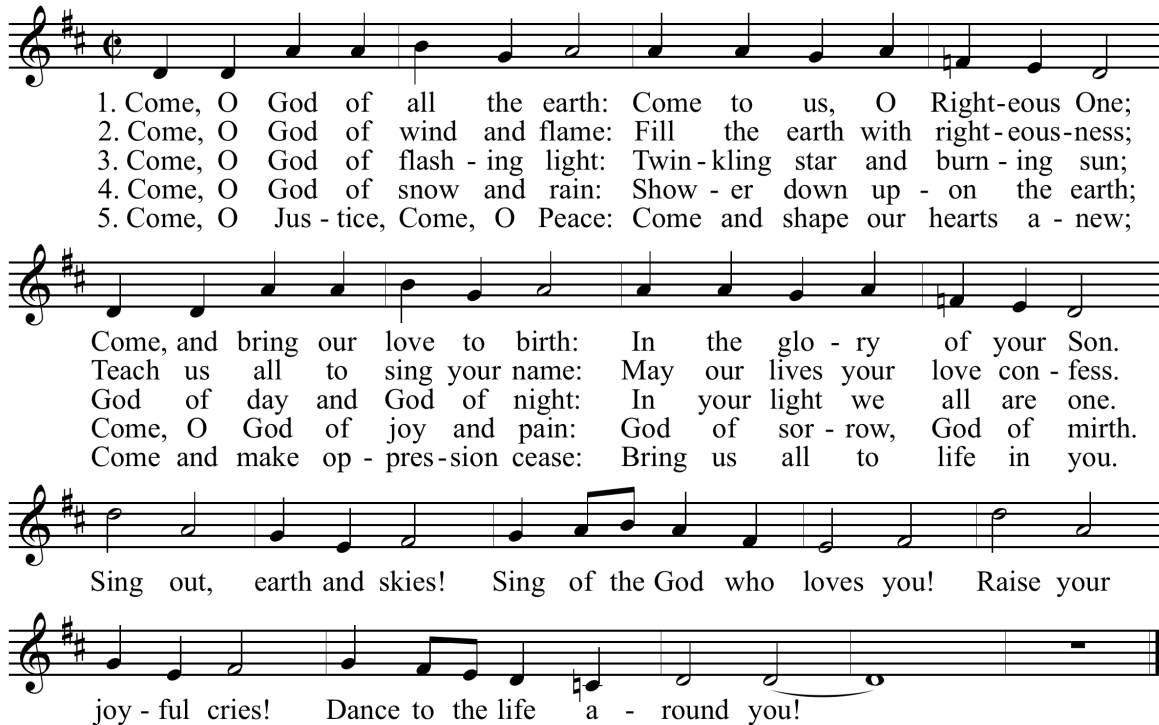
Presiding

Chris Cartwright, S.J.

Procession

Sing Out, Earth and Skies!

