

EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD MARCH 27, 2016

Reflection Next Week: Katie Jensen

Readings for April 3, 2016

First Reading: Acts 5:12-16
Second Reading:
Revelation 1:9-11A, 12-13, 17-19
Gospel: John 20:19-31

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 - 12:00-4:30 pm Parish Service

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An Easter People

We are an Easter people, and 'Alleluia!' is our song.

-Augustine-

On the 58th anniversary of my coming into this world, I think of them: the 37 year-old man and his 33 year-old wife. He had already seen war in the Pacific and served 10 years in the FBI, and it had made him strong but not arrogant; determined and ambitious, but still with a sense of humor and proportion. She had grown-up as the beloved youngest daughter of a father she adored, then graduated from a wonderful women's college in Washington, DC, without ever quite realizing that life was not a 1930's movie. They had met at a party, and left it with a few friends to make the 2:00 am "printers' Mass"—their first of only a handful of dates before their marriage. Ten years later, living now on the West Coast, with four children already and a fifth being born, they were a model of the post-War nation: busy, booming, and filled with hope.

I imagine their joy—which I knew so well—and their wondrous affection for each other. He always thought of himself as lucky to be married to this beautiful and feisty woman, who expected so much of him, and loved him with a depth that almost seemed to take their love for granted. Her spark could flare up in anger; but just as readily, she could warm a room with a smile or ignite it with a laugh. Both of them loved each other from a place of deep resonance, a place of faith and hope, as well as of passion. To them, their marriage was not just a choice, built on their own desires, but a gift of God, a calling and vocation to which they responded. Somehow God had given them to one another, and then given them these children to love and raise. They saw God's work in us, and found God in one another. And, ironically, because of that, they could argue ferociously (though never physically) with one another; for they argued like people who knew that the other person would be there when it was over—like you argue with someone you know is your partner for life, like you argue with God.

I never really knew them in those early years, of course, but I think of them, on this day, and try to imagine what it was like for them to see me for the first time. I believe they felt blessed—because that is how I always felt with them. And it is how I feel now, recalling all they taught me by word and example. Blessed.



Today, my parents are buried together in Holy Cross Cemetery, in Colma, California—my father's body joined, nearly two decades later, by my mother's ashes. I get to their grave rarely, these days, but when I do, I bring flowers and thanks for all they gave me.

This Sunday, we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord, i.e., the foundational moment of our faith tradition. It is easy to become overly spiritual about the Resurrection—to imagine that it is a great metaphor for how the teachings of Jesus and his martyrdom on the cross became integrated into a living community. Many have followed that path; de-mythologizing the Resurrection into something we can understand and wrap our heads around. But to do so is to miss the great truth of the Catholic faith.

The teaching of the Church, from the time of the apostles to now, is that Jesus the Christ, the One who was born in Bethlehem and raised in Nazareth, whose mother was Mary, who fished in the Sea of Galilee and walked the dusty roadways between Jerusalem and Nazareth several times in his life, who ate and drank and laughed and cried, and who was crucified on Calvary—that specific Jesus was raised to new life, by the power of God's love. It was not God, alone, who arose, but the unity of the God made flesh, i.e., the fullness of Jesus. He arose with a body, scarred by his suffering, though somehow no longer a part of the pattern of degeneration that is our experience. This is the great mystery, which our mind can never fully imagine or quite comprehend. But, it was not a metaphor that arose, nor is the Resurrection merely a symbol of something else. Rather, it was Jesus, with all his experiences and in the fullness of his Incarnation. In the absolute and incomprehensible truth of this Resurrection, lies all our hopes and the great promise of God to us. For if the death of Jesus was the sign of God's willingness to love us to the fullness of our humanity, the Resurrection of Jesus is the promise that God's love will unite the fullness of our humanity with God's own divinity.

If this is not true, as St. Paul tells us, then our hope is in vain. But, indeed, I believe it is true—believe it to be more completely true than anything else I know.

In my heart, filled as it is with the love of my parents and so many others who sleep in the earth—I experience the whisper of resurrection, like a song played just beyond my hearing, from which every now and then I catch a note. This song calls to me, telling me that death is not the final act, not the final verdict; but that something more is present, something endures and awaits fulfillment, something that cannot be overcome by time and mortality. We are made for resurrection, made to be embodied and connected in relationships of love that

transcend the grave. In Christ Jesus, we are given the first witness to this powerful reality, the first fruit of this gift, which is as mysterious in its origin as is life itself. Yet, it is true.

Jesus Christ is risen. And so shall we all be raised, by the power of love, by the mercy of God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For all those afflicted with sorrow . . . For

For the community of Brussels who experienced tragedy to members of their families - friends - and visitors . . . Thankful for first responders and for those who

have offered food and shelter and comfort to strangers who are stunned and shocked by Tuesday's events in Belgium . . . To pray for one another and for the intentions of Pope Francis on this Easter Sunday where the Lord's light shines forth.

"We must always walk in the presence of the Lord, in the light of the Lord, always trying to live in an irreprehensible way."

~Pope Francis

Honoring Fr. Lee Kapfer, S.J.

