



Four Communities - One Parish Family

ST. JOSEPH & ST. THERESE



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

Ignited by the Eucharist to Love and Serve

St. Joseph

732 18th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98112
www.stjosephparish.org (206) 324-2522
Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm
Mass Times: Sunday 9am, 11am, 5:30pm
Livestream w/ASL 11 am
Reconciliation: By Appointment
Weekday Mass Schedule: Tues-Fri, 7am



ST. THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

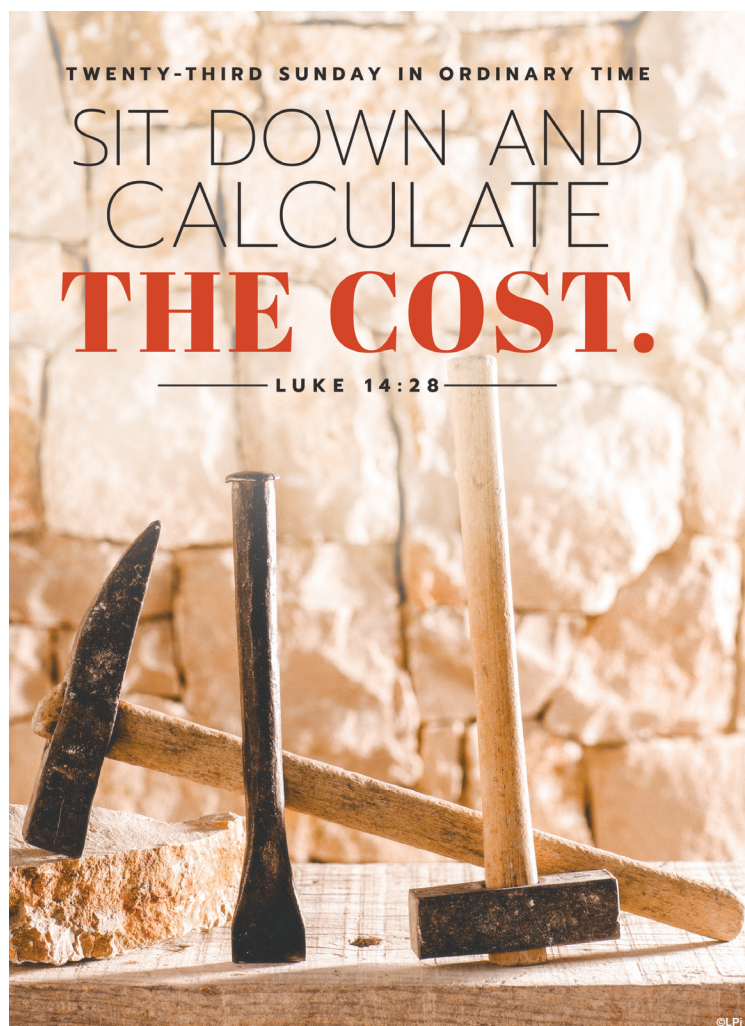
*Worship With Joy, Work For Justice,
and Grow In God's Love*

St. Therese

3416 E Marion St, Seattle, WA 98122
www.st-therese.cc (206) 325-2711
Office Hours: Mon-Thur 9am-4pm
Mass Times: Sunday 9am and 11am
Livestream (9am) 2nd and 4th Sundays,
(11am) 1st and 3rd Sundays
Reconciliation: By Appointment

September 7, 2025

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH & ST. THERESE

We are delighted to welcome you to the parish family of St. Joseph and St. Therese today! Whether it is your first time here or you've been coming for years, WELCOME!

Both St. Joseph and St. Therese are known for passionate social outreach, communal worship, education and care for all, and working for justice - whatever your interest, there is a place for your service within our Parish Family. Reach out and join in!

READINGS & PREACHING INFORMATION

[This Sunday - September 7, 2025](#)

First Reading: WISDOM 9:13-18B
SECOND READING: PHILEMON 9-10, 12-17
GOSPEL: LUKE 14:25-33

[Next Sunday - September 14, 2025](#)

First Reading: NUMBERS 21:4B-9
SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11
GOSPEL: JOHN 3:13-17

[ST. JOSEPH](#)

PRESIDING & PREACHING: PHIL BOROUGHS, SJ

[ST. THERESE](#)

PRESIDING & PREACHING: MIKE BAYARD, SJ

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Bulletin Submissions - Please send your article or flyer to bulletin@stjosephparish.org ten (10) days before the Sunday you want it to appear (the Friday of the week before). If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Caprice at caprices@stjosephparish.org

FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

We are blessed to have such generous communities. Our ministries and programs would not be possible without our parishioners support. Scan either QR code to give and know that you have our deepest thanks.