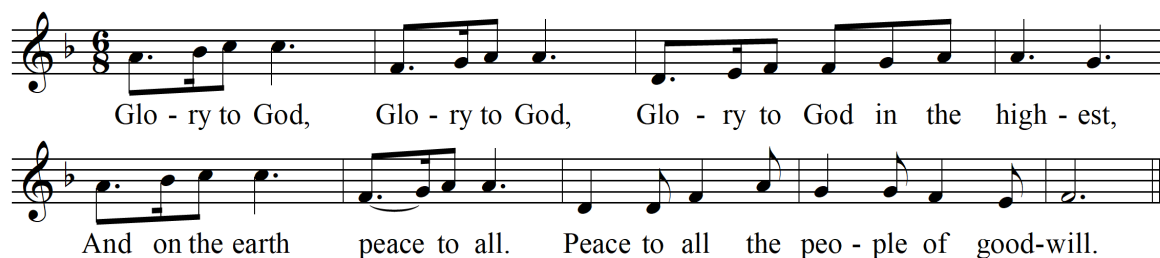
Haugen



1. Come, O God of all the earth: Come to us, O Right-eous One;
2. Come, O God of wind and flame: Fill the earth with right-eous-ness;
3. Come, O God of flash - ing light: Twin - kling star and burn - ing sun;
4. Come, O God of snow and rain: Show - er down up - on the earth;
5. Come, O Jus - tice, Come, O Peace: Come and shape our hearts a - new;
Come, and bring our love to birth: In the glo - ry of your Son.
Teach us all to sing your name: May our lives your love con - fess.
God of day and God of night: In your light we all are one.
Come, O God of joy and pain: God of sor - row, God of mirth.
Come and make op - pres - sion cease: Bring us all to life in you.
Sing out, earth and skies! Sing of the God who loves you! Raise your
joy - ful cries! Dance to the life a - round you!

Gloria

Lynch



Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est,
And on the earth peace to all. Peace to all the peo - ple of good-will.

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.

First Reading

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

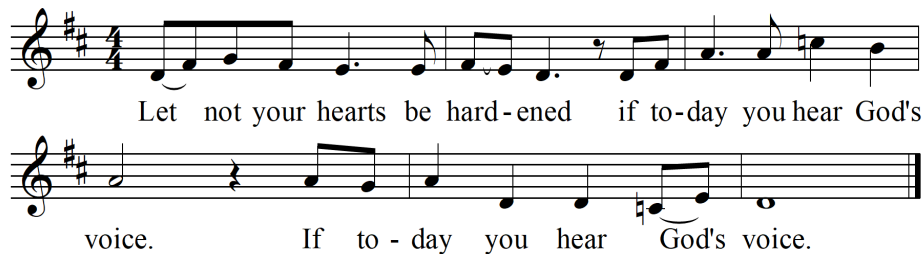
How long, O LORD? I cry for help
but you do not listen!
I cry out to you, "Violence!"
but you do not intervene.
Why do you let me see ruin;
why must I look at misery?
Destruction and violence are before me;
there is strife, and clamorous discord.

Then the LORD answered me and said:
Write down the vision clearly upon the tablets,
so that one can read it readily.
For the vision still has its time,
presses on to fulfillment, and will not disappoint;
if it delays, wait for it,
it will surely come, it will not be late.
The rash one has no integrity;
but the just one, because of his faith, shall live.

Psalm

Psalm 95

Warner



Come, ring out your joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. *Ref.*

Come, let us bow and bend low; kneeling before our Creator.
For the Lord is our God, we his people, the flock that is led by his hand. *Ref.*

Oh, that today you would hearken!
Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert,
when your ancestors tested me. *Ref.*

Second Reading

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Beloved: I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake; but bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit that dwells within us.

Gospel Acclamation

O'Carroll/Walker



The word of the Lord remains forever. This is the word that has been proclaimed to you.

Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here immediately and take your place at table'? Would he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished'? Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

Homily

Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

Prayer For Guidance

Talbot

Offertory Song

Choral: Touch the Earth Lightly

Murray/Alonso

Touch the earth lightly, use the earth gently, nourish the life of the world in our care:
gift of great wonder, ours to surrender, trust for the children tomorrow will bear.

We who endanger, who create hunger, agents of death for all creatures that live,
we who would foster clouds of disaster – God of our planet, forestall and forgive!

Let there be greening, birth from the burning, water that blesses and air that is sweet,
health in God's garden, hope in God's children, regeneration that peace will complete.

God of all living, God of all loving, God of the seedling, the snow and the sun,
teach us, deflect us, Christ reconnect us, using us gently, and making us one.

Online Giving

Scan this QR code to make
a one-time gift to St. Joe's



Holy, Holy, Holy

Storrington Mass

Haugen

A musical score for the hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy". It consists of five staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature of 4/4.

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.