There will be a memorial mass and potluck supper for Fr. Lee Kapfer, S.J., on Friday, April 15 at 4pm at St. Joseph. All are welcome to come and honor his memory.





ORDER OF CELEBRATION EASTER SUNDAY

This worship aid is for all Sunday Masses.

Prelude

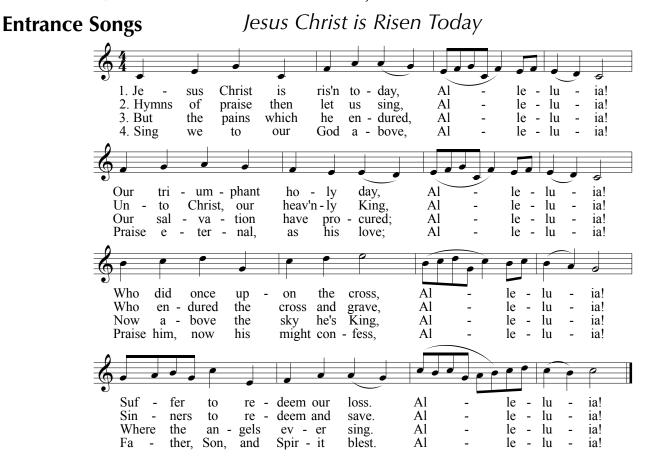
7am - Regina Coeli

O Queen of Heaven be joyful! Alleluia! For he who you have humbly borne for us, Alleluia, has arisen, as he promised, Alleluia. Offer now our prayer to God. Alleluia!

9am - Instrumental

11am - Choral - Easter Introit - Proulx

Alleluia, Alleluia! The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. Alleluia!



First Reading

Acts 10:34A, 37-43

Powell

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."





Second Reading Collossians 3:1-4

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Easter Sequence (sung by choir at 11am)

Christians, praise the pascal victim! Offer thankful sacrifice! Christ the Lamb has saved the sheep, Christ the just one paid the price, reconciling sinners to the Father. Death and life fought bitterly for this wondrous victory; the Lord of life who died reigns glorified! O Mary, come and say what you saw at break of day. "The empty tomb of my living Lord! I saw Christ Jesus risen and adored! Bright angels testified, shroud and grave clothes side by side! Yes, Christ my hope rose gloriously. He goes before you into Galilee." Share the good news, sing joyfully: His death is victory! Lord Jesus, victor King, show us mercy.



Festival Alleluia

Chepponis



Gospel John 20:1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.



Homily

Fr. John D. Whitney, S.J. Fr. Robert Grimm, S.J. (11am)

Renewal Of Baptismal Promises Prayers of the Faithful

Lector: Lord, In your mercy...

Assembly Response: Hear our prayer.

Offertory Song

7am - That Easter Day With Joy #445 9am - Instrumental

11am - Festival Canticle

Praetorius

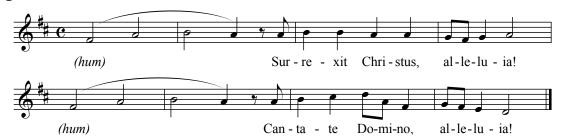
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Prayer over the Offerings

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.

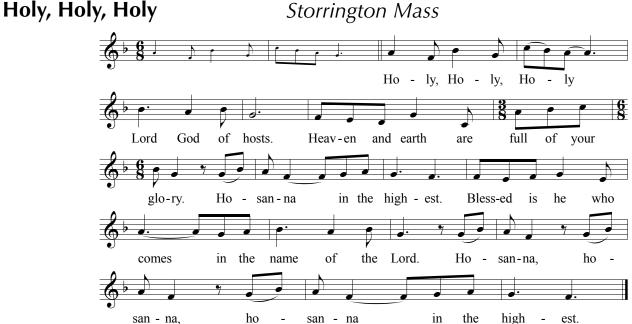
Assembly: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly: It is right and just.



Haugen Storrington Mass





Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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



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.



Song of Praise

Sing With All the Saints in Glory



Communion Prayer

Celebrate Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ,

you have taught us to be merciful, as the heavenly Father is merciful. Help us to celebrate your mercy: by loving the world as you love, by walking the way of your cross,

by living as women and men bound for resurrection.

May the love you revealed in the emptiness of the cross, bring us the fullness of hope. May the mercy you offer in your body and blood,

nourish us in mercy for others. May the glory of God you receive in the wonder of the Resurrection, bring us all to communion with you

who live and reign with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

Amen.



Instrumental



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH



Sunday

7:00 AM Mass 9:00 AM Mass

10:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt, Coffee & Donuts

11:00 AM Mass

Monday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

7:00 AM Yoga - Body in prayer7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Goup

Tuesday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

Wednesday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

7:00 AM Yoga - Body in prayer

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

7:00 PM Tent City Hosting Meeting

Friday

7:00 AM Mass

Saturday

8:00 PM Centering Prayer Group 3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

WE ARE ST. JOSEPH

We Are St. Joseph

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

Today, our parish is home to more than 1800 families and a second home to even more friends. Nearly 1/3 of our parishioners are active volunteers in our ministries, contributing both time and talent to our 3 dozen ministries, undertaken to serve those in our parish and to the elderly, ill, and needy in our area. Our parish school forms 600+ children from kindergarten through 8th grade. Our religious education and youth program ministers to nearly 350 families.

