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Sunday, December 22, 2024 * Fourth Sunday of Advent

LOVE



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken
to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." - Lk 1:45

Mass Schedules

St. Joseph

Sunday 9am, 11am, & 5:30pm

Reconciliation Tuesdays 4:30pm

St. Therese

Sunday 9am and 11am

Reconciliation Tuesdays at St. Joe's

December 29, 2024

FIRST READING: 1 SAMUEL 1:20-22, 24-28

SECOND READING: 2 COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

GOSPEL: LUKE 2:41-52

St. JOSEPH

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St. THERESE

PRESIDING & PREACHING: MIKE BAYARD, SJ

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ST. THERESE December 22 The People of St. Joseph **ST. JOSEPH**

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11:00 AM Sunday - Livestream w/ASL

5:30 PM Sunday

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Prelude

Comfort Ye

Call to Worship

Please stand at the tolling of the bell

Procession

Holy Darkness

Refrain

Ho-ly dark-ness, bless-ed night, heav-en's an-swer hid-den from our sight. As we a-
wait you, O God of si-lence we em-brace your ho-ly night... night.

1-5 Final

Verses

1. I have tried you in fires of af-flic-tion; I have
2. have taught you the price of com-pas-sion; you have
3. Were you there when I raised up the moun-tains? Can you

1. taught your soul to grieve. In the bar-ren soil of your
2. stood be-fore the grave. Though my love can seem like a
3. guide the morn-ing Star? Does the hawk take flight when you

1. lone-li-ness, there I will plant my seed.
2. rag-ing storm? this Why is do the love that saves.
3. give com-mand? Why is do the love that pow'r?

4. In your deep-est hour of dark-ness I will
5. As the watch-man waits for morn-ing, and the

4. give you wealth un-told. When the si-lence stills your
5. bride a-waits her groom, so we wait to hear your

4. spir-it, will my rich-es fill your soul.
5. foot-steps as we rest be-neath your moon.

Penitential Act

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom.
Lord, have mercy. ALL: Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness.
Christ, have mercy. ALL: Christ, have mercy.

You will come in glory with salvation for your people.
Lord, have mercy. ALL: Lord, have mercy.

First Reading

Micah 5:1-4a

Thus says the LORD:

You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah
too small to be among the clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to be ruler in Israel;
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient times.
Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time
when she who is to give birth has borne,
and the rest of his kindred shall return
to the children of Israel.

He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock
by the strength of the LORD,
in the majestic name of the LORD, his God;
and they shall remain, for now his greatness
shall reach to the ends of the earth;
he shall be peace.

Psalm

Psalm 80

Haugen



Lord, make us turn to you, show us your face, and we shall be saved.

Shepherd of Israel, hearken from your throne and shine forth,
O rouse your power, and come to save us. *Ref.*

We are your chosen vine, only by your care do we live,
Reach out your hand, O Lord, unto your people. *Ref.*

If you will dwell with us, we shall live anew in your love,
O shine upon us, great Lord of life. *Ref.*

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters: When Christ came into the world, he said:

"Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,
but a body you prepared for me;
in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight.
Then I said, 'As is written of me in the scroll,
behold, I come to do your will, O God.'"

First he says, "Sacrifices and offerings, holocausts and sin offerings, you neither desired nor delighted in." These are offered according to the law. Then he says, "Behold, I come to do your will." He takes away the first to establish the second. By this "will," we have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Gospel Acclamation

Advent Alleluia

Joncas



Hal - le-lu - ia. hal - le-lu - ia. hal - le-lu - ia. hal-le - lu - ia!

A virgin will give birth to a son; his name will be Emmanuel: God is with us.