ALL ARE INVITED TO COME FORWARD

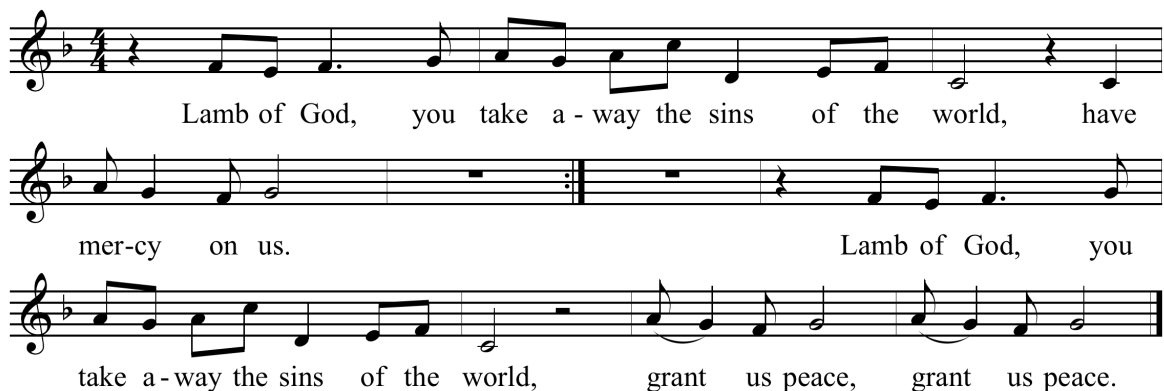
During communion, we invite all to come forward. If you do not ordinarily receive Eucharist, or choose not to, come for a blessing, indicating your desire by putting your hand on your heart. If you have need of a gluten free host, please come to the Presider and make that known.

Mystery of Faith



Save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your
Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

Lamb of God

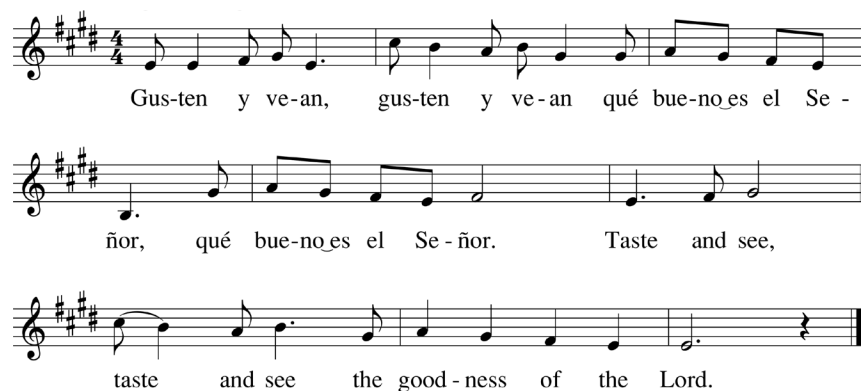


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion

Gusten Y Ve-an

Alonso

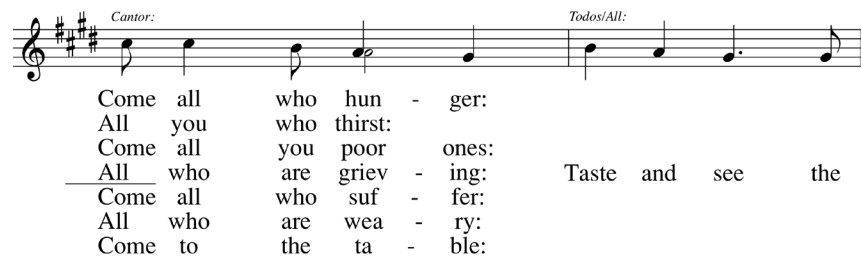


Gus-ten y ve-an, gus-ten y ve-an qué bue-no-es el Se -
ñor, qué bue-no-es el Se - ñor. Taste and see,
taste and see the good - ness of the Lord.

