



Sunday, 25 October 2015 \* Thirtieth Sunday of the Year \* [www.stjosephparish.org](http://www.stjosephparish.org)

# ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



*"Behold, I will bring them back  
from the land of the north;  
I will gather them from the ends of the world,  
with the blind and the lame in their midst,  
the mothers and those with child;  
they shall return as an immense throng."*



## THIRTIETH SUNDAY

### IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 25, 2015

Homily Next Week:

Fr. Glen Butterworth, S.J.

### Readings for November 1, 2015

FIRST READING: REVELATION 7:2-4, 9-14

SECOND READING: 1 JOHN 3:1-3

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:1-12A

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5 pm

Sunday - 9:00 am, 11:00 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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## Trick Or Treat For Jesuits

Each year thousands, yes thousands of witches, wizards and some saints visit the Jesuit house on Halloween night. Help us feed these hungry souls by bringing a bag or two of candy to the Parish Center or to Mass. Thank you!



## On the Pilgrimage of Grace

*Mercy: the word reveals the very mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. Mercy: the ultimate and supreme act by which God comes to meet us. Mercy: the fundamental law that dwells in the heart of every person who looks sincerely into the eyes of his brothers and sisters on the path of life. Mercy: the bridge that connects God and humanity, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness.*

*-Pope Francis, in his announcement of the Jubilee Year-*

The Synod on the Family, which began on 4 October and concludes this Sunday in Rome, has been challenging to the notion of discernment and dialogue so often promoted during the years of Pope Francis. Although, in structuring the gathering, the Holy See sought to incorporate improvements recommended by the bishops themselves—including more time in small, language groups, where issues could be more thoroughly debated—and sought some democratic reforms—e.g., the election by the members of both the moderators of the groups and the group reporters—more traditionally-minded bishops and cardinals have accused Pope Francis of manipulating the process. Indeed, among the opponents of Francis, some have gone so far as to accuse the Pope of plotting to subvert Catholicism itself (e.g., *New York Times* columnist Ross Douthat)—a view mimicked by many bloggers and commenters on websites covering the Synod. And though calls for “faithful” cardinals and bishops to boycott the Synod have been rejected, the enmity and division has not subsided, becoming at times both vicious and personal.

At the center of much of this division has been the question of whether or not Roman Catholics who have been divorced and civilly remarried can return to the Sacraments—particularly Eucharist—without receiving an annulment. For those who hold the traditional position, such a return constitutes a desecration of the Sacrament and a violation of long-defined Catholic theology. The “plain words” of Jesus (as some have said) makes marriage inviolable, and makes any remarriage, without an annulment, adultery. Further, this adultery, unlike other sins, cannot simply be forgiven, since the on-going civil marriage means that the adultery is, likewise, on-going. Thus, regardless of the civil condition of the previous spouse—i.e., whether or not one’s first partner is re-married, or was the one who procured the divorce, or anything else—the



existence of Catholic marriage, and the words of Jesus, make any re-marriage a form of on-going sin, for which the Sacrament of Reconciliation can offer no relief. Fearing that any change in the discipline of marriage will change the dogma of the Church, proponents of this position hold that the Truth of the gospel demands an heroic fidelity for those caught in this situation, a fidelity that no mercy can change, without denial of Christ's clear intent. Though all may be sinners, say the proponents, the scandalous nature of such remarriage, and the statements of Christ, make forgiveness and reception of the Sacraments, impossible.

This debate between the traditional position—by which thousands are functionally if not technically excommunicated—and the so-called “Kasper proposal”—after Cardinal Walter Kasper, who has called for reconciling Catholics in second marriages and bringing them back to the table—has engendered an amazing amount of anger among those who fear that the opening of communion is a first step in a transformation of Catholic doctrine. Archbishop Blase Cupich, of Chicago, for example, was pilloried by traditional Catholic bloggers for seeking a way to welcome both the civilly remarried as well as gays and lesbians to the altar. One journal contrasted his position to that of “faithful” bishops such as Cardinal Raymond Burke and others referred to it as a kind of “*cultural Marxism*,” since it replaces divine decree with human desires. All of these responses interpret the move towards greater mercy as a weakening of the “plain words” of Jesus and a first step in the undoing of the Catholic Church. Yet, I wonder if such a response, itself, is not inconsistent with Scripture and rooted in something other than the spirit of the gospel.