Week after week, Sunday after Sunday, hundreds of people gather here to pray and then go forth from this beautiful place to live their Christian faith. In welcoming you here today, we invite you to become a part of the life and mission of St. Joseph by joining us for Sunday Mass and, if possible, by involving yourself in one of the many ministries and activities that are the hallmark of St. Joseph.

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, we look forward to getting to know you better. Email welcome@stjosephparish.org for more information.



Explore And Get Involved In The Ministries of St. Joseph

A snapshot of how the Gospel is lived out year-round at St. Joseph Parish. *To get involved, call 206-324-2522 or visit www.stjosephparish.org for more information.*

Liturgy & Worship

The parish community of St. Joseph gathers together to pray and worship throughout the liturgical year. Prayer, especially the celebration of the Eucharist, binds our community together to give honor and glory to God and to recognize the real presence of Christ and the Spirit in one another.

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

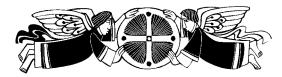
Altar Servers - Serving at the altar is a great way for our youth to get involved. Open to all parish youth from 6th to 8th grade, participation begins with a year-long commitment to this important ministry. Please contact Fr. John if you are interested and to reserve a spot in one of the next training sessions, jwhitney@stjosephparish.org

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

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

Ushers - It is the ushers who greet people warmly, introduce strangers, help people sit together, pass out songsheets, provide hearing assisted devices and offer hospitality. For more information or to join this important ministry, please contact Usher Coordinator Bruce Mirkin, ushers@stjosephparish.org or (206) 391-6155.

Choir - Choir rehearses Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 pm and sings the 9am Mass on Sunday mornings as well as some holy days and special liturgies of Christmas and Triduum/Easter. The choir is open to singers who are high school age or older. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact Robert McCaffery-Lent, Pastoral Assistant for Music and Liturgy, at 206-965-1649 or email rmclent@stjosephparish.org



Prayer Groups

There are myriad opportunities to take part in the prayer and devotional life at St. Joseph apart from Sunday liturgies.

Body in Prayer Yoga - The yoga group has been meeting regularly at St. Joseph for many years, most Monday and Wednesday mornings at 7am. As space is limited and prior registration is required, please contact Fran Gallo directly to find out more about this group: www.frangallo.com

Centering Prayer - We meet the first and third Saturdays of each month from 8:00 to 9:30am for prayer, information, and sharing in the Jogues Room on the second floor of the Parish Center. For more information, please contact Allison Rabbitt at centeringprayer@stjosephparish.org

Rosary Groups - We are blessed to have two regularly meeting Rosary groups here at St. Joseph. The Holy Rosary Group meets each Monday from 7 to 8pm in the Parish Center Loyola Chapel. The Holy Hour Rosary Group meets each first Thursday of the month from 7 to 8pm in the same Loyola Chapel. Each gathering is usually followed by a reception and an opportunity to spend time together. Please contact Tom Cannon and Jackie Quinn for more information by emailing rosary@ stjosephparish.org

Sacred Silence - We gather in the church, or another spot on the campus, on Monday nights from 7 to 8pm. Time is spent in silent prayerful sitting and walking. It is a peaceful retreat from the busyness and distractions of the day. For additional information on Sacred Silence or silent prayer email Jim Hoover at sacredsilence@stjosephparish.org or call (206) 286-0313.



Parish Life Ministries

Grouped around some commonality of life experience, our Parish Life ministries provide places and times where we can grow and share our faith lives through active participation in community, social events and retreats.

Men's Ministry - Each year our Men's Ministry organizes a number of great events that provide opportunities for prayer and reflection and supportive discussions. These gatherings will charge the batteries of our faith and are always a lot of fun. For additional information email men@stjosephparish.org

Women's Ministry - For women who seek a deeper relationship with God and with one another through spirituality, fellowship, knowledge, and service in action. We welcome all women seeking the path of God. For more information email women@stjosephparish.org

LGBT Ministry - For LGBT identified members of St. Joseph Parish who seek to develop community and fellowship through social gatherings. We seek to grow and explore our spirituality through education, formation, prayer and service. For more information email lgbt@stjosephparish.org

Young Adult Ministry - Looking for community? A place to discuss faith and life with others? The St. Joseph Young Adult Community focuses on building spirituality, friendship, and creating social, spiritual, and service opportunities for young adults in the Seattle area. Follow us on Facebook for more information - https://www.facebook.com/stjosephyoungadultcommunity

Seniors Ministry - Join us and participate in the many ways we celebrate our community life together. Call Mary Ott at (206) 324-7459 or Dolores Dorn (206) 322-2259 or email seniors@stjosephparish.org for more information about our events and how you can participate.