Estrofas / Verses



Cantor: 1. Ven - gan los ham-brien - tos:
2. Ven - gan los se - dien - tos:
3. Ven - gan los los po - bres:
4. Ven - gan los do - lien - tos: ¡Gus-ten y ve - an!
5. Ven - gan los que su - fren:
6. Ven - gan los can - sa - dos:
7. Ven - gan a la me - sa:



Cantor: Come all who hun - ger:
All you who thirst:
Come all you poor ones:
All who are griev - ing: Taste and see the
Come all who suf - fer:
All who are wea - ry:
Come to the ta - ble:

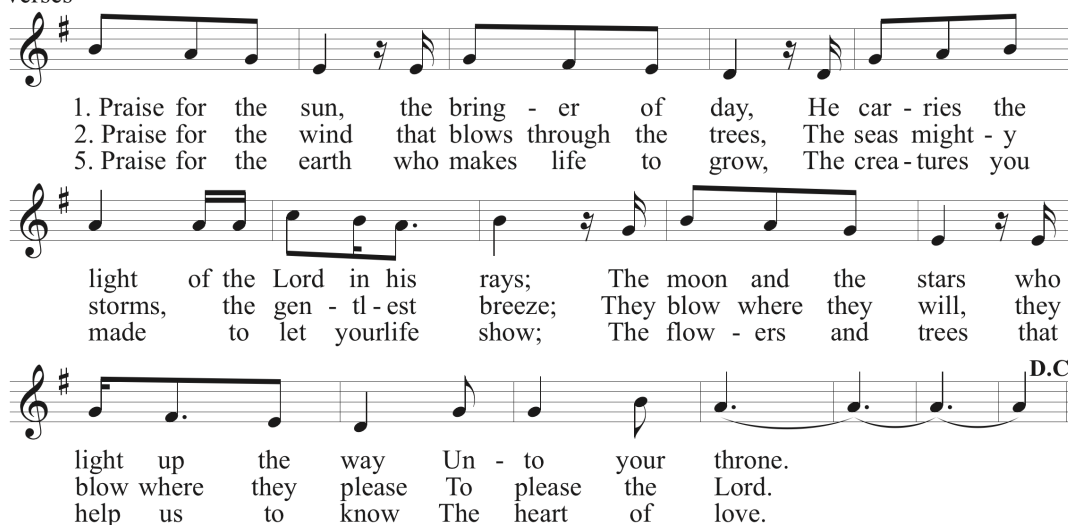


D.C.
good-ness of the Lord, qué bue-no-es el Se - ñor.

Refrain



Verses



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Kindergarten Information Night - Oct. 27th!

Have a little one coming to kindergarten soon? Come see what kindergarten at St. Joe's is all about. Hear from our Head of School, Director, amazing kindergarten team of teachers, as well as some current parents.

[Register here](#) or scan the QR code below!



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL
Kindergarten Information Night
October 27 @7:00 P.M.
Learn more here: www.stjosephsea.org/admissions

St. Joseph School is the only Jesuit, Catholic K-8 school in Seattle that teaches students to be lifelong learners who are inspired to use their gifts to serve others and positively impact the world.

Robust Financial Aid Program!

Scan to learn more



MINISTRY OF THE WEEK

Check this column each week for information about what's happening and how you can get involved!

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Together, Caring for Our Neighbors

Let us do without hesitation whatever good lies at our hands. — Frédéric Ozanam

The St. Joe's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul is our local chapter of the international aid organization. The pandemic over the past two-and-a-half years brought greater need for helping our neighbors on Capitol Hill and around Seattle cope with economic hardships. Recently, St. Joe's welcomed St. Patrick's parishioners into our community, and with it, their SVdP operations, parish boundaries, and a generous donation from the St. Pat's Jubilee Fund to help provide rent assistance to our newly expanded neighborhood.

St Vincent de Paul volunteers have the unique opportunity to provide a direct response to those who call for assistance. Your donations and continued support are the life blood of this ministry at St Joe's. However, new volunteers are needed to provide the people-power to help distribute the requested essentials to our neighbors. And with church operations beginning to expand into something resembling the "before times," it's more important than ever to support SVdP at St. Joe's and our combined neighborhood.

Are you interested in joining our work? Contact svdp@stjosephparish.org for more information, or talk to any of the ushers or SVdP members after Mass this week.

