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THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



*"Be doers of the word
and not hearers only!"*



**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

AUGUST 30, 2015

Homily Next Week:

Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

Readings for September 6, 2015

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 35:4-7A

SECOND READING: JAMES 2:1-5

GOSPEL: MARK 7:31-37

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5 pm

Sunday - 9:30 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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Friday - 8 am-3 pm; Saturday - 9 am-1 pm

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**Next Sunday, 6 September 2015
STAND UP FOR SHIRTS ACROSS AMERICA**

*All money taken in the collection will be
given to Shirts Across America
for their work restoring New Orleans
and training young people
in service and leadership*



**2015 08 22 Blessing for
Shirts Across America Delegates**

Creator of the sky, and of the sea,
Shaper of storms, and gentler of the human heart:
hear us this evening as we call to you.

For you have set the raven in her nest,
And shelled the tortoise in his pilgrim home,
You have opened up your earth to burrowers,
And in your caves, the brown bear finds her rest.

You give a place to every living creature,
And build, for each, a place to lay his head.

Bless these pilgrims, then, O Gracious One,
as they take up your mission,
to labor as companions in your work.
May the houses they renew become homes for your people,
The hearts they encounter become shelters of your love.

May they carry with them arms of hope,
strong for the work to which they are called
and ready to embrace our sisters and brothers
on the banks of the mighty Mississippi.

May they be, as we are all meant to be:
shapers of homes, bearers of love,
companions in the work of creation.

In your name and your power, we pray, O God.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

In order to fully support the good work of both organizations, the St. Vincent de Paul collection has been moved to September 12 & 13 so not to conflict with the SAA collection on the first weekend of the month.

Flowers of Love

*I have no other means of proving my love for You than to
throw flowers,
that is, not to pass up any little sacrifice, any look, any
word, to take advantage
of all the little things and do them out of love.*

-St. Thérèse of Lisieux-

His name was Dane. He was Mexican by birth, but had lived in northern California for much of his life, until his work as an engineer at Chevron led him to Puget Sound. Here he lived and worked for a number of years, settling in south Seattle. He had no family in the area, but was known in his neighborhood as a “good guy.” Several years ago, he had contracted cancer in his colon, and though he had gone through various treatments, it had spread throughout his body, leaving him with that sallow, wasted look of one near death. Gone was the strength and joy that must once have been there—the strong arms that had helped his neighbor with projects around the house and had cared for his own home with such skill. By the time I met Dane, he was past responding: his breath labored and slowing, his eyes opened, looking at nothing or perhaps at something I could not see.

The call had come to me on my way home from the movies, made by the nurse caring for Dane, at the request of his friend and health care delegate—his neighbor, Roc. Though Dane belonged to no parish, and Roc was not Catholic himself, he wanted the blessing of the Church for his friend, knowing that it mattered to Dane and was something he could do for him. As he stood beside the dying man, bent over by a bad back and trying to follow the rite as best he could, Roc gripped Dane’s shoulder with tenderness, the tears in his eyes visible even in the darkened room. Then, when I invited him to bless his dying neighbor, I was touched by how gently his large calloused hands moved across Dane’s forehead in a simple gesture of sorrow and love. And as I left, he returned to his chair, ready to wait it out with his friend, until death, at last, brought him home.

As I got in my car to go home, I sat for a moment, overcome with thoughts of Roc in his chair and of Dane, slowly dying beside him. I kept trying to figure out what more I could do, thinking how small the few minutes of prayer and anointing felt; and then a line from a poem by Gerard Manley Hopkins came into my mind: “*Honor is flashed off exploit, so we say.*” This line was written about an obscure Jesuit brother, Alphonsus Rodriguez, who spent his whole life doing little more than answering the door at the Jesuit school of philosophy on Majorca. Alphonsus was a kind man, who loved to speak to young Jesuits about faith and prayer; but he never wrote a book, had no training in philosophy or theology, never held an important office nor earned any award. He was never even ordained a

priest. He had no exploits to give flash to his life and make people think he was important. He just watched the door. And became a saint.