Prayer Shawl Ministry - Our Prayer Shawl ministry was founded by a group of parishioners wishing to come together in community to knit or crochet prayer shawls for those in need of comfort and healing. Our monthly gatherings are a time to share, pray, reflect, rejoice, and learn from one another. For more information, please contact: Jennifer Rothmeyer at prayershawlgroup@stjosephparish.org

We Are St. Joseph Events Ministry - Parish-wide events celebrating our community and open to both family and friends: Ceili Dinner to celebrate the feast of St. Patrick, March 12, 2016; We Are St. Joseph Service Days & Celebration Dinner, April 22 & 23, 2016; Seattle Sounders Soccer Game, August/September 2016; and St. Joseph Parish Picnic, September 2016.

CYO Sports - Opportunities for the youth of St. Joseph Parish and St. Joseph School to participate in various sports activities in a safe, well organized, and properly supervised program; and to develop skills, self discipline, and attitudes of sportsmanship based on the Christian principles of fair play and teamwork. CYO sports at St. Joseph are offered under the umbrella of the Archdiocese of Seattle and teams compete against other Catholic schools in the greater Seattle area. For more information about CYO, please check out the St. Joseph School website: www.stjosephsea.org

Funeral Hospitality Ministry - Dealing with all the details of planning the funeral of a loved one can be difficult. Our team exists to help lighten that burden. As part of our loving concern for the life of the community here, our ministry team can provide assistance in the planning and hosting of a reception after funeral services. Get involved we are always in need of helpful and friendly assistance, for information please don't hesitate to contact Mary Ott at funeralhospitality@stjosephparish.org or 206-324-7459.

Retreats -Many of our Parish Life Ministries have retreats throughout the year. Please check our bulletin and our website for information about upcoming retreats, www. stjosephparish.org

St. Joseph School

St. Joseph School has, from our beginning in 1907, been known for the excellence of our academic programs, the generosity and liveliness of our parent community and the commitment and care of our staff. For more information about St. Joseph School, visit the school website: www.stjosephsea.org

Faith Formation

St. Joseph Parish nurtures intellectual curiosity, emotional maturity, and spiritual formation in all its members, while also seeking to foster a respectful dialogue with the culture-at-large and other religious traditions.

Children's Faith Formation

Baptism- Baptism is the first of three Sacraments of Initiation into the Catholic Church. St. Joseph offers classes for parents with infants up to age fives years old and godparents. Liturgical celebrations of infant baptisms are offered throughout the year. Children older than five years of age participate in classes with their parents and receive the sacrament in the spring.

Children's Faith Formation - Raising a family takes love, effort, time, and community, and we work to provide dynamic faith education experiences here at St. Joseph. Children's faith education begins at home and we are here to support a families faith heritage through our classes and family-centered activities.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children - Children who have not yet been baptized by the age of seven years old receive full initiation (Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation) into the church during the Easter season. Children participate in preparation classes as a group to learn about the Catholic faith. Parents and godparents are an active part of the child's faith formation during this time. Concluded for this year.

Pathfinders Youth Group - Pathfinders has brought together hundereds of youth on Wednesday evenings to form friendships and promote awareness of those in need through the lens of spirituality. Pathfinders is open to all 6th, 7th and 8th graders in our community and meets weekly on Wednesday nights from 6-7:30pm in the parish center. For more information email pathfinders@stjosephparish.org

High School Confirmation -The sacrament of Confirmation is offered annually beginning with classes in early fall with the Confirmation Mass in winter. High school students must be 16 years of age, baptized and received Eucharist, and actively seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation. Concluded for this year.

The VOICE Youth Group - The VOICE is open to all high school age students interested in exploring their lives and spirituality more deeply – and just having some fun! This group meets once a week; on Wednesday nights from 7-8:30 pm at the Parish Center. For more information email samk@stjosephparish.org

Adult Faith Formation

RCIA - We are blessed in having a fantastic Rite of Christian Initiation program here at St. Joseph. Through RCIA, adults enter into our Catholic community. Trusting that each participant's journey of faith and spirituality has been going on their whole lives, R.C.I.A. initiates those wishing to enter fully into the Church.

Bible Study – Bible study brings Christ alive in our head and heart. We use a variety of approaches including small group classes, one to three part Scripture Series, and a new online self-guided study based on the week's lectionary at: https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.word-press.com (to access use the the word Arrupe).

Prayer and Spritituality- Instruction on types of prayer & an opportunity to actively experience prayer at the parish. These educational opportunities are offered throughout the year and include how to pray the rosary, Sacred Silence, Holy Hour, and Ignation Spirituality. Please check the bulletin for more information throughout the year.

Partnering With Parents - A variety of topics and current articles and events will be explored giving parents the opportunity to better understand what's happening in the modern Catholic Church today. Open to all parents Sunday mornings during CFF in the parish center.

Beliefs and Practices - Learning opportunities for adults via multi-week programs such as GoodNews People and Catholic 101. The GoodNews People program is a JustFaith Ministries program created to inspire, engage, and educate parishioners with the goal of mobilizing thousands of Catholics to become GoodNews People to the world. Catholic 101 is a new program developed to provide understanding of the beliefs, practices, and teachings of the Catholic Church. Concluded for this year.