As do all Christians, Catholics look to the Bible, especially the gospels, as the inspired word of God: the expression of communities transformed by their experience of the resurrected Christ. Yet, in the end, it is not merely the words on the page, but the living Christ himself—resurrected and ascended, alive in the Church through the power of the Spirit—who, in dialogue with the Scripture and tradition, is the key to our understanding of God's will. Indeed, the very plurality of gospels—the fact that there are several versions of the same story—suggests that interpretation is not only allowed, but intrinsic to our faithful reading of Scripture. Just as each community of believers read and told the stories of Jesus through the lens of their experience, so we in the Church today are called to engage those stories in communion with the Spirit as we experience her: discerning what they mean in the context of our community. While not denying the authority of Scripture, the Catholic tradition thus avoids a fundamentalism that would deny the ongoing working of the Holy Spirit. In other words, for Catholics, the

truth of the gospel is never quite reducible to the “plain words” of Jesus, but requires discernment and interpretation, guided by the Spirit of God, who continues to act through the “*signs of the times*.”

Reading the many strongly and often fiercely worded comments about the Synod on the Family and how the “plain words” of Jesus make the admission of divorced and remarried Catholics to Eucharist impossible, I wonder, with Francis and others, if we are true to the depth of Jesus’ message. Certainly, Christ affirms that “*the two become one flesh*,” but in the context of this conversation—speaking to the Pharisees—is he not speaking against a kind of legalism that would allow a man to throw a woman to the curb and call it justice? Is this about the sadness of many modern divorces, or about the hypocritical behavior of the self-righteous? Which seems more likely (especially in Luke’s gospel). Further, when Jesus calls such a misuse of justice “*adultery*,” is he, in this, commanding that the many people remarried today must be permanently kept from union with his body and blood? Is that consistent with the One who broke the bread and shared the cup with Judas, with Peter, and with the rest of the apostles on the night they would betray him? Or, is it more likely that, even seeing the sorrow and brokenness of divorce, made final in remarriage, Christ would find a way to reconciliation, to compassion, to mercy? Since we must believe so ourselves to come to the altar—we who live in sins of judgment and selfishness, who do not visit prisoners or turn the other cheek—we should welcome our sisters and brothers to this table, where all sinners are renewed for the pilgrimage to grace.

*John S.*



**St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions:** For Brooke who is awaiting a liver transplant and for Karen who has been diagnosed with liver cancer – may our prayers and words strengthen them on their individual journeys . . . To pray for Pope Francis, our spiritual lamplighter . . . To remember all life is worth living.

***Rest in Peace***

***Dr. Jerome Zech whose service was on Friday. May His peace and love surround the Zech family.***

***“Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.”  
~Rev. Thomas A. Dorsey***

# ORDER OF CELEBRATION

## THIRTIETH 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

### Gather Us In (5, 9 & 11)

*Haugen*

1. Here in this place new light is stream - ing,  
2. We are the young our lives are a mys - tery,  
3. Here we will take the wine and the wa - ter,  
4. Not in the dark of build - ings con - fi - ning,

now is the dark - ness van - ished a - way  
we are the old who yearn for your face,  
here we will take the bread of new birth,  
not in some hea - ven light years a - way.

see in this space our fears and our dream - ings,  
we have been sung through - out all of his - t'ry  
here you shall call your sons and your daugh - ters,  
Here in this place the new light is shin - ing,

brought here to you in the light of this day.  
called to be light to the whole hu - man race.  
call us a - new to be salt for the earth.  
now is the King - dom, now is the day.

