



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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The Nativity of the Lord



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Welcome to St. Joseph

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Upcoming Mass Schedule

Saturday, 12/31 5pm

Sunday, 1/1 10am & 5:30pm

The weekend of January 7&8

we resume our normal Mass schedule of

Saturday, 5pm, Sunday, 9am & 11am,

5:30 pm



Welcome to St. Joseph Parish

Merry Christmas! We welcome you to St. Joseph Parish, a place where Everybody Belongs. Whether this is your first time with us or you've been a parishioner for decades, we are so grateful that you are joining us for this holy and joyous celebration of the Nativity of the Lord.

In the following pages of this bulletin, you'll find current events and liturgies, and also a listing of all our ministries and how you can connect!

About St. Joseph Parish: For more than a century, the community of St. Joseph Parish has been an example of God's presence in the world. *Ignited by the Eucharist to love & serve*, we are called to a passionate and personal relationship with God and our world.

A destination for Catholics in Seattle who are seeking a justice-driven parish that is focused on inclusion, St. Joe's is home to more than 1550 families and a second home to even more friends. Many of our parishioners are active volunteers in our ministries, contributing both time and talent to our three dozen ministries, undertaken to serve those in our parish and to the elderly, ill, and needy in our area. Our parish school enrolls 600+ children from kindergarten through 8th grade, as well!

Stay Up-to-Date!

New? Visiting? Interested? Are you visiting for the first time? Interested in knowing more about the ministries and activities at St. Joseph Parish? **Sign up for our weekly e-newsletter at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Sign up for our eNewsletter" link in the upper right corner of the homepage.**

Register! Are you a Catholic attending Mass at St. Joe's, yet haven't officially registered? Join us!

Why register? St. Joe's is a vibrant parish offering many avenues for ministry, connecting with other parishioners and spiritual development. We'd love to get to know you, connect with you, and inform you of our various activities, groups and events going on at the church. Pick up a registration form in the back of the church or go online to register at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Join Our Parish" link, or scan the QR code below.



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

10AM MASS

Choral: Gaudete

Refrain: Gaudete, Gaudete, Christus est natus ex Maria virgine, Gaudete.

Gentle Mary laid her child lowly in a manger; There he lay, the undefiled, to the world a stranger. *Ref.*
Such a babe in such a place, can he be the Savior? Ask the saved of all the race who have found his favor. *Ref.*
Angels sang about his birth, wise ones sought and found him; Heaven's star shown brightly forth, glory all around him. *Ref.*

Shepherds saw the wondrous sight, heard the angels singing; All the plains were lit that night, all the hills were ringing. *Ref.*

Gentle Mary laid her child lowly in a manger; He is still the undefiled, but no more a stranger. *Ref.*
Son of God, of humble birth, beautiful the story; Praise his name in all the earth, hail the King of glory! *Ref.*

O Little Town of Bethlehem

1. O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by;
Yet in the dark streets shineth The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight.
2. For Christ is born of Mary, And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep Their watch of wond'ring love.
O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth!
And praises sing to God the King, And peace to all on earth.
3. O holy Child of Bethlehem! Descend to us we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel.



Duet - Laudamus Te

Vivalde

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all you nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies;
With the'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord:
Late in time behold him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see: Hail the'incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
3. Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings.
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that we may no more may die,
Born to raise us from the earth,
Born to give us second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

Procession

O Come All Ye Faithful

1. O come, all ye faith-ful, joy-ful and tri-um-phant, O come ye, O
2. Sing, choirs of an-gels, Sing in ex-ul-ta-tion, Sing, all ye
3. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, Born this hap-py morn-ing, Je-sus, to
come ye to Beth-le-hem; Come and be-hold him, born the King of
ci-ti-zens of heav'n a-bove; Glo-ry to God in the
thee be all glo-ry giv'n; Word of the Fa-ther, Now in flesh ap-
12 an-gels; O come, let us a-dore him, O come, let us a-dore him, O
high-est;
18 pear-ing;