Gospel

Luke 1:39-45

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

Homily

Jennifer Kelly

Profession of Faith

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



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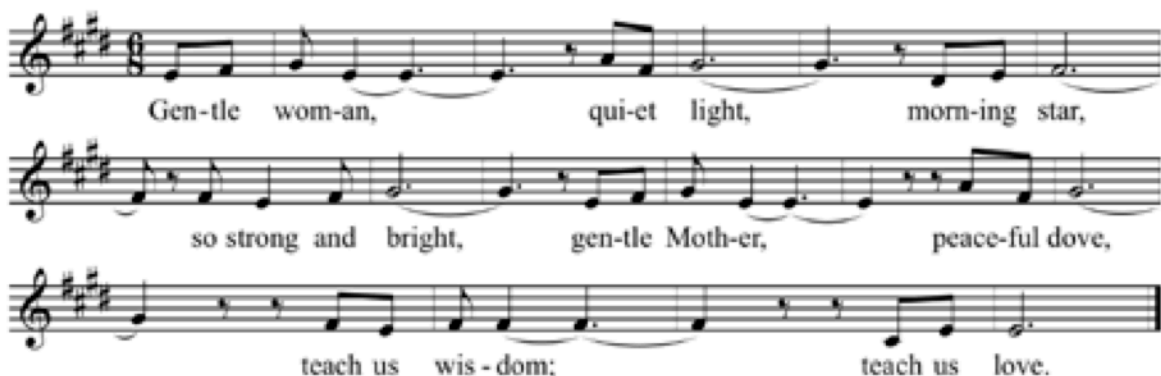
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Offertory Song (9am & 11am) Choral: Comfort, Comfort

Ferguson

(5:30pm) Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

Landry



Holy, Holy

Maranatha Mass

Lynch

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. Ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of Hosts.

Heav'n and Earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho - san-nah, ho - san-nah, ho -

san-nah in the high-est. Ho - san-nah, ho - san-nah, ho - san-nah to God on

high, Blest is He who comes in the name, in the name of the

Lord our God. Blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho

Mystery of Faith

We pro-claim your death, O Lord, and pro-fess your re-sur-rec-tion.

We pro-claim your death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.

Great Amen

A - men, A - men. Come, O come, Em - man - u - el.

A - men, A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus, come.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,

mer - cy Lord, have mer - cy on us.
mer - cy Lord, have mer - cy on us.
grant us peace, O grant us your peace.

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.

Communion Song

O Come O Come Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,
3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,
4. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem,
5. O come, O Key of Da - vid, come,
6. O come, O Day - spring from on high,
7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind

And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
Who or - der all things might i - ly;
Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height
From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them
And o - pen wide our heav'n ly home;
And cheer us by your draw - ing nigh;
In one the hearts of hu - man - kind;

That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
To us the path of knowl - edge show,
In an - cient times once gave the Law
That trust your might - y power to save,
Make safe the way that leads on high,
Dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
O bid our sad di - vi - sions cease,

Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
And teach us in her ways to go.
In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
And close the path to mis - er - y.
And death's dark sha - dow put to flight.
And be for us our King of Peace.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el
Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near Of the
 2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare. One more
 3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, Guard the
 4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim One more
 5. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth Him who

crown - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are
 seed is plant - ed there: Give up your strength the seed to
 nest that must be filled. E - ven the hour when wings are
 light the bowl shall brim, Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y
 brings new life to earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley

a - ble, Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. Peo - ple look
 nour - ish, That in course the flow'r may flour - ish. Peo - ple look
 fro - zen He for fledg - ing time has cho - sen. Peo - ple look
 weath - er, Bright as sun and moon to - geth - er. Peo - ple look
 hum - ming With the word, the Lord is com - ing. Peo - ple look

East and sing to - day: Love the Guest is on the way.
 East and sing to - day: Love the Rose is on the way.
 East and sing to - day: Love the Bird is on the way.
 East and sing to - day: Love the Star is on the way.
 East and sing to - day: Love the Lord is on the way.

Christmas Mass Times Join Us !

Merry Christmas
We embrace your holy night!

Join us for Christmas Eve
4pm, 7pm & 10pm

Christmas Day
10am

Everyone is welcome!



Please note the new time on Christmas Eve!