There have been times in my life when I have aspired to be important, to change the course of history and do something magnificent! I have read longingly about the exploits of adventurers, about the great suffering of martyrs, about the triumph of heroes, both real and literary. I have imagined myself in politics, following in the footsteps of Bobby Kennedy, standing up for the underdog and vanquishing the foolish and the wicked. I have even, at times, fallen prey to the technological myth that greatness will come from the number of hits on my website or the number of people following me on Facebook. And, then, when faced with the reality of my life, I have been ashamed of my own smallness, wondering if I have let God down by not living up to my potential—by not doing something great, suffering something great, sacrificing in some great and lasting way.

“Honor is flashed off exploit, so we say.” As I sat in my car in the hospital parking lot, I realized that what we say and what God knows may be two very different things. For the honor and glory of God was more present in that small, dark room, where Roc sat, alone in his tears, keeping vigil for a friend, then in all dusty volumes of heroism and conquest ever written. In that brief act of kindness and constancy, and in the shriveled body of a dying man who loved and was loved—if only by one friend—the majesty of Christ shone out with all the brilliance and grace of the resurrection. It was all so small—the room, the men, the anointing, the prayer—and yet, offered to God, it became something greater than all the world: something eternal, transcendent, blessed.

Our lives are all so very small. Even the greatest of us will be, in the end, forgotten: our exploits and triumphs (as well as our failures and humiliations) buried beneath the waters of time. Yet, through the Incarnation, through the grace of a God who enters time and becomes subject to its passage and its pain, our smallness is transformed. In every act of love, we become one with Jesus—who united our love to the One Love through his life, death, and resurrection—and all the smallness of our sacrifices, all the unimportance of our acts becomes united with the majesty of God.

His name was Dane. He was a child of God, who loved as God loves us. At his side was his friend, Roc, whose tears were flowers at the altar. We gave to Dane the blessing of the Church, and in the simple gifts of word and oil, touch and prayer, God was present. May all our acts be so small, and with love, become so great.



ORDER OF CELEBRATION

TWENTY -SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*This worship aid is for all Masses, including 5:30 contemplative liturgy.
All are invited to join in quiet prayer with prelude from 5:00-5:30 PM.*



Prelude

Instrumental

Entrance Songs *Praise to You, O Christ Our Savior (5 & 9:30)*

Farrell

Refrain

Praise to you, O Christ, our Sav-ior, Word of the Fa - ther, call-ing us to life;
Son of God who leads us to free-dom: glo - ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

Verses

1. You are the one whom proph-ets hoped and longed for;
2. You are the Word who calls us to be ser - vants;
3. You are the Word who binds us and u - nites us;

You are the one who speaks to us to - day; You are the one who
You are the Word whose on - ly law is love; You are the Word made
You are the Word who calls us to be one; You are the Word who
D.C.
leads us to our fu - ture: Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!
flesh who lives a - mong us: Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!
teach - es us for - give - ness: Glo - ry to you, Lord Je - sus Christ!

Laudate Dominum(5:30)

Berthier & Taize

Lau - da - te Do-mi-num, lau - da - te Do-mi-num, o - mnes
gen - tes, 1. al - le - lu - ia. 2. al - le - lu - ia.

Cantor: Glory to God in the **híghest**,

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, almighty **Fáther**.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begóttén 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, **recéíve** 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 **Spírit**, in the glory of God the Father. **Ámen**.

First Reading

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8



Moses said to the people: "Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin upon you, you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. Observe them carefully, for thus will you give evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations, who will hear of all these statutes and say, 'This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.' For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him? Or what great nation has statutes and decrees that are as just as this whole law which I am setting before you today?"

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 15

Proulx



Second Reading

James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

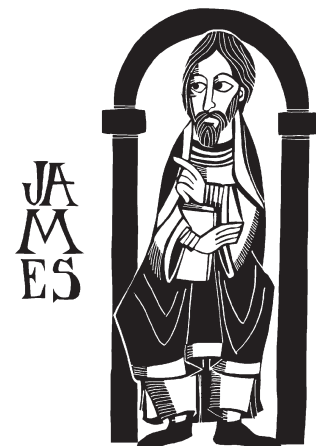
Dearest brothers and sisters:

All good giving and every perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights,
with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change. He
willed to give us birth by the word of truth
that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you
and is able to save your souls.

Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves.

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this:
to care for orphans and widows in their affliction
and to keep oneself unstained by the world.





Gospel

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands. — For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. — So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, “Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?” He responded, “Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written:

*This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines human precepts.*

You disregard God’s commandment but cling to human tradition.”

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.

“From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile.”

Homily

Fr. Glen Butterworth, S.J.



Offertory Songs

Instrumental (5:30)



1. For the beau - ty of the earth, For the glo - ry
2. For the beau - ty of each hour Of the day and
3. For the joy of ear and eye, For the heart and
4. For the joy of hu - man love, Broth - er, sis - ter,
5. For your church, that ex - ce - lls Lifts its ho - ly
6. For your - self, best Gift Di - vine! To this world on



of the skies, For the love which from our birth
of the night, Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r,
mind's de - light, For the mys - tic har - mon - y
par - cat, child, Friends on earth, and friends a - bove;
lands a - bove, Of - f'ring up on ev - 'ry shore
free - ly giv'n; Word In - car - nate, God's de - sign,



O - ver and a - round us lies:
Sun and moon, and stars of light:
Link - ing scene to scene and sight: Lord of all, in
For all gen - tle thoughts and mild:
Its pure me - ri - tice of love:
Peace on earth and joy in heav'n:



you we raise This our hymn of grate - ful praise.

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

Mass of Christ the Savior

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

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

Great Amen

A - men. A - men. A - men.

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 A GLUTEN ALLERGY, & NEED OF A GLUTEN FREE HOST,
PLEASE COME TO THE PRESIDERS & INDICATE THIS.

Lamb of God

Vermulst

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

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God...

Assembly: Lord, I am not worthy that you
should enter under my roof,
but only say the word
and my soul shall be healed.

Communion

Blest Are They (5:00 & 9:30)

Haas

Re - jice and be glad! Bless-ed are
you, ho - ly are you! Re - jice and be glad!
Yours is the king - dom of God!

Gusten Y Vean (5:30)

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

Verses

Cantor

All

Cantor

All

Verses



1. Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2. Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that

joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called to be
 great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we'll

light for the king-dom, to live in the free - dom of the cit-y of God!
 hope for the hope-less so ha-tred and blind-ness will be no more!
 walk with each oth - er as sis-ters and broth-ers u - ni-ted in love!

Refrain



We are called to act with jus-tice, we are called to
 love ten - der - ly, we are called to serve one an - oth - er;
 to walk hum - bly with God!

Recessional

Instrumental

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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH



Sunday

9:30 AM Mass
 10:30 AM Taco Truck - Join Us!
 5:30 PM Mass

Monday

7:00 AM Mass
 7:00 AM Yoga - Body In Prayer
 7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer
 7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Goup

Tuesday

7:00 AM Mass

Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass
 7:00 AM Yoga - Body In Prayer

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

Friday

7:00 AM Mass

Saturday

3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation
 5:00 PM Vigil Mass



PARISH LIFE

Parish Life Commission

St. Joseph's Parish Life Commission is seeking new members. The Parish Life Commission strengthens the community of St. Joseph Parish by welcoming new members into the Parish, making current members feel welcomed through celebrations and social opportunities, and building and uniting various communities of life. **We meet on five Monday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the Parish Center. Meeting dates are: Sept. 21, Nov. 16, Jan. 25, March 21 and May 16.** Ministries we currently oversee include Newcomers, LGBTQ, Young Adults, Seniors, Men's and Women's ministry, Parish Picnic, Ceili and We Are St. Joseph celebration. If interested please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646. We are looking for 2-4 new members who can commit to either a 1, 2 or 3 year term.

Parish Picnic 2015

Join your neighbors, friends, & fellow parishioners on **Sunday, September 20th from 1 to 4 pm** for our Annual Parish Picnic.