Related Works - The journey of faith and spirituality continues after entry into the Church and so we embrace a variety of groups, programs, and organizations that assist us in bringing light and grace into our lives. Partner ministries include the Ignatian Spirituality Center (ISC) and its spiritual direction services and programs, Magis and the Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL).

For more information about any Faith Formation program at St. Joseph, please contact Dottie Farewell dfarewell@stjosephparish.org

Faith Justice

For more than a hundred years, St. Joseph Parish has served the greater community of Seattle through its commitment to advocacy and service. Beginning with our own parish and growing out of the Gospel call to love God and to love neighbor, we have sought right relationship in companionship with each other.

Annual Events - Each year, the Faith Justice ministries of St. Joseph Parish team up with our Outreach Partners to offer four signature service events: the Alternative Bazaar happens each November; the Giving Tree is a annual opportunity for members of the parish to experience the goodness of giving during the Christmas Season; the Epiphany Dinner celebrates the end of Christmas by bringing together parishioners, Outreach Partners, and neighbors from all over Seattle; the Spring Service Days provide parishioners opportunites to make a difference in our community and gather together for our Spring Celebration Dinner.

Choose Life Ministry - The Choose Life Ministry at St. Joseph's helps inform our community that life is more than a choice, it is sacred gift. For more information, please email Peter Wurmbauer at chooselife@stjosephparish.org

Dialogue For Justice - The Dialogue for Justice is an Archdiocesan-wide initiative to strengthen Catholic advocacy on behalf of poor and vulnerable people in our communities. The goal of the Dialogue for Justice is to partner with parishes and Catholic organizations to effectively advocate to reduce poverty in our communities through educating grassroots advocates, convening advocacy gatherings, providing legislative briefings, coordinating and supporting in-district meetings with legislators, encouraging participation in Catholic Advocacy Day, and providing advocacy resources to parishes and groups. For more information email stevew@stjosephparish.org

Sister Parish Ministry - As we approach our 27th year in relationship with San Bartolomé Parish in El Salvador, our sister parish committee continues to build bonds between our communities. Areas of focus include addressing the root issues of poverty and emigration to the United States. To get involved, please email Daniel Stoner at sisterparish@stjosephparish.org

St. Martin de Porres Meals - Each Saturday of the month, St. Joseph parishioners and volunteers make and serve sandwiches, boiled eggs, fruit and milk for 212 homeless men. We have five teams of 20-25 people for each Saturday of the month. Please contact us at stevew@stjosephparish.org and we will be happy to welcome you to this ministry.

Winter Overnight Shelter - The St. Joseph Winter Shelter provides overnight shelter and 'meal bags' for fourteen homeless men, age 50 and older, five nights a week from October through April. The program tries to offer a night's rest in an environment of dignity, respect and safety. Shelter volunteers are men and women of all ages, special people who aren't afraid to face a population and a life style that might be different then their own. To volunteer contact Taffy McCormick at wintershelter@stjosephparish.org

St. Vincent de Paul - The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference at St. Joseph Parish serves the poor by making in-home visits, listening to those in need and providing support as resources allow. The generous donations of St. Joseph parishioners, collected after Masses on the first Sunday of each month, provide the means by which we can help people in need with food, clothing, rent, bus fare and utility bills. We have no overhead expenses, so 100% of donations go to help the people we visit. If you would like to attend a meeting or are interested in learning more about the society, please email Dennis West at svdp@stjosephparish.org

Outreach Partners - St. Joseph nurtures our great relationships with outside organizations that work to support people in need. Many St. Joseph parishioners have found that working with these organizations have given them new understandings of their faith and the world. Organizations include: WestSide Baby, Habitat for Humanity, Jubilee Women's Center, L'Arche, Noel House, Bloodworks NW, Recovery Cafe, St. Francis House, Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center and Shirts Across America.

For more information about any of our Faith Justice Ministries, please contact Joe Prusa, chair of our Faith Justice Commission at faithjustice@stjosephparish.org

Parish Life



We Are St. Joseph Parish Directory

Yes, we are getting a new directory!! We're moving forward with plans to publish and need your help! This spring Lifetouch Photography (www.lifetouch.com) will partner with the parish to photograph individuals/families who are registered as parishioners at St. Joseph from April 27 through May 21. Here's what you need to know:

1. Location: Brebeuf Room in the Parish Center.

2. Weeks photography will take place:

*April 27-May 1 (Wed through Sun)

*May 3-7 (Tues through Sat)

*May 11-15 (Wed through Sun)

*May 17-21 (Tues through Sat)

Look at website next
week for sign ups

3. Photography Times:

Weekdays (Tues-Wed-Thurs-Fri): 1:00-9:00 PM

Saturdays: 10:00-5:00 PM Sundays: 12 Noon-7:00 PM

- 4. **Photography:** Each individual/family will receive a complimentary 8 X 10 portrait and free Parish Directory. There will also be no-pressure portrait sales available with price sheets provided upfront for your families immediately after the photo shoot.
- 5. **Submitted photos:** If you are unwell or unable to be photographed, you may submit a photo at a cost of \$10. You will receive a free Directory along with the return of your submitted photo.
- 6. **Sign ups:** Stay tuned for scheduling your photo appointment and how you can volunteer.