Gath - er us in the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in the  
Gath - er us in the rich and the haugh - ty, gath - er us in the  
Give us to drink the wine of com - pas - sion, give us to eat the  
Gat - her us in and hold us for - ev - er, Gat - her us in and

blind and the lame; call to us now and we shall a - wak - en,  
proud and the strong; give us a heart so meek and so low - ly,  
bread that is you; nour - ish us well, and teach us to fash - ion,  
make us your own; Gat - her us in all peo - ples to - ge - ther,

we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.  
give us the cour - age to en - ter the song.  
lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true.  
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

## Be Still(5:30)

Walker/Freeburg

1. Be still and know that I am God. You are my cho-sen one, to  
2. Be still and know that I am God. You are my cho-sen one, I  
3. Be still and know that I am God. You are my cho-sen one, to

whom my love I give. My life is yours, in you I live.  
came to set you free. Give me your cares and rest in me.  
whom I show my ways. My love is with you all your days.

Be still, be still and know that I am

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God.

## First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9

Thus says the LORD: Shout with joy for Jacob, exult at the head of the nations; proclaim your praise and say: The LORD has delivered his people, the remnant of Israel. Behold, I will bring them back from the land of the north; I will gather them from the ends of the world, with the blind and the lame in their midst, the mothers and those with child; they shall return as an immense throng. They departed in tears, but I will console them and guide them; I will lead them to brooks of water, on a level road, so that none shall stumble. For I am a father to Israel, Ephraim is my first-born.

## Responsorial Psalm *God Has Done Great Things For Us*

Haugen

God has done great things for us, filled us with laugh-ter and mu-sic.

## Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Brothers and sisters: Every high priest is taken from among men and made their representative before God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring, for he himself is beset by weakness and so, for this reason, must make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. In the same way, it was not Christ who glorified himself in becoming high priest, but rather the one who said to him: You are my son: this day I have begotten you; just as he says in another place: You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

## Gospel Acclamation

*Celtic Alleluia*

O'Carroll/Walker

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizable crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging. On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he kept calling out all the more, "Son of David, have pity on me." Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you." He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.



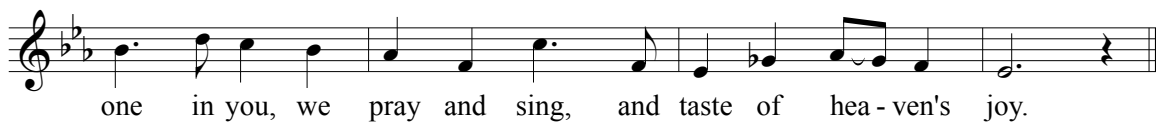
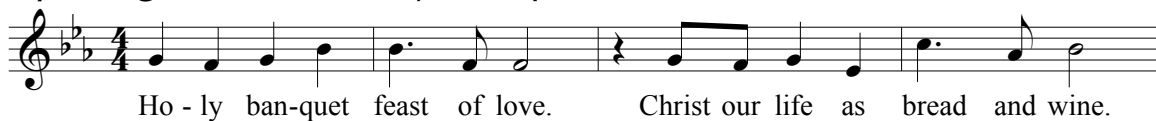
## Homily

Fr. John D. Whitney, S.J.