Enjoy a fun-filled afternoon with rides for the kids along with cotton candy, snowcones and popcorn with live music and beer garden for the adults.

The parish provides hot dogs, beer, wine and root-beer. Everyone's invited to bring a side, salad or dessert to share. If you would like to volunteer, please contact our parish office at 206-324-2522.

If you are new to St. Joseph Parish, please come and join in the fun and introduce yourself to us!

Summer On The Green BBQ

St. Joseph's Young Adult Ministry invites you to welcome the new Jesuit Volunteers to Seattle after the 5:30 Mass.

Sunday, September 13th, 6:45 - 8:30pm

Introduction & blessing at the 5:30 pm Mass.

Parish will provide hot dogs, burgers/veggie burgers, buns and all the fixins, plus potato salad, some beer, wine & soda. Please bring an item to share. To volunteer, contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

Safe Environment Training

Thursday, September 17th
6:00 pm, Social Hall

Women's Ministry

**Listening Session, Sunday, September 13th
2:00 to 4:00 pm - Parish Center**

The Parish Life Commission is hosting a listening session to discern the future direction of the Women's Ministry at St. Joseph. All women of the parish are invited to attend, especially those who have not typically participated in Women's Ministry events. Kathleen Pape, a member of the parish and a spiritual director grounded in Ignatian Spirituality, will facilitate the discussion. Please join us to get to know more women in the parish and to share our stories. For more information and to RSVP contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or Mary Beth Hribar at marybeth_hribar@yahoo.com

Women's Book Group

Join us on **Wednesday, September 9th, at 7 pm in the Parish Center**, as Mary deRosas leads us in a discussion of *Living Buddha, Living Christ* by Thich Nhat Han. This well-known book offers a thoughtful exploration of the contemplative crossroads at which Christianity and Buddhism meet, as well as the common legacies of compassion and holiness left to us by Christ and the Buddha. For more information, contact Shelagh Lane at lane.shelagh@gmail.com

St. Joseph Men's Home Mass & Potluck Dinner

Friday, September 25th, 6:00 pm

McAteer home, 2109 E. Crescent Dr. Seattle
Main Dish provided. Please bring an item to share.
Questions or for more information contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206 965-1646.

Parishioner Book Reading

Are you just wild about Harry Potter? Crazy for Katniss Everdeen? Here's your chance to meet their new sister in literature: Astra Fairweather. Long-time St. Joseph parishioner Brian Jaybush, co-author of "The Summer Apprentice," Astra's first story, will read selections from that novel in the **Parish Center on Monday, September 21st at 7 pm**. The reading is free and open to everyone - and just like the novel - is appropriate for readers from fourth grade through adult!

Further information about Astra is available on Brian's website: www.Psiwriters.info, along with links to those merchants who can give you a head start into Astra's world!

PARISH LIFE

Women's Ministry Retreat

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

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

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, September 3rd from 7 to 8:30 pm**. Please join us. 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

Seniors On The Go

Friday, September 4th - Healing Mass at 11:30 am.
Please note there will not be a luncheon following Mass

Friday, October 2nd - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.

FAITH FORMATION



Children's Faith Formation Register Now!

Thank you to the parishioners who stepped up and said "YES!" to the call to teach our young ones. We are still looking for an adult to work with our kindergarten class, a co-teacher for grades 3 & 4, and a beginning scripture studies teacher for one of our three Junior High classes. **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.

Volunteer hours in CFF program apply to the required school volunteer hours.

This vital program is only possible with your support! Call me and let's talk about how you can help. ~Dottie

Course Offerings

Sunday Morning Childcare

Children's Faith Formation Pre-Kindergarten

Children's Faith Formation K (CFF K)

Children's Faith Formation 1 (CFF 1)

Children's Faith Formation 2 (CFF 2)

Children's Faith Formation Year 3 & 4 (CFF 3/4)

Children's Faith Formation Year 5 & 6 (CFF 5/6)