Next meeting: 7PM Wednesday, Oct 5th in the Parish Center

Click here to learn more about our network of care or click here or scan the QR code to donate to SvDP St. Joseph.

About St. Vincent de Paul: The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is 175 years old, and has had a presence at St. Joseph Parish since 1927. Run entirely by laypeople, the St. Joe's Conference of St. Vinnie's has volunteer members who help with intake and home visits. Historically, the group has focused on providing financial and material assistance to anyone within the parish boundaries, primarily with rent, utility, and grocery assistance.

A person in need of financial or other material assistance would call SVdP of King County, who would assign a parish conference to work with them, based on geographical proximation. If a call came within from the St. Joe's parish boundaries, a pair of volunteers from St. Vinnie's would head out to visit the caller. "It's more comfortable that way," Dan Tobin, longtime volunteer, explains. "The home visit is what makes us unique."

After the visit, the parish conference would determine what they could share with the neighbor, depending on the need and resources available. Another home visit, and assistance delivered!

Vincentian Dennis West recounts the transformative experience of working with St. Vincent de Paul during the pandemic:

"My volunteer efforts had been curtailed significantly due to work demands, but after being unceremoniously laid off due to economic and pandemic-related pressures facing my job sector, I found myself psychologically in a similar place as some of our Neighbors. Fortunately, the bi-weekly Zoom meeting and the community of Vincentians has been a true medicine of perspective and spiritual solace that has ameliorated my fears about COVID and unemployment.

Every day, we encounter individuals and families significantly affected by the pressures of this economy and pandemic - more than I could have imagined. Fellow parishioners have been exceedingly generous over the past year, but the St. Joseph Conference of Vincentians can't wait until we acknowledge your charity in person while holding a basket at the end of Mass on the first weekend of every month. "

FAITH FORMATION

Primary School Faith Formation Classes

Our Children's Faith Formation ministry is starting classes for grades 1-6 on October 9th! A parent orientation is scheduled during Sunday School time at 10:15 next Sunday, October 2, in the Social Hall.



Scan for Children's Faith Formation Information

Registration for CFF 1-6 is due by October 4. Now is the time to sign up online, if your child would like to prepare to receive their first Sacraments or further faith formation, all the way through 6th grade.

Contact Elisa Cooper for more info elisac@stjosephparish.org

Register here! <https://www.stjosephparish.org/79/youth-faith-formation-register-here.html>

Middle School Confirmation Registration is Open!

Are you a parent of a student receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? Now is the best time to check it out. **Students who are 13 years old or in 7th grade by the start of Confirmation preparation classes begin on Sunday, October 9th are welcome to sign up.**

Class is for students only and runs 12:15pm - 1:30 pm in the Mother Teresa Room in the Parish Center. All materials will be provided, as well snacks and refreshments each week. Please note that preparation classes will no longer be offered through St. Joseph School and will only be offered through the parish.

There is still time (and room) to sign up: <https://www.stjosephparish.org/3090/lets-get-started.html> Once logged in, you will find Middle School Confirmation under "CFF." If you have questions, please contact Samantha syanity@stjosephparish.org



High School Youth Group

High Schoolers: On Saturday, October 22 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center, we will be having a movie night! To vote on a movie or make a suggestion, please scan the QR Code. Bring your favorite movie snacks to share!

High Schoolers: We will be having an All Saint/All Hollows Eve (Halloween) themed youth gathering on October 30th after the 5:30 pm mass. The first half will cover the history of Halloween (Catholic history) and in the second half, we will have a pumpkin carving contest! Feel free to bring your own carving supplies (e.g. stencils) and/or your favorite Halloween treat to share!



Native Boarding Schools

Learning from History to Promote Healing

Sunday, October 23, 2022 at 2:30pm

Isaac Orr Room, 910 Marion Street *or join via Zoom*

In this presentation, Father Michael Carson will explore the history of the last 200 years—tracing where the concept of Native boarding schools originated, and how these institutions were rooted in the sin of racism and have left a path of destruction through Native culture and peoples.