## Offertory Songs

*Holy Banquet Feast of Love*

Gouin

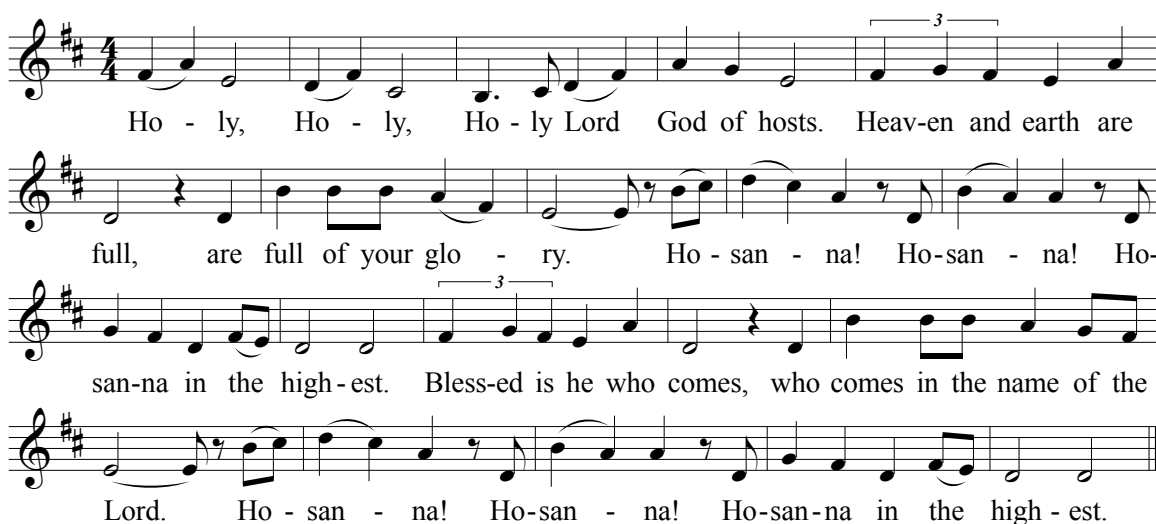


*Instrumental (5:30)*

## Holy, Holy, Holy

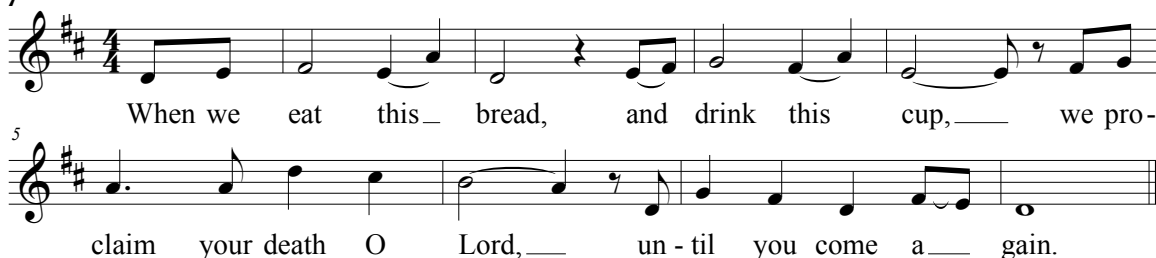
*Mass of Christ the Savior*

Schutte



## Mystery of Faith

Schutte



## 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 PRESIDER & INDICATE THIS.



## Communion Song

### *You Are Mine*

*Haas*

Do not be a-fraid I am with you. I have called you each by  
name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I  
love you and you are mine.

## Song of Praise

### *Your Hands, Oh Lord(5 & 11)*

*Plumptre/Mozart*

1. Your hands, O Lord, in days of old Were  
2. And then your touch brought life and health, Gave  
3. O be our might - y heal - er still, Great  
strong to heal and save; They tri - umphed o'er dis -  
hear - ing, speech, and sight; And those you healed, their  
Lord of life and death; Re - store and strength - en,  
ease and death, O'er dark - ness and the grave. To  
strength re - stored, Ac - claimed you Lord of light. And  
soothe and bless, With your al - might - y breath. On  
you they came, the blind, the mute, The  
so, O Lord, be blind, the to bless, The Al -  
hands that work and eyes that see, Your  
pal - sied, and the lame, The lep - er set a -  
might - y now as then, In ev - 'ry street, in  
heal - ing wis - dom pour, That whole and sick, and  
part and shunned, The sick, and those in shame.  
ev - 'ry home, In ev - 'ry trou - bled friend.  
weak and strong, May praise you ev - er - more.

# Blest Be the Lord (9)

Schutte

Blest be the Lord;                      blest be the Lord,                      the God of  
mer - cy,                      the God who saves.                      I shall not fear                      the dark of  
night,                      nor the ar - row                      that flies by day. Fine

1. He will re - lease                      me from the nets of all my foes.  
2. I need not                      shrink be-fore                      the ter-rors of the night  
3. Al - though a thou - sand strong                      have fall-en at my side,

He will pro - tect me from their wick - ed hands.  
nor stand a - lone be - fore the light of day.  
I'll not be shak-en with the Lord at hand.

Be - neath the shad-ow of his wings                      I will re - jice  
No harm shall come to me,                      no ar-row strike me down,  
His faith - ful love is all the ar - mor that I need

D.C. al Fine  
no to find a dwell-ing place se - cure.  
e - vil set - tle in my soul.  
to wage my bat - tle with the foe.

