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THE ASCENSION OF JESUS

"Why are you standing looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return."

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION
MAY 8, 2016

Homily Next Week:
Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

Readings for May 15, 2016

FIRST READING: ACTS 2:1-11

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:8-17

GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-23

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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Saturday - 9 am - 1 pm

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**The Joy of Love (*Amoris Laetitia*):
A Reading of the Apostolic Exhortation
of Pope Francis**

Part 2-Chapter Two: The Experiences and Challenges of Families

I thank God that many families, which are far from considering themselves perfect, live in love, fulfill their calling, and keep moving forward, even if they fall many times along the way. . . There is no stereotype of the ideal family, but rather a challenging mosaic made up of many different realities with all their joys, hopes, and problems.

-Pope Francis-

I was only about 18 months old when my sister, Elizabeth, was diagnosed with diabetes. She was four years old and recovering from a bad flu when her pediatrician, Dr. Atherton, in a moment of grace that transformed our family, smelled the tell-tale acetone on her breath and began the treatments that would last for the rest of her life. In the years that followed, amid dozens of rushed trips to the hospital and long evenings in the emergency room, my sister's illness would become a focal point of our family: always on the frontier of my mother's consciousness and in the quiet anguish of my father's heart. Though I don't know if they confessed it to each other, both my parents felt some sense of responsibility for my sister's sickness. Unable to accept that such an event could be merely random, and even less able to understand it as coming from God, they blamed themselves for bad genes. This guilt and sorrow, remote but real, cast a shadow on each of them and brought unexpected stress into their marriage. Though both loved my sister unwaveringly, sometimes the anguish of her suffering challenged them, adding even more weight to the "ordinary" stress associated with raising five children. Yet, somehow—through the sacrifices each was willing to make for the other, and through the strength that came to them through their faith—they found their way, not to a perfect family nor to a perfect marriage, but to one alive, hopeful, and filled with love.

In every era, there have existed challenges which imperil the unity and fruitfulness implicit in the covenant of family life. Whether poverty or illness, the pressure of war or the separation caused by work, families have needed resilience and courage to survive. Yet, for most of history, structures have existed that supported family life and assisted couples to live in the commitment of marriage. Today, however, as Pope Francis notes in chapter two of *Amoris Laetitia*, new and previously unimagined challenges have arisen in our culture, challenges which weaken traditional supports and bring new difficulties to family life; challenges which, furthermore, often come from the distortion of otherwise beneficial advancements. Thus, while greater equality between the partners in marriage has led to better communication and a diminishment of abusive patriarchy, there has also been a concomitant growth in extreme forms of individualism, which can reduce the marriage covenant to a contractual arrangement meant for personal fulfillment. Similarly, while freedom of choice, so important in contemporary culture, benefits humanity when it allows us "to plan our lives and make the most

of ourselves. Yet if this freedom lacks noble goals or personal discipline, it degenerates into an inability to give oneself generously to others" (§ 33). Indeed, Francis warns that, through the distortion of otherwise beneficial aspects of modern life, we risk becoming victims of the *"culture of the ephemeral"* (§ 39), where everything is disposable, everything a matter of cost-benefit analysis—even our inherent need for human relationships. In such a culture, the fundamental human need for loving communion with another person is undermined by a media-encouraged narcissism that *"makes people incapable of looking beyond themselves, beyond their own desires and needs"* (§ 39). Demonstrating an awareness that betrays long pastoral experience among ordinary women and men, Francis identifies the great challenge for marriage in many parts of the modern world: *"The fear of loneliness and the desire for stability and fidelity exist side by side with a growing fear of entrapment in a relationship that could hamper the achievement of one's personal goals"* (§ 34).