St. George Residential School, Tacoma

In the second part of the presentation, Father Carson will take what we have learned from history and develop some working ideas to promote healing and counter the historic trauma of boarding schools. The presentation will focus on the areas that the USCCB is coordinating with the bishops at this time: the work to move beyond apologies to concrete areas of restoration and reconciliation.

Joining via Zoom? Link: <https://seattlearch-org.zoom.us/j/87613828120>
Meeting ID: 876 1382 8120

Sponsored by the Native American Advisory Circle and Multicultural Ministries of the Archdiocese of Seattle

FATHER MICHAEL CARSON is a priest of the Diocese of San Jose, California. He currently serves as Assistant Director for Native American Affairs with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. He has extensive experience with Native American culture, social justice and education. Father Carson's interest in Native American beliefs, values and culture comes from his grandfather. From his earliest days he received his spiritual and cultural grounding from his grandfather who was a full blooded member of the Louisiana Choctaw tribe. In Father Carson's current work with the USCCB, he coordinates ministry among the Native Americans throughout the country and serves as a liaison with the Bishop's Subcommittee on Native American Affairs, part of the USCCB Secretariat for Cultural Diversity.



Information, Deacon Carl Chilo, Archdiocese of Seattle, 206-382-4828 www.archseattle.org



Scan this qr code to register

FAITH JUSTICE



Afghan Adjustment Act

Action Alert: Afghan Adjustment Act



Immigration Summit Action

TAKE ACTION: On August 9, the Afghan Adjustment Act was introduced to Congress. While Congress is currently on recess, we are encouraging you to reach out to representative and senators, urging them to support the passage of Afghan Adjustment Act. [You can take action here.](#) Please spread the word within your community!

Other Advocacy and Action Items:

[Immigration Summit Action Alert](#) (from IPJC)

Learn more about current issues at www.JusticeForImmigrants.org

Discerning Deacons: Year of St. Phoebe Kick-Off Zoom

Join Discerning Deacons for a Year of St. Phoebe Kick-off Call and learn how YOU and YOUR community can make a difference during this critical year in our Church's history! As we enter the final year of the global synod, we have an unprecedented opportunity to support the Church's discernment about women and the diaconate.

This year, we'll be gathering in prayer, deepening our listening, strengthening our public witness, and bringing our local communities along as we grow a faithful witness to the Spirit-filled, diaconal ministry of St. Phoebe and to that of women around the world today. **Register today for the last Year of St. Phoebe Kick-off Call to explore your contribution to this movement and this moment.**

Thursday, October 6, 12-1:15 p.m. ET ([register here](#))





CELEBRATING
THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY
OF CANONIZATION

Mass in honor of St. Kateri Tekakwitha

October 22 | 11am
St. James Cathedral

Join us in person or watch livestream
[@ArchdioceseofSeattle](#)  

PARISH LIFE

The Path to Forgiveness

Join us for the annual
St. Joseph's Men's Retreat

• **Begins: Friday, October 28th:**
◦ Arrival – 4:00 pm
◦ Start Time – 7:30 pm Sharp
Ends: Sunday, October 30th ~ 11:00 am

• **Location: Archbishop Brunetti Retreat Center**
4700 Dash Point Road, Federal Way, WA 98023 | Carpooling Options | Bring toiletries

• **All Meals included on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday**
Bring snacks and beverages to share

- **Free Time on Saturday Afternoon**
- **Liturgy with Fr. Chris Cartwright**
- **Register to Reserve a Spot – Cost \$300**
- **Animators – Thomas Boehling, Vince Herberholt, Dan Quinn-Shea, Bob Rogowski, and Dave Spicer**



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Seniors Ministry

Join us!

Friday, October 7th – 11:30am, Anointing Mass followed by a delicious Oktoberfest luncheon. Our wonderful Senior luncheons are back! Please join us. Feel free to park in the parking lot and take the elevator up to the church. We're looking forward to seeing you.

Monday, October 17th – 10:30 am, Come play bridge with us. If you want to learn or are an experienced bridge player, we'd love for you to join us in the Parish Center.