**Recessional**

*Instrumental*







# THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

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## Sunday

9:00 AM Mass - Childcare Available  
 10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join us!  
 11:00 AM Mass  
 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  
 6:00 PM Newcomers Event



## Intro to Centering Prayer

**Saturday, October 31 at 9:00-10:30 am**

"If you feel far away from God, guess who moved?" This 90 minute session will change your life. Join the St. Joseph's Centering Prayer group for an Introduction to Centering Prayer: a way to experience the full presence of God. St. Joseph's Parish has hosted this prayer group for over 25 years. Come participate in a supportive environment. You'll have the opportunity to ask questions and learn about other resources. Coffee and light snacks will be provided during Q & A. Please contact Allison Rabbitt at 206-683-6569 if you have questions. No need to RSVP - all are welcome.

## Liturgical Ministers

Part of the ongoing formation and support of liturgical ministers are regular gatherings for a meal, fellowship, Q & A and review of current praxis. Next meetups are:

**Ushers: Mon, Nov 9, at 6:30 pm**

**Eucharistic Ministers: Mon, Oct 26, at 6:30 pm**

**Lectors: Wed, Jan 13, 2016 at 6:30 pm**

Be sure to RSVP to your captain and to [Rmclent@stjosephparish.org](mailto:Rmclent@stjosephparish.org) so we can be sure to have enough food for everyone!

## Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass  
 7:00 AM Yoga - Body In Prayer  
 6:00 PM Pathfinders  
 7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

## Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

## Friday

7:00 AM Mass

## Saturday

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

# LITURGY AND WORSHIP

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## Remembering Our Beloved Dead

**The Solemnity Of All Saints:** At all the masses on the weekend of October 31 and November 1 we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, remembering all the saints known and unknown to us.

**Ritual Of Remembering:** At the 5:30 Sunday evening mass on November 1, we remember those who have died this past year.

**"Book of the Names of the Dead" & the "Saints Corner":** Christian communities remember the names of their dead. November is called the Month of All Souls and the dead are remembered in prayer.

As in previous years you are invited to bring photos of your loved ones to help create a shrine or "Saints Corner" to be located in the baptistery in the north transept of the church. This will be maintained as a sacred space for contemplation and prayer throughout the month of November until Advent begins on November 28.

Additionally you are invited to write the names of your departed loved ones in the "Book of the Names of the Dead" located at the entrance to the church.

*Please bring your photos on All Saints Weekend to the baptistery and place them in the box. Be sure to write contact information on the back of the photo so it can be returned to you after November.*

# Prayerfully Giving

## Discerning a Level of Stewardship That Fits Your Call

<p>Level One <i>Two Small Coins</i></p>	<p><b>For those with great hearts but limited resources.</b>  <i>"When Jesus looked up, he noticed a poor widow putting in two small coins. He said, 'I tell you truly this poor widow has put in more than all the rest. She, from her poverty, has offered her whole livelihood.'" (Luke 21:1-4)</i></p>	<p><b>A. \$150 &lt; \$350</b> about \$2 - \$7 a week</p> <p><b>B. \$350 &lt; \$750</b> about \$7 - \$15 a week</p>
<p>Level Two <i>Providing for the Mission</i></p>	<p><b>For those who sacrifice to build the mission.</b>  <i>"Accompanying Jesus were the twelve &amp; some women who had been cured, Mary called Magdalene, Joanna, Susanna, &amp; many others who provided for them out of their resources." (Luke 8:1-3)</i></p>	<p><b>A. \$750 &lt; \$1000</b> about \$15 - \$20 a week</p> <p><b>B. \$1000 &lt; \$1500</b> about \$20 - \$30 a week</p> <p><b>C. \$1500 &lt; \$2500</b> about \$30 - \$50 a week</p>
<p>Level Three <i>Sowing Bountifully</i></p>	<p><b>For those graced &amp; willing to share their bounty.</b>  <i>"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, &amp; whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (Luke 8:1-3)</i></p>	<p><b>A. \$2500 &lt; \$3500</b> about \$210 - \$300 a month</p> <p><b>B. \$3500 &lt; \$5000</b> about \$300 - \$420 a month</p> <p><b>C. \$5000 &lt; \$7500</b> about \$420 - \$625 a month</p>
<p>Level Four <i>Faithful &amp; Prudent Stewards</i></p>	<p><b>For those blessed with substantial resources &amp; able to share.</b>  <i>"Who, then, is the faithful &amp; prudent steward whom the master will put in charge to distribute the food allowance? Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, &amp; still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more." (Luke 12:42, 48)</i></p>	<p><b>A. \$7500 &lt; \$10,000</b> about \$625 - \$850 a month</p> <p><b>B. \$10,000 &lt; \$25,000</b> about \$850 - \$2,100 a month</p> <p><b>C. \$25,000 &lt; \$50,000</b> about \$2,100 - \$4,200 a month</p> <p><b>D. \$50,000 &lt; whatever</b> grace moves you to give</p>
<p>Level Five <i>Spiritual Companions</i></p>	<p><b>For those who have only their hearts to give.</b>  <i>"When he saw Peter &amp; John about to go into the temple, the beggar asked for alms. But Peter looked intently at him, as did John, &amp; said, 'I have neither silver nor gold, but what I do have I give you, in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean.'" (Acts 3:3-6)</i></p>	<p>If you are not able to give financially, know that your prayers--the gift that animates all others--are still needed. Please pledge to pray for St. Joseph.</p>