Children's Faith Formation Year Junior High

High School Confirmation

**Children's Faith Formation
registration is open now!**

**To register, visit our website
www.stjosephparish.org**

**Questions? Please contact Dottie Farewell at
dfarewell@stjosephparish.org
or 206-965-1652.**

**Deadline to register is
September 30th!**

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation Commission

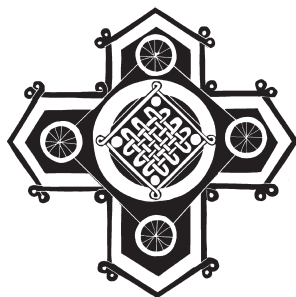
St. Joseph's Faith Formation Commission is seeking new members. *The Faith Formation Commission* forms and supports a spiritually and intellectually active community by developing educational programs appropriate to age and circumstances, supporting programs that nurture a sacred relationship with God, creation, and our local global communities, fostering dialogue and discussion in the Catholic Jesuit tradition. **We meet on six Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm in the Parish Center. Meeting dates are: September 22, October 26, January 12, February 23, April 26 and May 24.** Ministries we currently oversee include Children's Faith Formation (CFF), Adult Faith Formation, Sacramental Preparation, and Youth Ministry. If interested please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652. We are looking for 2-4 new members who can commit to either a 1, 2 or 3 year term.

Come and See What the Catholic Faith has to Offer

Tuesday, September 22nd - 7:00 pm – 8:30
St. Joseph's Parish Center

- Are you, your spouse, a friend, or an acquaintance a member of another faith tradition but worship regularly here at St. Joseph's?
- Are you experiencing God's call in your life and seeking Baptism or full communion or Confirmation with the Catholic Church?
- If you are, please consider participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. The RCIA is an opportunity to explore with others what the Catholic Church has to offer. It is an opportunity, through a process of discernment and gradual conversion to become a full member of the Catholic Church.

If you are interested contact
Deacon Steve
at 965-1646 or
stevew@stjosephparish.org
***All are welcome in this
journey of faith!***



Adult Faith Formation

Parish staff and volunteers have been working over the summer to plan a coordinated Adult Faith Formation that will begin in September. Over the course of the year, we plan to offer a variety of programs based on what we are calling the five pillars of faith: Belief and Practice, Sacraments, History, Scripture and Spirituality. Some of the highlights include: scripture study based on the Gospel of Luke; Catholic 101; Emerging Issues like the Pope's Encyclical *Laudato Si*, the Synod on the Family, the Year of Mercy and the Pope's presentation before Congress. Many of the programs will be in the evening but we are also working on programs that will be offered during the day and programs that will be offered online. Look for more details coming up in the Bulletin in September.

We Need Your Help

To offer these programs we need a group of volunteers that will help us prepare for, promote and facilitate these programs in the parish. If you are interested in helping out or would like to find out more about Adult Faith Formation, please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652 or Vince Herberholt at vherberholt3@comcast.net or 206-491-4486.



Sign Up Now For High School Confirmation

The Confirmation preparation program begins October 11th and includes Sunday lunch. Class sessions are from 12:15 to 2:00 pm. We will also have a Saturday retreat, service learning experiences, and a Reconciliation service. The date for the Confirmation Mass & Rehearsal will be in late January or early February. Students should be 16 years of age at the time of Confirmation or a High School Junior. The fee is \$135.00 and scholarships are available.

We will have an information meeting for students and their parents on Sunday, October 4th, following the 11:00 am Mass, in the Parish Center.

Register on our website, www.stjosephparish.org - click on the Faith Formation tab, then on High School Confirmation.

FAITH JUSTICE



Faith Justice Commission

St. Joseph's Faith Justice Commission is seeking new members. *The Faith Justice Commission* builds a community of gospel love and care at St. Joseph by sharing information and promoting opportunities for parishioners to engage in direct service with those in need, assisting in those events or programs that build greater companionship with the poor or marginalized, and developing collaborative avenues of advocacy to transform structures of poverty and displacement. **We meet on five Monday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the Parish Center. Meeting dates are: Sept. 14, Nov. 9th, Jan. 11, March 14, and May 9th.** Ministries we currently oversee include St. Martin de Porres Shelter, Francis House and our Sister Parish in El Salvador to name a few. We also coordinate the Alternative Christmas Bazaar, Giving Tree, Epiphany Dinner and We are St. Joseph's Service Days. If interested please contact Deacon Steve at stevev@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646. We are looking for 2-4 new members who can commit to either a 1, 2 or 3 year term.