[St. Joseph Online Giving](#)

Scan the QR code to make a gift.



[St. Therese Online Giving](#)

Scan the QR code to make a gift.



THE WEEKLY WORD

A COLUMN WRITTEN BY A MEMBER OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

ST. PHOEBE, DEACON OF THE CHURCH, WE REMEMBER YOU!

Today we remember St. Phoebe, whose feast day is September 3. Known as the first woman deacon of the Church, she was entrusted by Paul to deliver his letter to the Romans, which begins, "I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a deacon of the church at Cenchrae, so that you may welcome her in the Lord as is fitting for the saints, and help her in whatever she may require of you, for she has been a benefactor of many and myself as well. (Romans 16:1-2)

We are grateful that we have scriptural reference of Phoebe, which names her and her role! It has helped to shine the light on the diaconal vocation of women in our time. All too often, women in scripture have gone nameless, or if their names are written at all, we certainly never hear their names on Sunday. I have been profoundly moved to learn the names of these New Testament women, and so I name them here:

Priscilla - she assembled a church in her home in Ephesus along with her husband Aquila (Acts 18, and Rom 16:3)

Dorcas - a weaver of clothes for the needy in Joppa, in the time of Paul. (Acts 9:36-42)

Junia - prominent among the apostles and sharing imprisonment with Paul, along with her husband Andronicus. (Romans 16:7)

Chloe - a woman of Corinth who advised Paul. (1 Cor 1:11)

Lydia - who founded the church in Philippi. (Acts 16: 14-15, 40)

Damaris - who heard Paul's message in Athens (Acts 17:34)

WOMEN OF THE EARLY CHURCH, WE REMEMBER YOU!

Laura Ash
Director of Music, St. Joseph Parish





**PARISH FAMILY
ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Four Communities - One Family

JOIN US AS WE BLESS OUR PARISH FAMILY
ADVISORY COUNCIL AT MASS.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 9AM, AT ST. THERESE
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 11AM AT ST. JOSEPH



THE SACRAMENT OF
Reconciliation

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 16TH
WILL BE OFFERED IN PERSON
FROM 5PM TO 6PM
AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

YOU CAN ALSO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT,
PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL
206.324.2522 OR 206.325.2711
FRMIKE@STJOSEPHPARISH.ORG OR
FRPHIL@STJOSEPHPARISH.ORG

PARISH FAMILY NEWS & EVENTS

St. Joseph Prayer Shawl Group

We welcome prospective to experienced knitters and crocheters who wish to create prayer shawls for those in need of comfort and healing. Anyone interested in joining is welcome! We meet at 7:00pm, in the Mother Teresa room in Parish Center at St. Joseph. **Our next meeting is September 9th!** If you have questions, please email us at prayershawl@stjosephparish.org



St. Therese Laudato Si Ministry

Care for Our Common Home Work Party
Saturday, September 20, 2025, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Join us to spruce up the grounds!
Questions or to RSVP, jvrussell85@gmail.com
Repeats every third Saturday of the month



PEACE WITH CREATION SEASON OF CREATION 2025

Each year from September 1 to October 4 (the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi), the Christian family unites for this worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home.

In this Jubilee Year of Hope—proclaimed by our beloved late Pope Francis—we are called to walk as pilgrims of hope, grounded in faith, and committed to justice. 2025 marks the 10th anniversary of Laudato Si' and the 800th anniversary of St. Francis' Canticle of the Creatures. This year is not only a time for our spiritual renewal but also a profound invitation to reimagine our relationships with God, one another, and the Earth.

CJC invites you to participate in these upcoming events:

SAT SEPT 13 (10-noon): Pilgrimage of Hope, honoring salmon, and eco-kinship. *Carkeek Park*

FRI SEPT 19 (6-8PM): Way of the Masks, indigenous-led reflection on the state of the land and traditional wisdom and practices for creation care. *PACCAR Auditorium, Woodland Park Zoo*

SUN SEPT 28 (after 9&11 Mass): Embodied Prayer, engaging our whole body. *St. Joseph Old Gym – across from Social Hall*

SUN OCT 12 (noon-3PM): 2nd Annual All-Parish-Family Care for Creation Forum. *Arrupe Room, St. Joseph Parish Center*

St. Joseph Parish



Climate Justice Committee (CJC)

Next meeting: **THU October 2** / St. Joseph Parish Center & online.

Contact: climatejustice@stjosephparish.org ALL ARE WELCOME!