## Annapatrice Clarke - *We Show Up & Stand Up*

When I first moved to Seattle, I knew very few people, but I did know that I loved the Jesuit way of looking at the world. I figured I could meet wonderful people and be spiritually fed at the same time by going to St. Joseph. Both of those things have very much come true, and I'm excited to be a part of it! These days I help with the young adult community, and it's fun to welcome others who are moving here just like I did!

I give to St. Joseph because I believe in the work that our church does. We show up and stand up for what is right with integrity: working with people who are

marginalized and working for more just systems. St. Joseph is a welcoming community that I feel asks, "How can we better serve the community all around us?" I give to St. Joseph because the Parish and Young Adult Ministry is a place where I found home after I moved to Seattle. I give to St. Joseph because the Parish is a place where I can deeply connect to and challenge my faith, and I want to help support the peaceful space and community that is so important to me. My experiences at St. Joseph have included my questions being answered with, "Why not?" and "Let's see how we can do that." I am so grateful to be a part of this Parish.



## Mary & John Ott - *When Given a Gift You Say "Thank you!"*



In 1962 the construction of I-5 Freeway took out St. Patrick's church and school so our children were bused across town to Sacred Heart Parish. This inconvenience and the need for a larger house to accommodate our growing family prompted us to investigate St. Joseph Parish. In 1968 we purchased our home bringing us back to the Parish in which John and I were married.

When given a gift, "thank you" are the first words you offer. My life, in general, has been filled with gifts, blessings. A goodly share of those blessings have come from my involvement at St. Joseph Parish. The

spiritual enrichment opportunities provided by the St. Joseph staff is certainly "a gift that keeps on giving" and the best "thank you" is to try and contribute to the on-going efforts. I have met so many wonderful people because of volunteering, and friends are absolutely one of life's richest gifts. St. Joseph's community thrives because so many people share their gifts to enrich each other.



## Stewardship FAQ – Why Make a Commitment?

### What is the annual Stewardship Campaign and how is it different from the Annual Catholic Appeal?

Similar to listener-supported radio, St. Joseph depends upon listeners of the Word—and the annual Stewardship Campaign is our pledge drive. Because we are a church, we are not eligible for many grants or matching funds, so St. Joseph Parish completely depends upon the annual support of our parishioners. This is what we call Stewardship—local support of our local parish. The Annual Catholic Appeal, which comes in the Spring, raises money for the functioning of the Archdiocese and its key ministries, but directly benefits St. Joseph Parish only when we raise more than our assessment.

### Why is it important that I affirm my active membership in the St. Joseph Community and make a pledge of finances and/or prayers?