Gloria

1. Glo-ry to our God on high; peace to all on earth who dwell.
2. Je-sus, on-ly Son of God, Lamb of God, our sins you bear;
3. You a-lone, O Ho-ly One, You a-lone are Lord most high;
Migh-ty God and heav'n-ly King we wor-ship You, we give you thanks.
Sea-ted at our God's right hand,— show us mer-cy, hear our pray'r.
with the Spi-rit in God's glo-ry, now to you our voi-ces sing.
Glo-ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o.
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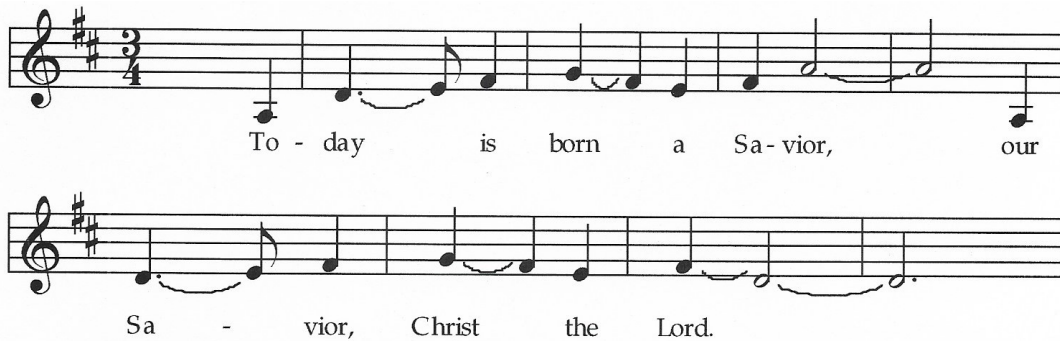
First Reading

Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of him who brings glad tidings,
announcing peace, bearing good news,
announcing salvation, and saying to Zion,
“Your God is King!”

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry,
together they shout for joy,

for they see directly, before their eyes,
the LORD restoring Zion.
Break out together in song,
O ruins of Jerusalem!
For the LORD comforts his people,
he redeems Jerusalem.
The LORD has bared his holy arm
in the sight of all the nations;
all the ends of the earth will behold
the salvation of our God.



Sa - vior, Christ the Lord.

Sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all you lands.

Tell all the nations the glory of God; tell of God's wonders to all. *Ref.*

Let earth and heaven rejoice; let all the oceans resound;
let the plains and all that is in them be glad, and the trees of the forest exult. *Ref.*

They shall exult before God who comes to rule the earth;
to rule the earth with justice and peace, and the peoples with constancy. *Ref.*

Second Reading

Hebrews 1:1-6

Brothers and sisters: In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets;
in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he
created the universe,

who is the refulgence of his glory,

the very imprint of his being,

and who sustains all things by his mighty word.

When he had accomplished purification from sins,

he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high,
as far superior to the angels

as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say:

"You are my son; this day I have begotten you"?

Or again:

"I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me"?

And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says:

"Let all the angels of God worship him."



Gospel Acclamation

Christmastime Alleluia

Chepponis



Gospel

Luke 2:1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child.

While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."



Homily

Fr. Chris Cartwright, S.J.

Profession of Faith

Apostles Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

All bow.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,

All stand upright.

suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

Online Giving


Scan this QR code to make
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Offertory Song

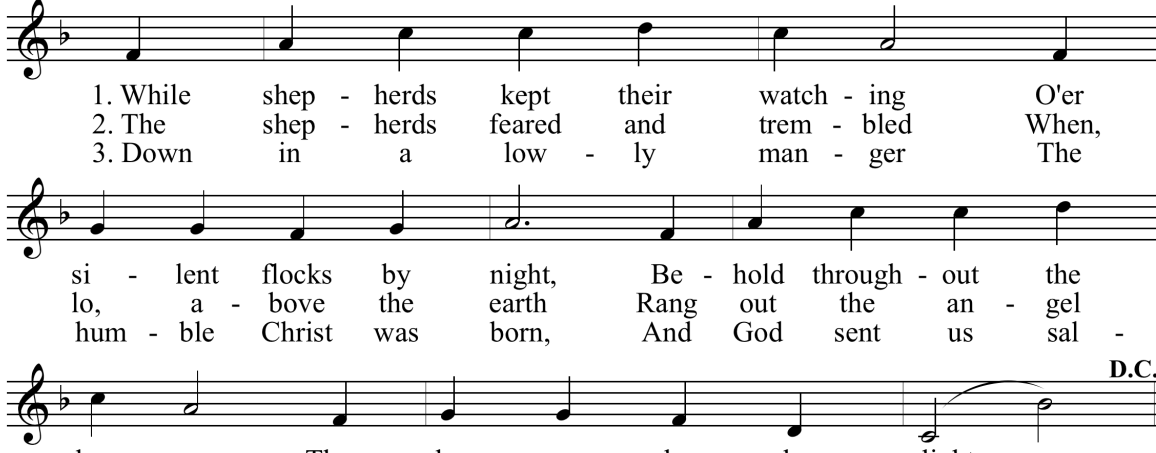
Go Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain



Go tell it on the moun - tain, O-ver the hills and ev - 'ry - where;
Go tell it on the moun - tain That Je - sus Christ is born!

Verses

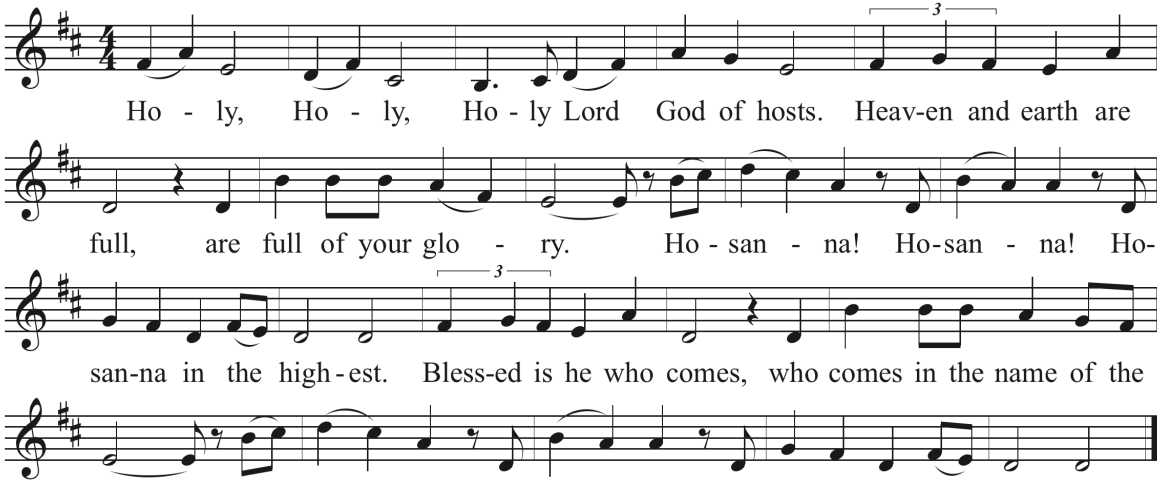


1. While shep - herds kept their watch - ing O'er
2. The shep - herds feared and trem - bled When,
3. Down in a low - ly man - ger The
si - lent flocks by night, Be - hold through - out the
lo, a - bove the earth Rang out the an - gel
hum - ble Christ was born, And God sent us sal -
D.C.
heav - ens There shone a ho - ly light.
cho - rus That hailed our Sav - ior's birth.
va - tion That bless - ed Christ - mas morn.

Holy, Holy, Holy


Mass Of Wisdom

Schutte



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are
full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho-san - na! Ho-
san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na! Ho-san - na! Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Mystery of Faith

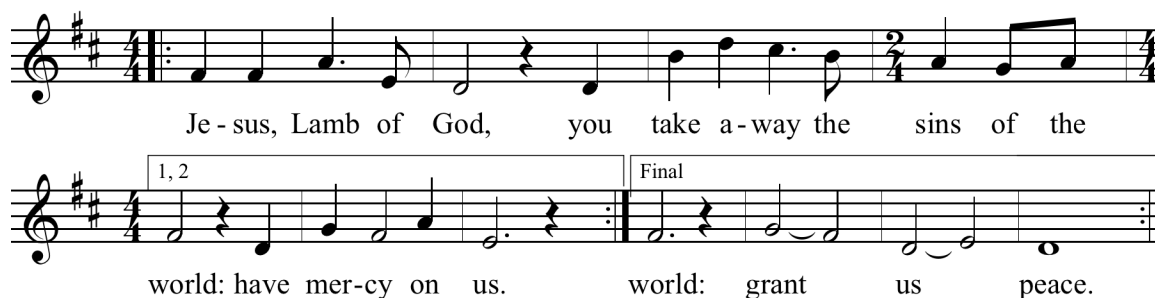


When we eat this_ bread, and drink this cup,___ we pro-
claim your death O Lord,___ un - til you come a___ gain.