Livestream ASL Mass at 7pm on 12/24 and 10am on 12/25

Joyful Voices Children's Choir

Calling all children, grades 2nd through 8th, to sing in our Joyful Voices Children's Choir this Christmas Eve at the 4:00 pm liturgy. Rehearsals will be in the Church :

- Monday, December 23, 10:00-11:00 am

[Click here to sign up!](#)

Questions? Laura Ash at lash@stjosephparish.org



Mary, Mother of God



ST. THERESE



PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL
PARISH FAMILY



ST. JOSEPH

**Join our Parish Family
for Mass on
January 1st at 10am**

This Mass will be celebrated
at St. Therese
900 35th Ave, Seattle

Seniors Ministry

- **First Friday** - We are going to mix things up a bit in January and do our Anointing Mass over at St. Therese. Friday, January 3rd at 11:30am followed by lunch. We hope you can join us for our first Anointing Mass of 2025. If you have any questions or need help finding a ride, please call the parish office at 206.324.2522.

Climate Justice Committee

A Word from the **CJC Advocacy Group**

The state legislature will convene in early January 2025. Environmental issues should get a lot of attention during the legislative session, however, any environmental legislation that costs money to implement is probably not going to pass.

The state is several billion dollars short so it is likely that many current programs will be cut to balance the budget. Governor Insley recently asked state agencies to cut \$400 million from their budgets. It is likely that many programs that serve the poor will be cut.

CJC is committed to supporting environmental legislation we agree with that is being written by different parties, like the Tribes, and encouraging the legislature to get them passed into law. The Advocacy group will track environmental legislation to keep the parish informed.



CJC!
Climate Justice Committee
At St. Joseph Parish

The next CJC meeting is **January 9 at 7PM**. For details, please contact:
climatejustice@stjosephparish.org

St. Joseph Parish Marriage Enrichment Weekend

The Marriage Journey Honoring What Emerges

LaConner, WA - January 31 - February 2, 2025

\$495 per couple

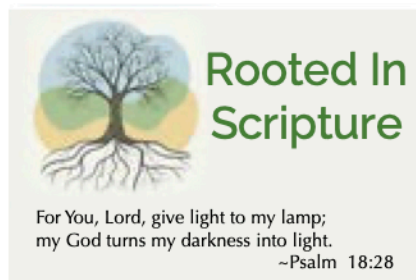
Includes two nights lodging, continental breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, and the Saturday evening group dinner. Partial scholarships are available.

For details and to register, please contact:

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Partners in the Gospel

Parish Family Updates - December 2024



Parish Family #18
St. Therese and St. Joseph

Advent is a season of light. It starts out small with a single candle of the Advent wreath lit, but the deeper into the season we go, the brighter the light becomes as another candle is lit each Sunday.

The scent and light from a candle are referred to as its "throw". How strong is a candle's fragrance and how much does it permeate a space? And once lit, how much light does it give off and how far into the darkness does that light reach?

Only a few months ago, we started on a journey to become one canonical parish. In these earliest days, we started the work of understanding finances, staff, buildings, and liturgies across four faith communities. With the recent change in leadership following Fr. Chris Cartwright's departure, Deacon Steve Wodzanowski, Pastoral Coordinator, will pause the work of the Parish Family Advisory Council until the Spring and focus more on the work of the separate Pastoral Councils of St. Joseph and St. Therese. The Councils will meet both separately and jointly as we strive to build familiarity across these important lay leadership groups. A Parish Family Leadership Team (PFLT) has also been formed which includes Erin Smith, Director of Operations; Nicole St. Hilaire, Pastoral Assistant of Faith Formation & Liturgy; Patrick Fennessy, Head of St. Joseph School; Malcolm Nelson, Principal of St. Therese Catholic Academy; Deacon Steve Wodzanowski, Pastoral Coordinator; Fr. Mike Bayard, and Fr. Phil Boroughs. The PFLT will be the primary staff consultation and action group for executing the activities related to Partners in the Gospel.

We continue to look for ways to come together as family and have already gathered socially for coffee, a summer picnic, and a sing-along. We have worshipped together at a healing Mass followed by lunch and brought food to be blessed and shared with others at a Thanksgiving Mass. Perhaps these early "practice" efforts to blend as a family are small, but they are like the light of the first Advent candle: they are throwing light and fragrance that will grow as we continue on this journey.

Please watch for ways to contribute your own light and fragrance into the Parish Family, discerning how your candle throw will light our path. May your Advent be blessed with fragrance and light! Please send any questions or input about the Parish Family activities to parishfamily@stjosephparish.org.

**Thanksgiving Day Mass, Donations to
the Food Bank at St. Mary's**