Even as he identifies new challenges facing marriage, Francis goes on to note how ineffective—and, at times, counterproductive—have been the responses offered by both the Church and civil society. Pointing towards the Church, Francis rejects the *"far too abstract and almost artificial theological ideal of marriage"* (§ 36), in which the unitive meaning of marriage—i.e., *"its call to grow in love and its ideal of mutual assistance"* (§ 36)—is almost wholly subsumed under the procreative dimension of the Sacrament. Likewise, the Church responds insufficiently to the narcism of popular culture by merely condemning and rejecting its advances. Rather than portraying marriage as a duty and a burden, the Church should encourage the Sacrament as a *"dynamic path to personal development and fulfillment"* (§ 37). Instead, those considering marriage or faithfully trying to navigate its challenges too often find in the Church's teachings only harsh dogma, lacking the humility needed for true accompaniment. With his consistent faith in the wisdom of the People of God, Francis challenges the institutional Church to listen with respect and humility to the discernment of the faithful; and with a line that has resounded throughout the Church, the Pope affirms anew the ancient (though often forgotten) teaching on the primacy of conscience, reminding clergy and teachers at all levels: *"We have been called to form consciences, not to replace them"* (§ 37).

Yet, if the institutional Church has been too idealistic in its understanding of marriage and too dour and condemnatory in its approach, Francis does not, for all that, simply accept the vision of popular culture. Indeed, for him, the graces people find in the Church through the Sacraments and the guidance of good ministers can stand in sharp contrast to the reductionism and dehumanization often found in contemporary society. Besieged by the same consumerist mentality denounced in *Laudato Si'*, people come to fear permanent commitment, treat-

ing all relationships *"the way we treat material objects and the environment: everything is disposable; everyone uses and throws away, takes and breaks, exploits and squeezes to the last drop. Then, goodbye"* (§ 39). Independence, rather than true freedom, becomes an ideal, which leads to a loss of the sacred and permanent vision of marriage, and the reduction of this sacred union to a mere contract for services.

Emerging from this same consumerist mentality, where all human relationships are subsumed beneath the umbrella of an overbearing economic system, are many forms of oppression and violence that threaten family life—perhaps the most extreme of which is the explosion in human trafficking and pornography, where persons become mere objects of trade and personal gratification to be used and discarded. Yet, other problems, less clear but more pernicious, also emerge from the economic and social structures of our society. For example, recalling an issue mentioned in *Laudato Si'*, Francis notes how income inequality encourages both the severely disadvantaged and the highly privileged to avoid marriage: the first because they sense no options, the second because their options are too numerous to choose. Likewise, economic insecurity, lack of housing, insufficient support for children, the uncertainty of work all combine to create *"a general feeling of powerlessness in the face of socio-economic realities that often times end up crushing families"* (§ 43). Further, these economic factors, and related civil actions around war, migration, and even state intrusion into family planning, produce pressures unmet by the idealized teachings of the Church or the *laissez faire* (or even hostile) structures of many modern societies. For Francis, helping families, *"that natural society founded on marriage"* (§ 52), requires addressing both the particular problems that families face in the modern world—e.g., drugs, violence, etc.—and reforming the social and economic systems, so that they work for the good of families. In this context, the Church must, first of all, accompany families: *"In such difficult situations of need, the Church must be particularly concerned to offer understanding, comfort, and acceptance, rather than imposing straightaway a set of rules that only lead people to feel judged and abandoned by the very Mother called to show them God's mercy"* (§ 49).

Though rich with many other issues—e.g., the grace of people with disabilities, the sin of marital violence, the mixed blessing and challenge provided by various forms of feminism and gender studies—this chapter seeks, ultimately, to demonstrate that the diverse and widespread challenges to family life are being faced today by people of goodwill living with love and hope—just as such challenges have always been faced. At such a moment, the Church is called not to stand aside in judgment, but to stand with those who struggle, offering always the love and humility, tenderness and mercy of Jesus Christ.



SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION

Prelude

Instrumental

(5:30) A Song of Hope

Foley

Entrance Songs

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Hyfrydol

1. Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! His the
2. Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans Are we
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of An - gels, Here on
4. Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, You the

scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia!
left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia!
earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia!
Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia!

his the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone;
he is near us, Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how:
here the sin - ful Flee to you from day to day:
born of Mar - y, Earth your foot - stool, heav'n your throne:

Hark! the songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him, When the
In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, Earth's re -
You, with - in the veil, have en - tered, Robed in

like a might - y flood; Je - sus out of
for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -
deem - er, plead for me, Where the songs of
flesh, our great high priest; Here on earth both

ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by his blood.
get his pro - mise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
priest and vic - tim In the Eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

(5:30) Be Not Afraid

Dufford

1. You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst. You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in foreign lands and all will understand. You shall see the face of God and live.

Refrain:

Be not afraid. I go before you always. Come, follow me, and I will give you rest.

2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown. If you walk amid the burning flames, you shall not be harmed. If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side, know that I am with you through it all. *Ref.*

3. Blessed are your poor, for the kingdom shall be theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn, for one day you shall laugh. And if wicked tongues insult and hate you all because of me, blessed, blessed are you. *Ref.*

Sprinkling

Storrington Gloria

Haugen

See laminated card in pews

(5:30) Gloria III

Taize



First Reading

Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 47

Murray/Gelineau



Second Reading

Ephesians 1:17-23

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great

might: which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

Gospel Acclamation

Festival Alleluia

Mozart/Trapp



(5:30) Easter Alleluia



Gospel

Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God.

Reflection

Jennifer Kelly



Prayers of the Faithful

Lector: Lord, In your mercy...

Assembly Response: Hear our prayer.



1. O Christ, what can it mean for us To
 2. You came, the im - age of our God, To
 3. Though some would make their great - ness felt And
 4. You chose a hum - ble hu - man form And



claim you as our king? What roy - al face have
 heal and to for - give, To shed your blood for
 lord it o - ver all, You said the first must
 shunned the world's re - nown; You died for us up -



you re - vealed Whose praise the Church would sing? As -
 sin - ners' sake That we might rise and live. To
 be the last And serv - ice be our call. O
 on a cross With thorns your on - ly crown. But



pir - ing not to glo - ry's height, To
 break the law of death you came, The
 Christ, in work - place, church, and home Let
 still, be - yond the span of years, Our



pow - er, wealth, and fame, You walked a dif - f'rent,
 law of love to bring: A dif - f'rent rule of
 none to pow - er cling; For still, through us, you
 glad ho - san - nas ring, For now at God's right



low - ly way, An - oth - er's will your aim.
 right - eous - ness, A dif - f'rent kind of king.
 come to serve, A dif - f'rent kind of king.
 hand you reign, A dif - f'rent kind of king!

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 Songs

Eye Has Not Seen, #638

Haugen

Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has read-y for
those who love him; Spir-it of love, come, give us the mind of
Je - sus, teach us the wis - dom of God.

I Have Loved You, #504

Joncas

I have loved you with an ev - er - last - ing love, I have
called you and you are mine; I have loved you with an
ev - er - last - ing love, I have called you and you are mine.

Verses

1. Seek the face of the Lord and long for
2. Seek the face of the Lord and long for
3. Seek the face of the Lord and long for
him: He will bring you his light and his peace.
him: He will bring you his joy and his hope.
him: He will bring you his care and his love.

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.

Recessional

(5, 11 & 5:30) Instrumental

(9) Hallelujah, We Sing Your Praises

South African

Hal - le - lu - ya! We sing your prais-es, all our hearts are filled with glad -
ness. Hal-le - lu-ya! We sing your prais-es, all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.

1. Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread, I am
2. Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt, strong in
wine, I am bread, give to all who thirst and hun - ger.
faith, free of doubt, to pro - claim the joy - ful Gos - pel.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH



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

Tuesday

7:00 AM Daily Mass

Wednesday

7:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 AM Yoga - Body in Prayer
1:00-9:00 PM Parish Directory Photo Appointments
6:00 PM Pathfinders Youth Group
7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

Thursday

7:00 AM Daily Mass
1:00-9:00 PM Parish Directory Photo Appointments

Friday

7:00 AM Daily Mass
11:30 AM Anointing Mass/Senior Luncheon
1:00-9:00 PM Parish Directory Photo Appointments

Saturday

10 AM-5 PM Parish Directory Photo Appointments
3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation
5:00 PM Vigil Mass



PARISH LIFE

Seniors On The Go

Tuesday, May 10th - Seniors Ministry Planning meeting at 11:30am. Please join us, bring a brown bag lunch! There will be a 1pm Movie Matinee showing of "Spotlight" following the meeting in the Parish Center. Come for one or both, and feel free to bring a snack to share.

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

Thursday, May 19th - 12 noon Lunch and Cabaret Show with Sigrid Endresen and accompanist Will Gerhardt.

Connecting with St. Joseph - WELCOME!

New? Visiting? Interested? Are you visiting for the first time? Interested in knowing more about the ministries and activities at St. Joseph Parish? Please join our weekly e-news blast at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Sign up for our eNewsletter" link in the upper right corner of the homepage. Thank you!

Register! Are you a Catholic attending Mass at St. Joseph Parish, yet haven't officially registered? Join us!

Why register? St. Joseph Church is a vibrant parish offering many avenues for ministry, connecting with other parishioners and spiritual development. We'd love to get to know you, connect with you, and inform you of our various activities, groups and events going on at the church. Please pick up a registration form in the back of the church or go online to register at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Join Our Parish" link. We look forward to connecting with you. Thank you!

Estate Planning: A Legacy of Love

St. Joseph Parish, St. Joseph School & the Endowment for St. Joseph School cordially Invite you to Lunch

Thursday, May 26, 2016, Noon - 1:30 pm, Arrupe Rm.

During this complimentary lunch you will learn about:

Estate planning and why it is important, Estate planning tools, Wills & Trusts. You are welcome (and encouraged) to bring guests and advisors. Seating is limited. Please RSVP to stewardship@stjosephparish.org or advancement@stjosephsea.org, or 206.324.2522.

Young Adult (21-35) Ministry Softball

Summer is just around the corner, and you know what that means...softball season is here! We are looking for players of all skill abilities, as well as fans! Games will be on either Mondays or Thursdays from June 6 - August 4. The cost will be about \$37 for an 8-game season, the final tournament, and more fun than you can imagine! Register at: <https://www.stjosephparish.org/267/9366/2016-softball-sign-ups.html>

Questions? Email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

Night At The Mariners!

Friday June 10th vs. Texas Rangers 7:05pm
Pre-function gathering TBD.
Fireworks show after the game
Tickets are only \$12.00

To purchase tickets online go to:
<https://www.stjosephparish.org/267/9365/young-adult-night-at-the-mariners-2016.html>
Deadline is Thursday May 26th.

For more information email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org, or contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646.



Stump the Priest..with Fr. John!

On Sunday, May 15th please join us for our monthly social immediately following 5:30pm Mass in the Parish Center. Beverages and snacks will be provided. This is a great way to meet other young adults! At this month's social, Fr. John will answer your questions on the Church's teaching on sexuality in light of Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation on The Joy of Love 'Amoris Laetitia.'

Also please join our Young Adult Brunch Group following the 11am Mass at St. Joseph. Enjoy fellowship and brunch on the following dates: May 8th and June 5th. Contact Amara at siemens.am@gmail.com or Becca at beccagud@yahoo.com to RSVP.



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Prayer Tree



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions:

Happy and blessed Mother's day to each of you in our St. Joseph community . . . Prayer requests from mothers: For my three adult sons whose health issues are precarious . . . For my grandson who graduated from college as I am his family since his parents died when he was 8 years old . . . For Rose, a beloved daughter, who has been diagnosed with cancer . . . For Jim who had a stroke and is at a local Seattle hospital . . . For our children to grow in the Lord with strength and wisdom and love . . . For John and Steven whose mother died suddenly . . . Thanksgiving for being a mother to "my not so perfect" kids from their "not so perfect" mother but we share our tears and laughter and know there is love.