If we are to accomplish the work of our strategic plan—or more importantly the work of the Spirit—we must do so together, sharing our wealth, our talent, our time, and our prayers as stewards in the service of the Lord. **Your annual affirmation and commitment is a visible statement of your active participation in the mission of our Parish.** Together, we stand with whatever we can offer, as a faith community committed to be Ignited by the Eucharist to love and serve.

To be a member of the St. Joseph Community today is to follow Christ with your sisters & brothers through these steps:

- I. **ACTIVATION:** *If you have not already done so*, please register officially as a member of St. Joseph, either online or by dropping a written form in the collection basket or by the office. This need only be done once.
- II. **AFFIRMATION:** Each year, please send in a pledge card, telling us that you choose to be part of this community, giving whatever you can—prayer, especially, and financial support, if you are able.
- III. **PARTICIPATION:** Everything at St. Joseph depends on those who share its life, in whatever way you can: come to Mass, serve in a ministry, sustain the poor, learn the faith—proclaim the Gospel in companionship with all.

Completion of all 3 steps is important, especially if you need St. Joseph Parish to attest to your active, registered status for any reason (confirmation, high school admission, etc).

If you are not able to give financially this year, know that your pledge of prayers—the gift that animates all others—is always needed. Simply use the remit envelope to affirm your membership in St. Joseph Parish and pledge your commitment to pray for, and with, the St. Joseph Community.

### Will you publicize my name with the amount I give?

St. Joseph parish staff members strongly believe in protecting the privacy of donors and the confidentiality of information concerning them. Donor records, both hard copy and electronic, and all other donor information are highly confidential and protected by parish policy. Rest assured, we do not share your names, addresses, nor gift amounts with any other organization. (Note that all parishioners who have made direct gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal may receive communication from the Archdiocese).

As with previous annual stewardship campaigns, we plan to thank donors publicly by printing only your name in our bulletin; no dollar amounts will be reflected in the list. If you prefer your commitment remain completely anonymous, simply let us know and we'll be sure to omit your name from our weekly list of thanks.

Should you have any questions whatsoever about our annual Stewardship Campaign, please don't hesitate to contact Tina O'Brien, Director of Advancement, at [stewardship@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stewardship@stjosephparish.org) or 206.965.1654.



# FAITH FORMATION



## Sponsors Needed For RCIA

We are in need of 7-10 adults who can be a faith companion to someone going through the RCIA process to join the Catholic Faith.

Being a Sponsor is like being a trusted friend. You share what you can about your own faith journey. You offer counsel and support as you are able and to the extent that it is needed or desired. You serve as a bridge to the larger St. Joseph community. You listen and you pray.

If interested, please contact Deacon Steve at [stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1646.

## Congrats to St. Joseph Cross Country Team!

The kids had an amazing season culminating at the K-3rd Ribbon Run on October 4th and at the 4th-8th grade Championship Meet on October 11th where over 40 schools participated. Based on participation at the Ribbon Run and participation and scoring at the Championship Meet, St. Joe's K-8th grade team tied for third place in the AAA Division. A special shout out to the 6th grade girls for winning 1st place!! Thank you to Coaches D. Doyle and A. Sajer and all the parents who helped out at practices and at the meets!!



## Adult Faith Formation

The St. Joseph Faith Formation Commission invites you to join us for the inaugural year of our Adult Faith Formation program. All programs will be presented in the Parish Center.

**Small Group Bible Study Daytime** (Luke 1-11) \* Following the Threshold Bible Series (\$20 charge for the book and material – scholarships available) – Jesus the Compassionate Savior \* Facilitated by Sue Grady \* 6 Sessions \* Beginning 10/28 \* 9-10:30 am \* Brebeuf Room

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**Online Bible Study** (Lectionary – the Sunday Website of St. Louis University – <http://liturgy.slu.edu>) \* Facilitated by Linda Chavez and Vince Herberholt \* Will begin with the readings for November 9th. Introductory materials will follow in the next couple weeks.

**Infant Baptism Prep** \* 10/29 \* 6-8pm \* Arrupe Room \* Requires registration and a participant fee.

**Experience Communal Prayer:** Rosary Teaching Session \* Facilitated by Jackie Quinn \* 11/9 \* 7-8pm \* Parish Center Chapel \* For more information see the Rosary announcement in the Worship and Liturgy section of the bulletin.