More information will be shared in upcoming bulletins. If you have questions feel free to contact Jack at JackH@ stjosephparish.org



Seniors On The Go

Friday, April 8th - Healing Mass at 11:30 followed by luncheon in the Parish Center. **This is SECOND Friday.**

Tuesday, April 12th - Seniors Planning Meeting and Movie at 11:30am.

Thursday April 14th - 10am-4pm, Senior outing: Join us for trip to see the tulips in in Skagit Valley followed by lunch and shopping in the quaint town of LaConner. Free...everyone on their own for lunch! Signup with Renee at 206-324-2522 or rleet@stjoseph parish.org

Thursday, May 5th - Trip to Bloedel Reserve/Bainbridge Island.

Friday, May 13th - Healing Mass at 11:30 followed by luncheon at Parish Center. **This is SECOND Friday.**

Thursday, May 19th - 12 noon-2pm, Lunch and Cabaret Show with Sigrid Endresen.

Sunday, May 22nd - Lunch and Seminar on Aging after the 11am Mass.

New Support Group for Seniors

Are you a senior who lives alone, wishing for an opportunity to meet others like yourself—to meet, greet and share time together? St. Joseph Parish is starting just such a support group. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 20th from 11:00 to 12:00 noon and will continue to meet thereafter on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. We will meet in the Arrupe room. Please call Eleanor McCall at 206 325-4615 or e-mail Frances Chikahisa at <franceschikahisa@me.com> for further information. We will provide tea, coffee and snacks.

Women's Ministry

Spirituality Book Group

Our next gathering will be on **Wednesday, April 13**, to discuss Called to Question by Joan Chittister, OSB. Sister Joan is a particular favorite of many of us, and this memoir is sure to precipitate a lively and thoughtful dialogue.

We'll start at 7pm, meeting in the Brebeuf Room of the Parish Center. Linda Chavez will facilitate the evening, and all are welcome to come. Bring snacks/refreshments to share, as inclined. For more information or to RSVP, contact Shelagh Lane (206/526-8013 or lane.shelagh@gmail.com)



FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation

Partnering With Parents series continues during Children's Faith Formation in the parish center. Open to all adults, this group meets to discuss current Catholic topics in the media today. Sue Grady, MDiv leads the discussion every Sunday from 10:15 am to 10:55 am.

On-line Scripture Study continues weekly; this online, self-directed study allows you to bring Christ alive in your head and heart through weekly lectionary-based reflections. Please visit and sign up: https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.wordpress.com (to access use the word Arrupe)

St. Joseph's Parish Dance

Calling all 7th and 8th graders – join us for a NEON dance hosted by the VOICE, St. Joseph's high school youth group. All proceeds will go toward a youth delegation trip to El Salvador. Dress up, bring friends and support a good cause! **Be sure to invite your friends from the other parishes and schools listed below!**

Who? 7th and 8th graders
When? Friday, April 8
Time? 7 pm - 9:30 pm
Where? Wyckoff Gym, St. Joseph's School

Price? \$10 w/ free water bottle (AND first 100 people receive free LED foam stick)!

List of Included Parishes and Schools: St. Joseph, ASB, Christ the King, Forest Ridge, Holy Family, Holy Rosary, Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Our Lady of the Lake, Seattle Nativity School, St. Alphonsus, St. Anne, St. Benedict, St. Bernadette, St. Catherine, St. Edward, St. Francis, St. George, St. John, St. Luke, St. Mark, St. Matthew, St. Paul, St. Therese, and Villa.



FAITH JUSTICE

Prison Ministry Conversation

During Pope Francis' Year of Mercy, we are invited to consider how we can incorporate the Works of Mercy into our lives. Jesus asks us to Visit the Prisoner. Parishioners Al O'Brien and Mark Petterson are hosting a meeting **April 18th, at 7pm** in the Parish Center to talk about, and listen to, issues related to the prison system in Washington State and around the nation. We will collaborate, connect, and plan an upcoming informational panel at St. Joseph's. For more information contact Mark Petterson at petterson.mr@gmail.com or Al O'Brien at obcomm@hotmail.com

Tent City Coming to St. Joseph's

Tent City 3 has accepted our invitation to come and take up residence on our parking lot/playground this summer.

The first meeting of the TENT CITY ORGANIZING COMMITTEE will be Thursday March 31st from 7-9pm in the Parish Center. At this meeting we'll review the kinds of events/ activities we sponsored in the past and look forward to hearing some of your ideas.

St. Vincent de Paul

The cherubic little face that curiously peered around the partially opened door brought smiles just to see him. His mom told him he could come in as she was visiting with two of our St. Vincent de Paul volunteers. The two older kids were in school.

Calmly, she explained that they had enough food thanks to food stamps. She was short of rent money. But her main concern was that her children needed shoes. The youngest (age 4) needed a heavy winter jacket that would fit him. And her 11-year-old daughter didn't have a decent dress to wear for a birthday party to which one of her classmates had invited her.