Great Amen



Lamb of God



Communion

Choral: A La Nanita Nana

A la nanita nana, nanita ea, nanita ea, sleep,
sleep my little Jesus, may peace surround you,
may peace surround you.

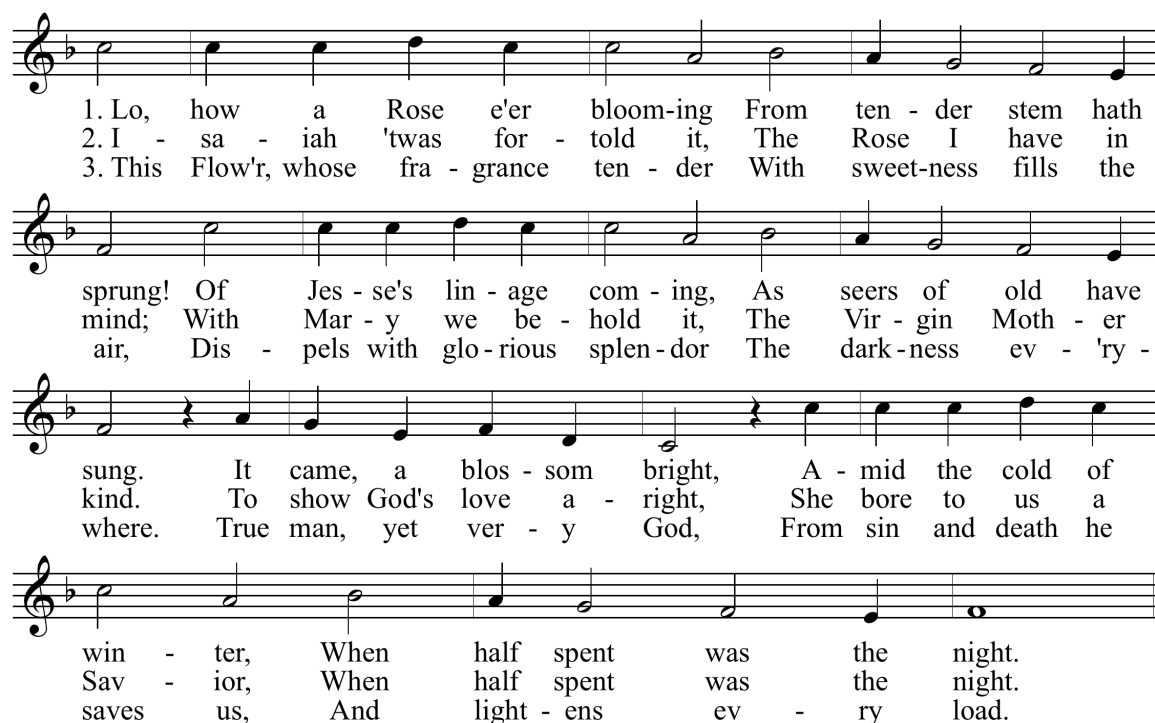
Like a clear running fountain, new hope you're bringing,
like a bird in the forest joyfully singing. Quiet now the
cradle, rocking so gently, a la nanita nana, nanita ea.

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.

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming





Recessional

Joy To the World

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: Let
 2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let
 3. He rules the world with truth and grace, And

earth re - ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry
 us, our songs em - ploy; While fields and
 makes the na - tions prove The glo - ries

heart pre - pare him room, And
 floods, rocks, hills and plains; Re -
 of his right - eous - ness, And

heaven and na - ture sing, And heaven and na - ture
 peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
 won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his

sing, And heaven and heaven and na - ture sing.
 joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.