**Experience Communal Prayer:** Sacred Silence Teaching Session \* Facilitated by Jim Hoover \* 11/16 \* 7-8pm \* Church South Transept \* For more information see the Sacred Silence announcement in the Worship and Liturgy section of the bulletin.

**To sign up for the Bible studies please contact Dottie Farewell at [dfarewell@stjosephparish.org](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1653.**

## Partnering with Parents: Topics in the Catholic Church Today

Do you read the news and all that the Catholic church is doing throughout the world and want to share your thoughts and ideas with other folks? Come join us for a facilitated adult group during the Children's Faith Formation on Sunday mornings **from 10:15-10:55 am** in the Parish Center. Feel free to drop in even if you've never attended before. Please contact Dottie Farewell at [dfarewell@stjosephparish.org](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1653 for more information or if you'd like to add your name to the email distribution list.



*During the month of October, we are highlighting a different Outreach Ministry each week that focuses on sustaining life. This weekend we focus on WestSide Baby...*



**WestSide Baby**  
*basics for children in need*



"The expanded size and scope created by the merger of the two organizations means Westside Baby is able to provide more support, more quickly and more effectively to families in terrible need. St. Joseph Baby Corner's mission has grown stronger. And, as ever, the generosity of St. Joseph's parish and school communities never ceases to inspire me."

- Winnie Sperry, St Joseph Parishioner

Continuing the tradition of St. Joseph's Baby Corner, WestSide Baby collects essentials for babies and children up to size 12 and distributes them *free of charge* to local families in need through partnership with 127 established social service agencies.

### **We Need Your Help!**

**Volunteer at our site:** Sort donations and fill orders, weekly or casually, based out of the Central District or White Center.

**Deliver donations:** Regularly deliver items from church to our facility.

**We need teens!** We have regular hours available for high schoolers to help.

**Donate - our most needed items are:**

- lightly used clothing up to size 12,
- diapers (size 6),
- kids' hygiene items,
- safety equipment such as usable car seats and portable cribs

Donations can all be placed in the collection crib in the sanctuary or dropped off at our locations. **Host a Drive:** Host a diaper or clothing and equipment drive at your school, home, church or work.

**Find out more – go to [www.westsidebaby.org](http://www.westsidebaby.org) or contact Volunteer Manager, Shana Allen [shana@westsidebaby.org](mailto:shana@westsidebaby.org) or 206-686-6659**



# PARISH LIFE

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## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

### Women's Mass & Potluck

Please join us November 6th, at 6:00 pm, in the Parish Center. Bring a dish to share. Childcare will be provided, including pizza for the kiddos. RSVP if you plan to attend and be sure to say if you need childcare by October 30th Please include the ages of your children.

Questions or to RSVP. Contact Karen Quinn-Shea at [kmquinnshea@gmail.com](mailto:kmquinnshea@gmail.com)

### Women's Spiritual Book Group

Join us on Wednesday, November 4th, at 7 pm, in the Brebeuf Room in the Parish Center to discuss **Shirt of Flame: A Year with Saint Therese of Lisieux** by Heather King. Diane Lostrangio will moderate the evening as we discuss King's reflections on how Saint Therese's "Little Way" and other teachings have informed her own spiritual path.

Contact Shelagh Lane at [lane.shelagh@gmail.com](mailto:lane.shelagh@gmail.com) or 206-526-8013 for more information and/or to RSVP.

## Newcomers Wanted!

*Welcome to St. Joseph!*

If you are a newcomer to the parish, please join us for our NEWCOMERS MEET, GREET & EAT Gathering.

**Tuesday, Oct 27th- 6:00 – 8:00 pm - Parish Center**  
**Food and Drink provided!**

Come meet the Parish Staff, your fellow new parishioners and learn about how to get involved in the parish. To RSVP please contact Jack Hilovsky at 206-965-1653 or [jackh@stjosephparish.org](mailto:jackh@stjosephparish.org)

## Seniors On The Go

**Friday, November 6th** - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.

**Friday, December 4th** - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.