PARISH FAMILY FAITH & JUSTICE COMMISSION

Immigrant Rights
& Sister Parishes

**IMMIGRANTS' RIGHTS
ARE
HUMAN RIGHTS**

Racial equity

**IN THIS HOUSE
WE BELIEVE:**

BLACK LIVES MATTER

LOVE IS LOVE

SCIENCE IS REAL

FEMINISM IS FOR EVERYONE

NO HUMAN IS ILLEGAL

KINDNESS IS EVERYTHING

Climate Justice



**PILGRIMS
OF HOPE FOR
CREATION**

Food Security



The unhoused



Service to the poor



Gender equity



Non-violent resistance

HOW ARE WE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

A gathering to focus and unify the Faith and Justice
mission of our parish family

THIS SATURDAY! JOIN US!

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 9 AM - 12 PM
ST. THERESE SOCIAL HALL**

*****Please invite your friends and fellow parishioners!***
RSVP TO FAITHJUSTICE@STJOSEPHPARISH.ORG**

St. Joseph Men's Retreat "FAITH, TRIALS & SERVICE"



**YMCA CAMP CASEY
WHIDBEY ISLAND**
1276 Engle Road
Coupeville, WA 98239

WHEN: Friday, Oct. 17th (check-in as early as 4 PM – Retreat starts promptly at 7:45 PM). Retreat ends on Sunday, Oct. 19th (check out at 11 am).

TEAM: Bret Taylor, Steve Gustaveson, John Fitzpatrick, and Tim Malone

COST: \$250 Payable in online – Scholarships Available

Program includes inspiration from the team, prayer, singing, reflection time, small groups, free time: bike, walk, ultimate frisbee, rest, read, and swim

Bring bedding or a sleeping bag, towel and personal hygiene items, snacks to share and your favorite beverages. Coffee will be provided at our lodging and meeting space.

Meals are included for Saturday thru Sunday breakfast.

Important
Depending on how many men register, you may have to share a room. If you have questions, email Deacon Steve at stevev@stjosephparish.org

Register using QR Code below



STORYTELLERS

**Bernadine Wentland Mary Sepulveda
Nieves Noriega
Sharon Spence-Wilcox**



2025 Fall Women's Retreat
Registration



Women's Ministry Fall Retreat

Saturday, October 11, 2025, 9 am to 4 pm

St. Joseph Parish Center

Cost: \$25; pay as you are able

Come and join us for a one-day retreat focused on finding belonging within self, community, and God.

We are creating a holy space, anchored in thoughtful presentations by women who represent multi-generations, races and cultures across our Parish Family.

There will be large and small group sharing opportunities, an activity and a Communion Service.

**You will receive additional information
upon registration**

Questions? Email:

women@stjosephparish.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteer Corner- Volunteers are the heart and soul of everything we do in our Parish Family. Check out this spot in the bulletin each week to learn how you can get involved in the ministries in the Parish Family.

St. Joseph Funeral Hospitality - Our beloved funeral hospitality coordinator is stepping down after many years serving families in this capacity. Could you step in and help this important and critical ministry? This would be a wonderful job for two people to partner on. If you are interested in joining our dedicated team of hospitality angels who help coordinate meals and receptions after funerals, please email Mary Ott at funeralhospitality@stjosephparish.org.

St. Joseph Admin Assistance - Do you like talking with people? Answering questions and directing people to the correct place? We need some weekday admin assistance at the Parish Office, days and times that work with your schedule. Includes answering the phone and door and some very light office tasks. If you think this might interest you, please reach out to Erin Smith with any questions or to help, at esmith@stjosephparish.org.

St. Therese Collection Counters - A great volunteer opportunity for you is the St. Therese Mass Collections Counting Ministry from 10-11 on Monday mornings at the Parish Center! We need three more counters in order to meet our goal of scheduling volunteers once a month. No advance math skills needed, although basic arithmetic is helpful! Please contact Catherine at the St. Therese Parish Center for more information: Office@st-therese.cc or 206-325-2711. Thank you!

St. Joseph Sunday Morning Coffee Hour Crew - "Love coffee? Love people? Join the Sunday Coffee Crew and help make our parish feel like home!" "Jesus turned water into wine—can you help us turn hot water into coffee?" This ministry is more than just serving coffee and donuts . . . It's about creating a welcoming environment where relationships can grow. Shifts are short and flexible. Contact Meredith Wright to join in, at 206.895.1014 or meredithw@stjosephparish.org.