Our volunteers said they could help with the rent, \$150.00. And, thanks to the merger of St. Joseph Baby Corner with Westside Baby, the clothing could be gotten—the dress in time for the party. Because Westside provides clothing for children up to age 12, we are able to help older children in ways we could not before the merger.

It is your support that enables us to help needy families. Especially for that 11-year-old, we thank you for all you do.

Service Day Descriptions - April 22nd & 23rd

Service

Friday April 22nd 10:00am – 2:00pm Chief Seattle Club

"To provide a sacred space to nurture, affirm and renew the spirit of urban Native Peoples" Five days a week, we offer a place where urban American Indians and Alaska Natives, many of whom are homeless and low-income, can join to share a common meal, speak their own languages, access social services, and find peace, without fear of public censure or discrimination.

410 2nd Ave Ext South Seattle 98104 206-292-6214 http://www.chiefseattleclub.org/

2-5 volunteers needed Ages 18 and older

Deep cleaning of our kitchen & other areas of building

Dress for cleaning, supplies provided. Brown Bag Lunch

Saturday April 23rd 10:00 am – 12 Noon Noel House

Noel House Programs provides safe, comfortable shelter to a diverse community of homeless women, particularly those most vulnerable. We strive to create an environment of dignity, respect and compassion. We recognize the intrinsic value of each person and honor her unique experience.

Since its inception in 1990, Noel House Programs has offered nightly shelter to single women experiencing homelessness. Over the years, Noel House Programs has grown to include a variety of services, including referrals to 15 emergency shelters, nightly meal service, and case management at the main Noel House shelter. In total, Noel House Programs assists 72 women with nightly shelter, 20 women with permanent housing and 180 women with nightly emergency shelter referrals.

118 Bell Street Seattle 98121 206-456-3450 www. noelhouse.org

2-6 Volunteers Ages 13 and older (Minors must be accompanied by Adult)

Volunteers will be asked to assist in Kitchen cleaning (scrubbing walls, cabinets, oven, refrigerator etc). Cleaning supplies. Volunteers should dress for cleaning. Brown Bag Lunch

Saturday April 23rd 9:30 am – 1:30 pm Peace for the Streets by Kids from the Streets

We exist to support homeless and at-risk youth and young adults to become empowered to lead positive and self-sufficient lives. Our philosophy and practice of inclusion has allowed us to develop low access barriers to engage young people who are at risk of falling through gaps in community services.

1609 19th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122 206-726-8500 Ext 111 http://www.psks.org/

Cleaning/organizing of interior and exterior of our homeless youth community center with special focus on beautifying the outside entrance.

3-10 Volunteers needed ages seven and older (minors must be accompanied by adult)

Dress to get dirty and bring gardening tools if you have them. Brown Bag Lunch

Saturday April 23rd 10:00 am – 2:00 pm Pregnancy & Parenting Support: Catholic Community

The primary focus of the Pregnancy and Parenting Support Program is to assist pregnant and newly parenting women, the fathers of the babies, their families and significant others in creating a plan for the unborn child and addressing the pertinent issues integral to making the plan work. We support new mothers and significant others in locating sought after resources, creating new opportunities, and forming positive environments for themselves through careful assessments and evaluations.

4250 South Mead Street, Seattle 98118 (St Edward Parish, Old rectory) 206-725-2090

http://www.ccsww.org/site/ PageServer?pagename=families_pregnancysupport

10 Volunteers needed ages 8 and above (parent must be with child if minor) We need 1-2 folks who have a truck for hauling items!

Sort and organize donations, haul away unusable furniture/items; rearrange furniture, bag diapers/wipes, print/cut fold flyers & brochures. Volunteers should wear comfortable clothes, if you will do yard or gardening, bring garden tools Brown Bag

Saturday April 23rd 11 am – 2:00 pm L'Arche Noah Sealth

The Mission of L'Arche is: To make known the gifts of people with developmental disabilities, revealed through mutually transforming relationships. To engage in our diverse cultures, working together toward a more humane society. To foster community that is inspired by the core values in our founding story and responds to the changing needs of our members.

816 15th Ave E 98112 206-325-9434 http://www.larcheseattle.org/

4 – 6 Volunteers needed, children over ten if accompanied by parent. We need help with beautifying our yard at Shuinota house. We hope to build raised garden beds, work on weeding, pruning, take out an old fence and plant some veggies and flowers. Dress in work clothes and for outdoor work. Brown Bag Lunch. Bring gardening gloves, shovels, shears etc.

Saturday April 23rd 10:00am -2:00pm St. Vincent de Paul Georgetown warehouse

Vincent de Paul in Seattle and King County is made up of more than 50 conferences—"all-volunteer neighborhood support groups" who make personal in-home visits and personal contacts to help people with survival and self-sufficiency support. Our neighborhood volunteers are the heart, soul, and face of our organization. We would not exist without them. Their approach to working with people who are suffering and need help is unique. Each conference has a group of members who gather to serve people who need help in their area. These visits help determine the exact nature and detail of the assistance required to help our neighbors.