Jubilee Women's Center

Looking for a gratifying volunteer opportunity? Lend a hand at Jubilee Women's Center—right next door!

Located a block away from St Joseph Parish, Jubilee Women's Center supports women experiencing poverty to build stable and fulfilling futures. Led by the guiding principle that all women are to be treated with respect and dignity, Jubilee's programs and services help formerly homeless women with affordable housing, education and support services so they can heal, grow and move from crisis to independence.

Volunteers are a highly valued part of the Jubilee community of support, making a significant impact on the lives of the 42 Jubilee residents and more than 1300 other low-income women in the Seattle area who rely on Jubilee for free clothing, computer access, classes and referrals.

It's easy to volunteer for a single project or an ongoing role, as an individual or in a group:

- Plan and prepare a meal for residents
- Donate women's clothing for the free boutique
- Staff the reception desk
- Sort clothing and assist in the boutique

To learn more about volunteer opportunities at Jubilee Women's Center, check out <http://www.jwcenter.org/get-involved/volunteer/>, or call 206-957-5512.

Shirts Across America

How did SAA come to be?

In 2007, 6 students from Washington state (including 2 students from St. Joseph's high school youth program) were challenged to grow \$500 each in support of Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts. That initial \$3,000 grew to over \$19,000 in 60 days, in large part from sales of t-shirts they designed and had produced. The group gathered friends and families to make their first trip to New Orleans in 2008, and quickly realized there was significant long-term work to be done.

Shirts Across America has continued their work in helping move families home with several "Build NOLA" volunteer trips throughout the year. SAA is focused on Building Homes to Build Leaders as we work with local high school students. "There are still thousands of families trying to move back home and living in dire situations," stated Randy Novak, Executive Director of Shirts Across America. "Our program has made a commitment to persevere and to stand with the poor who have been left behind in New Orleans. We know this is a solvable problem and it is truly inspiring to see these students roll up their sleeves to make lasting change."

10 Years Later

August 29th marks the 10 year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. SAA's role is to educate people, so they'll want to get involved and help another family move home.

Fun SAA Facts

- NOLA = New Orleans, Louisiana
- SAA has sent over 1,750 volunteers to NOLA and Mississippi.
- SAA has fully funded 15 homes through donations and time worked by volunteers.
- SAA volunteers have worked on over 130 homes/projects in the region.

How St. Joseph's can help

The cost to move a family off of the waitlist and build a home in New Orleans is approximately \$30,000. In the past, we've had individual parishioners generously donate for an entire home! We hope to move another family off of the waitlist, please be a part of the solution.

For more information, please visit:
<http://shirtsacrossamerica.org>



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

In Need Of A Concert Quality Grand Piano

St. Joseph Parish is in need of a concert quality grand piano between 6-7 ft. The piano need not be brand new but should be in good condition. If you or a friend have one in your home that you no longer play or are downsizing and would like to donate, our Music and Liturgy Pastoral Assistant would love to hear from you.

Please contact Robert McCaffery-Lent at rmclent@stjosephparish.org or call 206-965-1649 to explore whether your grand piano might be a good match. Thank you for your consideration!

Parish Holy Hour

Thursday, September 3rd, 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!

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For the families, friends and co-workers of Alison Parker & Adam Ward who are mourning their sudden deaths in VA . . . For Michael and Keith who both will be having surgery soon . . . For Patricia's wellbeing in all areas of her life . . . Safety for those on their bicycles . . . For success in finding a house on Capitol Hill . . . For families returning from vacation . . . For staff and faculty at St. Joseph School in their preparation for the school's new year in September.



*"Train up a child in the way he should go,
and when he is old, he will not depart from it."*

~ Proverbs 22:6

Mass Time Change

Mark your calendars! September 13th, Sunday morning Mass times return to 9:00 and 11:00 am.