Faith Formation

Sacramental Preparation

Infant Baptism is for infants to children 6 years of age. Baptisms are held 6 times a year in the context of Mass. Baptism prep is for parents and godparents; for more information contact theresal@stjosephparish.org

Children's Baptism is for children 7 years or older; for more information contact elisac@stjosephparish.org

First Reconciliation & First Communion begins in 1st grade or age 6. This is a two-year process during the school year. The first year is basic faith formation, the second year is direct preparation for the sacraments. For more information contact elisac@stjosephparish.org

Middle School Confirmation – The age for confirmation is 13 years of age and 7th grade. For more information contact samanthab@stjosephparish.org

RCIA is for adults seeking baptism or for Christians baptized in other traditions who are seeking Communion and Confirmation in the Catholic Church theresal@stjosephparish.org

Continuing Faith Formation

Children's Formation: Pre-k – 6th grade, contact elisac@stjosephparish.org

Young Adult Community: Includes faith formation opportunities; contact samanthab@stjosephparish.org

Adult Faith Formation: Includes things beyond RCIA like parish retreats, lecture series, bible study, etc. Contact theresal@stjosephparish.org for more information.

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Faith Justice

Anti-Racism - The St. Joseph Parish Anti-Racism Committee is a committee of the Faith Justice Commission. We partner with local organizations and facilitate anti-bias trainings. Want to join our work? Email markp@stjosephparish.org

Housing Justice - Volunteers help serve our houseless neighbors through community partnerships and engage in advocacy for housing justice. Contact markp@stjosephparish.org if you'd like to get involved!

Immigration Assistance and Advocacy - The Immigration Committee works with local and national partners to advocate for immigrants, especially refugees, asylum seekers, and undocumented people. markp@stjosephparish.org

Climate Justice - We coordinate with local, national, and international groups to bring attention to the climate crisis and engage the parish through both education and action. Contact markp@stjosephparish.org if you'd like to learn more.

Gender Justice - In collaboration with the LGBTQ and Women's ministries, the Faith Justice Commission supports the Discerning Deacons women's ordination movement and advocates for inclusion for LGBTQ youth. For more information, contact markp@stjosephparish.org

St. Vincent de Paul - The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference at St. Joseph Parish serves the poor by making in-home visits, listening to those in need and providing support as resources allow. If you would like to attend a meeting or are interested in learning more about the society, please email svdp@stjosephparish.org

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Liturgy & Worship

Daily Mass - Start your day with Holy Mass! Stop by the Parish Center at 7 am T - F and introduce yourself. We look forward to seeing you. For more information, contact dailymass@stjosephparish.org

Eucharistic Ministers - This ministry is open to all youth and adults who love the Eucharist, have been confirmed, and who strive to show Christ's love in their daily living. For more information and to become part of this important ministry, please contact team captain Mary Sepulveda at eucharisticministers@stjosephparish.org

Lectors - Lectoring is a ministry of proclamation, giving strong voice to the Word of God found in Sacred Scripture, and announcing the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass. For more information and to become part of this important ministry, contact the lector coordinator, Jessica Smits, at lectors@stjosephparish.org

Ushers - Ushers greet people warmly, introduce strangers, help people sit together, distribute worship aids, provide hearing assisted devices and offer hospitality. For more information or to become a part of this important ministry, please contact usher captain Bruce Mirkin at ushers@stjosephparish.org or (206) 391-6155.

Choir - The choir sings on Sunday mornings as well as some holy days and the liturgies around Christmas and Triduum/Easter. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact Laura Ash, Pastoral Assistant for Music, at lash@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1649.

Rosary Group - Our current rosary group meets on zoom on Tuesdays at 2pm, to get the information and join them, email rosary@stjosephparish.org

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Parish Life Ministries

Men's Ministry - For information about our activities, email men@stjosephparish.org

Women's Ministry - For information about our activities, email women@stjosephparish.org

LGBTQ Ministry - For information about our activities, email Theresa at lgbtq@stjosephparish.org

Young Adult Ministry - Looking for community? A place to discuss faith and life with others? For more information, email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

O.W.L.S. Seniors Group - Join us in the many ways we celebrate our community life together. For more information, email seniors@stjosephparish.org

Prayer Shawl Group - Join us to knit or crochet prayer shawls for those in need of healing. For more information, please email prayershawlgroup@stjosephparish.org

Funeral Hospitality Ministry - As part of our loving concern our ministry team provides assistance in the planning and hosting of a reception after funeral services. We are always in need of helpful and friendly assistance. To help, email Mary Ott at funeralhospitality@stjosephparish.org