Friday, October 28th – 10 am, Join us for the Seattle Weaver's Guild Show & Sale. This is more than just a sale! It gives you a chance to find that exceptional, one-of-a-kind item for your home, your office, your wardrobe, or that someone special in your life. You can see the process of weaving fabric and baskets, spinning yarn, and doing other fiber arts. You can talk to many of the artists whose work you admire.

The sale showcases one-of-a-kind handcrafted items, including towels, rugs, blankets, tapestries, wall hangings, sculptural baskets, handmade cards, accessories for pets, children's items, hats, bags, jackets, scarves, wraps, exquisite jewelry, liturgical weaving, and handspun and hand-dyed yarns along with weaving and spinning tools. Tell your friends and spread the word in your guilds. After the show we will head to lunch at Sugar's Bakery & Café. Meet at 10 am at the Parish Center, there is no charge for the show, but bring money for lunch. Email or call to reserve your spot, caprices@stjosephparish.org or 206.324.2522 ext. 100.

RACIAL JUSTICE



Please join us on Zoom for *The Doctrine of Discovery, the Catholic Church and Native Americans: Exploring a Path Toward Truth & Healing*

With Christin Tomy, OP

Dominican Sister of Sinsinawa



Presented by Christin Tomy, OP. Christin is a Dominican Sister of Sinsinawa. For several years, her work and interests have focused on the intersections between land, food, faith, and justice. She lived and worked at the Racine Dominican Eco-Justice Center in 2015-2016, which was excellent preparation for her subsequent role as Care for Creation Coordinator and Farm Manager at Sinsinawa Mound. Christin is currently working toward a Master of Divinity / MA in Systematic Theology at Catholic Theological Union. She professed perpetual vows in May of 2022.

**Saturday, October 15, 2022
9:00 – 11:30 a.m. CDT**

In recent years you may have heard about the Doctrine of Discovery, a series of 15th century Papal statements that were used to justify European colonization of the Americas.

- But what is the Doctrine of Discovery and does it really still matter today?
- What was its impact on Native American communities?
- How might we support a path toward truth and healing?

Together we will examine these and similar questions, with the goal of deepening our knowledge and commitment to justice for Native communities. In particular, we'll explore how our Dominican tradition provides both resources and a summons to undertake such a commitment.

Register online by Wednesday, October 12th at www.racinedominicans.org/dcjr/ or call (262) 898-4094. You will receive the Zoom link in your confirmation e-mail. Free will offerings can be made at the time of registration via Pay Pal or send a check to the Racine Dominican Finance Office (Attn. DCJR), 5635 Erie Street, Racine, WI 53402.



*Sponsored by the Dominican Sisters and Associates of Racine
Laudato Si' Action Team (LSAT)*



Becoming Anti-Racist: Filipino History Month

“A FULL LIFE FOR EVERY FILIPINO”

by Rogelio ‘Roger’ Rigor

“The thief comes only to steal, kill and destroy; I have come that they have life, and have it to the full...” (John 10:10)

“...we make game of the lives and liberties of their inhabitants; we promised civilization and we begrudged it, fearing that the natives aspire to a fuller life...” (Philippine National Hero, José Rizál, from his novel, *El Filibusterismo*)

One only has to look into the eyes of an elderly fisherman’s blank stare. Looking over piles of debris...of suffering...in hopeless resignation...ever watchful over the fate of his starving family; crouched under a narrow make-shift awning, all these from a devastating typhoon. Yet again, another typhoon. When once upon a time, the rain would bring everyone out for the planting season, rice farmers across his seaside hut would anticipate and engage in. These chores would easily turn into humble festivities, he longingly remembers those planting seasons.

In recent years, these yearly monsoons have become deadly; it now brings fear among many who devote their day-to-day existence from the bounties of the earth and the sea. Now, it is a matter of survival. For even if he, his family and the barrio endured an actual storm, it is in the weeks of anxious waiting for relief help that make many of them in their remote village literally starve to death. In fact, a few already have...