We annually serve close to 150,000 people in home visits, case management, food bank, and related programs. Every year we know our service plays a major role in helping to prevent evictions, all of which are expensive personal and financial tragedies. Costs getting someone back into a home after an eviction are substantial and can amount to between \$13,000 and \$40,000 per year according to research done by the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Work Site address is: 5950 4th Ave S

15-30 Volunteers, Ages 21 & older. We are specifically targeting Young Adults to participate in this service. Volunteers will assist in sorting incoming clothing donations. Pizza lunch to follow!

Saturday April 23rd 10:00am to 1:00pm Friends of Interlaken (Boren Park) Seattle Parks & Rec

Our Mission: Seattle Parks and Recreation will work with all citizens to be good stewards of our environment, and to provide safe and welcoming opportunities to play, learn, contemplate, and build community.

Meet at 19th Ave E & E Galer #12 bus stop Metro comfort station (open for event).

http://www.seattle.gov/parks/park_detail.asp?id=3023 206-446-1679

10-40 Volunteers

All Ages Welcome (6 and older preferred) All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Native plant Habitat restoration. Landscaping, weeding, removing invasive species like ivy and laurel. Work Clothes: long sleeve- shirts/pants layered rain gear, light hiking/work boots, Garden gloves. Volunteers may bring tools of their own that work best for them especially small hand clippers

Friday April 22nd 9:30am – 12:30pm St. Francis House

St. Francis House is established in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi to be a presence in Seattle to serve those in need and to inspire simplicity and charity in its volunteers and those they serve.

Since 1967, the volunteers, staff and donors of St. Francis House have served many of these poor and needy by following the example of St. Francis as expressed in his prayer. Today we serve hundreds of people each week, Monday through Friday. No one is turned away. Everything that is donated to us is given away, free of charge, no questions asked. We are the ultimate recycling center. All of the food is donated – some of it by area hospitals and the rest by individual volunteers, school children, and families who prepare homemade sandwiches and sack lunches. Orders are then filled for those people who need clothing, hygiene kits, bedding, household items, furniture, food or other items given by St. Francis House donors.

169 12th Ave 98122 206-621-0945 http://www.stfrancishouseseattle.org/

4-8 Volunteers All Ages Welcome. Spring cleaning, yard work, gardening, pour coffee hand out sandwiches, work in clothing room. Bring work gloves

Friday April 22nd 9:00am – 1:00pm Jubilee Women's Center

Providing safe, affordable and supportive community housing and services for women since 1983 Jubilee serves nearly 1,500 low-income women in the community with classes on technology, life skills and job readiness, community referrals, an open computer lab and free clothing boutique.

620 18th Ave E Seattle, WA 98112 206-324-1244 http://jwcenter.org

Some volunteers will be doing yardwork, some helping to clean and organize our storage section. Spring cleaning in the yard--cutting grass, weeding, preparing garden beds

6-10 volunteers needed Ages 21 and older

Dress comfortably and be prepared for the weather. Water and snacks provided. Bringing gardening gloves and tools (brooms, trowels, shovels etc optional but encouraged.)

Saturday April 23rd 1:00pm – 5:00pm Recovery Café

Recovery Café and its School for Recovery serve men and women who have suffered trauma, homelessness, addiction and/or other mental health challenges. In this loving community, men and women experience belonging, healing and the joy of contributing. The Café and School for Recovery helps participants develop tools for maintaining recovery and stabilizing in mental/physical health, housing, relationships and employment/volunteer service.

2022 Boren Ave Seattle, WA 98121 206-374-8731 http://www.recoverycafe.org/

8-10 volunteers... children of all ages welcomes if accompanied by an adult

Volunteers will be given a brief orientation including video and story-telling. Volunteers will then help get a mailing out by stamping and labeling postcards. Afterwards volunteers will provide ministry of presence to café members over coffee or playing a game. Volunteers should dress comfortably and casually. Snacks provided!

We are St. Joseph Service Days Sign up after Mass next weekend.

Next week look for sign up information on our website www.stjosephparish.org



Christ is Risen!

This, therefore, is the proclamation that the Church repeats from the first day: "Christ is risen!". And, in Him, through Baptism, we too are risen, we have passed from death to life, from the slavery of sin to the freedom of love. Behold the Good News that we are called to take to others and to every place, inspired by the Holy Spirit. Faith in the Resurrection of Jesus and the hope that He brought us is the most beautiful gift that the Christian can and must give to his brothers. To all and to each, therefore, let us not tire of saying: Christ is risen! Let us repeat it all together, today here in the Square: Christ is risen! Let us repeat it with words, but above all with the witness of our lives. The happy news of the Resurrection should shine on our faces, in our feelings and attitudes, in the way we treat others.

We proclaim the Resurrection of Christ when his light illuminates the dark moments of our life and we can share that with others: when we know how to smile with those who smile and weep with those who weep; when we walk beside those who are sad and in danger of losing hope; when we recount our experience of faith with those who are searching for meaning and for happiness. With our attitude, with our witness, with our life, we say: Jesus is risen! Let us say it with all our soul.



~Pope Francis