Welcome Ministry - Join us to welcome new parishioners welcome@stjosephparish.org

Sister Parish - In El Salvador, areas of focus include addressing the root issues of poverty and immigration to the United States. To get involved, please email Daniel Stoner at sisterparish@stjosephparish.org

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Advent at St. Joe's



From the lighting of the tree on the Feast of St. Nicholas, to the blessing of the *Simbang Gabi* Parols, to witnessing the extraordinary generosity of parishioners who purchased over 700 Giving Tree gifts for our Outreach Partners, it has been quite an Advent season! We are so grateful to each and every one of you for making this community so special. Merry Christmas!



Places We Find Ourselves

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

**LaConner, Washington
February 3rd - 5th, 2023**

For details and to register, please contact
Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at
(206) 965-1646 or steve@stjosephparish.org

\$450 per couple*
Partial scholarships available



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*Price includes two nights lodging, Continental
breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, and the
Saturday evening group dinner.

Kino Border Initiative Immersion Trip: April 29th - May 5th, 2023



St. Joe's has confirmed a date to send a parish delegation to the Kino Border Initiative in Nogales, AZ/MX, for an Immersion Trip in 2023. We are planning on sending a group of 8-12 people, as we've done for many years in the past. Don't miss this opportunity for a life-changing trip!

Stay tuned to the bulletin for a planned informational session, but in the meantime, if you're interested, let us know - simply email kino@stjosephparish.org to register your interest.



Couples Examen

Saturday, January 21

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Parish Center

You and your partner are invited to a Couples Examen Retreat at St. Joe's. This is an opportunity to prayerfully examine your life throughout this past year. We'll engage in private reflection, couples' private sharing, and then small group sharing with other couples.

ALL couples are welcome: LGBTQIA+, straight, married, dating - Everybody belongs here.

We will provide lunch and snacks and refreshments throughout the day. Cost for the day is \$30 per couple.

Please RSVP no later than January 15th!



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RSVP to Samantha: samanthab@stjosephparish.org

FAITH FORMATION & PARISH LIFE

Volunteers Needed! Preschool Catechist/Teacher

We're looking for someone who loves working with children to help teach a Sunday School class for three and four year-olds. Training for this position will begin in January, and classes will meet Sunday mornings at 9am in the social hall. Can you help? Contact Elisa at elisac@stjosephparish.org

Families: Are your kids ready to be baptized and join the church? Explore our RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children) offerings!

As we welcome young folks into the Church, we're starting new classes for children ages 9-12 that will include Baptism Prep, Reconciliation, First Communion, (and Confirmation, if desired). One RCIC class will be on Wednesdays at 4pm, starting this Winter, taught by Mary Guerra. 6 spots available - join today!

Please contact Elisa Cooper ASAP to connect elisac@stjosephparish.org

High Schoolers & Middle Schoolers - We Need Your Help!

Are you in high school or middle school and want to help out your community? Faith Formation is looking for students to volunteer as a helper with the Preschool and Kindergarten Sunday School classes. You don't need to be an expert - just someone who enjoys helping out little ones.

We'll give you all the training - contact Elisa at elisac@stjosephparish.org if you're interested!

Women's Ministry

The St. Joe's Women's ministry is looking for help with planning events. We would like to offer four events per year for the women of our parish for spiritual renewal, and we need help in a few areas:

- We need people who are willing to help **plan and facilitate** women's events. If you want to lead a small group bible study, lead a hike, retreat, or other event, we need you.
- **Do you have computer skills?** We have need of someone to help manage email lists and RSVP's, and to help create flyers for an event. If you think you could help with that, we need you!
- **Hospitality:** we need people who are interested in support with set-up and the party planning of the events. Please let us know if you would like to work with our nice group of planners for 2023.

Do any of these sound interesting to you? Email us at: Women@stjosephparish.org



After-Mass Hospitality: We Need You!

Want to be a part of the most welcoming of St. Joe's traditions, after-Mass coffee and donuts? We always need volunteers to setup and clean up for hospitality after the 9am and 11am Masses. It's easy - we have everything ready for you, and will train you before your first time! Help us build this community and facilitate the camaraderie that makes our parish so special - contact sundayhospitality@stjosephparish.org to get plugged in