This is the reality that has become only too familiar among the poor and vulnerable of the world, the Philippines being one with a population of mostly hardy farmers and fishermen.

For the past three years, the [Foundation for Philippine Progress](#) has set its focus and attention upon these hamlets that hardly get immediate relief when calamities fall upon their fragile existence. As in the passage of John, the thief in the form of these natural disasters have come to wreak havoc in their simple lives...

The Foundation’s vision of providing education, health and human services, we knew, will be a long journey that can only be driven by a collective spirit of commitment, compassion and perseverance. We have been blest, so far, with bright and ready faces of volunteers and supporters this side of the Pacific. Quite a few have joined the effort lately: organizing fund raising events and education programs; seeking out willing donors and supporters, talking to other organizations, or doing speaking engagements in conferences, churches, or gatherings.

In recent responses these past months, the Foundation has established regional partners through the Foundation’s main conduit, the Citizen’s Disaster Relief Center (CDRC). [The Cordillera Disaster Response and Development Services, Inc.](#) on the ground is one regional partner, attending to the aftermath of the recent earthquake in Northern Philippines. There are still communities which they haven’t served yet. The Foundation also just concluded Community-Based Disaster Management Training in Barrio Lisondra, an island barangay in Surigao City in Southern Philippines, which was one of the areas severely hit by Super Typhoon Odette (Rai) in December 2021. This training is under FPP’s Livelihood and Recovery Project in the said area.

Our early recovery project team in Leyte, an island province in Central Philippines, has also delivered the first tranche of support (backpacks) to elementary to senior high school students in Barrio Kantagnos, Baybay City, Leyte. In the coming weeks, another team will go to the area for the commodity voucher (school uniforms) distribution. These activities are under our Early Recovery Project in Super Typhoon Agaton (Megi) that hit Leyte in April of this year. Aside from our response activities, CDRC is also busy organizing forums on Sexual & Reproductive Health Rights of Girls and Women in Emergencies.

Responses in the past included providing fishing boats to a village that lost theirs in the storm; setting up a water pump for clean water source and to provide an irrigation system for a remote farm that had water supply problems; sending medical missions amidst the pandemic crisis for remote barrios; responses to the Taal Volcano eruption that denuded fishing villages in its perimeter; vegetable seeds for 4 mountain barangays (Agsaman, Recare, Cagmanaba, and Dorillo) benefitting at least 350 families; a total of 12 swine were distributed to the 4 barangays, an additional income source for the farmer beneficiaries...and the list continues in the three years the Foundation has existed. Indeed, there will be more to attend to in the future, for we know that these calamities will now become the norm for a people who are already poor.

Climate change has been hardest on countries whose mass base depend mainly on agriculture and fishing. The Philippines is situated geographically within the storm belt of the Asian-Pacific Rim in southeast Asia. Infrastructure destruction and economic impacts through loss of livelihood can be debilitating.

As a long-time parishioner at St. Joseph, I've seen how the church has stood to be the Light on the Hill for many in our community facing issues that greatly affect their lives: from race to gender to homelessness, to incarceration and even to the needs of communities outside our community here in Seattle. St. Joseph's Ignatian spirit of empowerment and hope continue to do outreach for the vulnerable.

Through this Love, we draw our strength in facing perhaps the most compelling challenge of humanity: Nature taking its cue from years of constant abuse of its air, its water, and its environment. We come as a parish to provide and to be aware, that we heed to the many who are calling to seek out their share of a full Life.

Finally, we acknowledge that these are economically trying times for many of us. For this helping out to be sustainable in the long run, we simply ask sharing the Foundation's existence for as many as we can. If possible, engage in its programs; learn more about the Philippines, its people, or its rich history...and, perhaps in time, there will be a good number of us. A dollar multiplied in great number, instead of just from a few, can become a substantial amount. For in the Philippines, and in any poor nation, for that matter, no amount is ever small.

In closing, we continue to be blessed, in the Ignatian spirit of Love and Giving...and we thank you all!

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