Parish Family Church Tidying - Are you willing and able to spend some time tidying and stocking the pews? Both St. Joseph and St. Therese could use help keeping our churches ready for worship. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to Erin Smith at esmith@stjosephparish.org.



PARISH FAMILY SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow along with both St. Joseph and St. Therese on Facebook and Instagram!



St. Joseph - St. Joseph Parish, Seattle
St. Therese - St. Therese Parish of Seattle



St. Joseph - @stjosephparishseattle
St. Therese - @st.-therese-parish

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

To register for First Communion Prep, Children's Faith Formation, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, or Middle School Confirmation, please visit either of our websites. www.stjosephparish.org or www.st-therese.cc

If you have questions, please reach out to Meredith Wright (StJ) meredith@stjosephparish.org or Nicole St. Hilaire (StT) nicoles@st-therese.cc

CHILDREN'S LITURGY AT ST. JOSEPH



Children's Liturgy of the Word

Join us at the 9am Mass.
September 28th, October 26th, November 9th, and December 7th!

Kids in grade K-5 will be dismissed during the Liturgy of the Word to pray with and reflect on the scripture readings at an age-appropriate level. Parents are welcome to attend if needed or desired. Kids will rejoin their families at the offertory.

Questions? Meredith Wright at meredithw@stjosephparish.org
We also need middle school youth as helpers, email Meredith to volunteer.

Join us!
All are welcome!

9am Mass!

SEPTEMBER 21ST - 9AM MASS

St. Joseph
♦♦♦ Youth Mass ♦♦♦

JOIN US! LED BY OUR SCHOOL WORSHIP BAND.

FOLLOWED BY SANDWICH MAKING FOR ST. FRANCIS HOUSE IN THE SOCIAL HALL AFTER.



OUR PARISH SCHOOLS



JOIN THE ST. THERESE CATHOLIC ACADEMY COMMUNITY

- Service learning
- Respectful and responsible community members
- Working for justice
- Diverse and compassionate community

IGNITING FAITH, MINDS, AND DREAMS SINCE 1927



I believe this is why families choose Catholic School Education. To, from a young age, teach two fundamental differences between the secular world of wanting to be first, and the faith world of putting others before you. We can do both in Catholic Schools and teach our youth the rhyme and reason for why it can be important and useful to be “first” and what that looks like. I.E: leading by example and what it means to be in service of one another. Leading by example is what Christ asks of us. After years of Catholic School, we hope that these lessons learned transfer into their teenage and adult lives, and they become leaders when they graduate from St. Therese. Over time, we hope to create servants for a diverse world. People who put Christ first, and in turn, others first.

~Malcolm Nelson, Principal, St. Therese Catholic Academy



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS OCTOBER 1

Kindergarten - 8th grade &
Early Learning Center,
serving infants 3 months-
5 years old.

[www.stjosephsea.org/
admissions](http://www.stjosephsea.org/admissions)



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL
Seattle's Jesuit Parish School

PARTNER MINISTRIES

THE IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY CENTER INVITES YOU

PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE FOR CREATION

A Trail Walk Honoring Sacred
Salmon and Eco-Kinship

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
10 AM-12 PM
CARKEEK PARK, SEATTLE
ANNA JOHNSON, PRESENTER**



Join the ISC for a family-friendly pilgrimage experience as we walk, pray, and share in celebration of our local green spaces, honor sacred salmon, and reflect upon *God in all things*. Journey together in solidarity and community action for our common home and local ecosystem. Children's activities are included. Bring a picnic to enjoy with community after the pilgrimage.

**For more information and to register, visit
ignatiancenter.org/pilgrimage-of-hope**

Free of charge for all!

Co-sponsored by:

Ignatian Spirituality Center
Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center
St. Joseph Climate Justice Committee
Pilgrims of Hope for Creation



Questions? Contact
maria@ignatiancenter.org

ARCHDIOCESE EVENTS



Join us for the Jubilee Year
Immigration Pilgrimage
of Hope

October 4 | 9:30am — noon
Starts at St. Leo's Tacoma
Ends at ICE Detention Center

 Archdiocese
of Seattle


Jubilee 2025
Pilgrims of Hope

Stephen Brashers

MENTAL HEALTH EVENT AT THE CATHEDRAL

MASS FOR SUICIDE HEALING AND REMEMBRANCE September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. Join us at this special Mass, 9/13 at 5:30pm, as we pray for all who have been lost to suicide, for survivors of suicide, and for those who have lost a family member, friend, or colleague. We also pray that, as Church and as individuals, we can help prevent suicide by raising awareness and knowing how to help those in need.