*"The law of love is written once and for all in the heart of man,
Written with the fire of the Holy Spirit."*

~Pope Francis

Sacred Silence

*A time for silent prayer and peace.
Join us this Lent!*

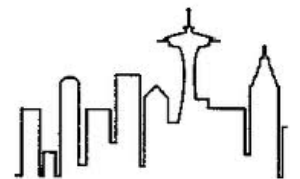


The Sacred Silence prayer group gathers on Monday nights at 7 pm in the Church for an hour of silent prayer. Next gathering is **Monday, May 9**. Newcomers always welcome. Open

to all types of prayer practice. People are encouraged to use whatever silent prayer practice works best for them whether it is centering prayer, Ignatian imagination or another prayer. Time is spent both sitting and walking in silence.

For information on Sacred Silence and silent prayer contact Jim Hoover at sacredsilence@stjosephparish.org or 206-286-0313.

OUR LOCAL CHURCH



A Summer Day of Reflection

Gathering the Fragments: A Mid-Year Examen
Saturday, June 4th- 9am-3pm - Parish Center

Join us for a quiet guided personal retreat to look back on the first half of the year and look forward to the rest of the year in the light of God's perspective. Facilitator Mary Hartrich (Executive Director of the Ignatian Spirituality Center) will help you "gather up the fragments" of your life by leading you through four movements of an Examen, each movement followed by abundant time for prayer, reflection and journaling. **Early registration fee - \$45 (through Friday, May 27).** Final week registration fee- \$55 (May 28-June 4). Light breakfast, lunch and materials are included. Partial work scholarships are available. **FOR MORE INFO/TO REGISTER:** visit www.ignatiancenter.org, or contact Theresa at (206) 329-4824 or theresa@ignatiancenter.org

Presentation Panel on Opioid and Opiate Addiction

St. James Cathedral Mental Health & Wellness Ministry is sponsoring an event on opioid and opiate misuse on **Sunday, May 15th** from 1:30-3:30pm in the Isaac Orr Conference Center at 910 Marion St. across from the Cathedral.

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. So many of us have been impacted by friends and family who experience addiction, and the statistics for accidental deaths have increased to an alarming rate. Keynote speaker Melissa Weiksnar lost a daughter to an accidental overdose. Read her article in *Crux* at <http://www.cruxnow.com/life/2015/11/13/losing-amy-a-call-to-action/>

For more information contact Nancy Granger at ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org or call 206-382-4269.



THE YEAR OF MERCY: VISIT THOSE IN PRISON

PRISON EDUCATION AND RENTRY SOLUTIONS

A CONVERSATION

ST. JOSEPH PARISH CENTER ARRUPE ROOM

MAY 12, 2016 | 7-9 PM

732 18th Ave. East, Seattle, WA 98112



Join us for a panel discussion about the issues surrounding incarceration in Washington State and around the nation. The panel will consist of community activists, educators, and formerly-incarcerated students who are involved with prison education and re-entry programs. Come hear about innovative programs and opportunities, and find out how you can get involved!

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Featured Presenters:

- **MARY WEIR**
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Project Puget Sound
- **ARI COHN**
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"All of us are part of that effort, all of us are invited to encourage, help and enable your rehabilitation. A rehabilitation which everyone seeks and desires: inmates and their families, correctional authorities, social and educational programs. A rehabilitation which benefits and elevates the morale of the entire community and society." ~ Pope Francis, Address to Detainees at Curran-Fromhold Correctional Facility, Pennsylvania

St. Joseph Parish Weekend Men's Retreat

The Road to Mercy:

Honesty, Humility, Surrender, and Service

Join us for a weekend of prayer, reflection, relaxation, and fellowship.
Leadership team includes: John Briggs, Rob Carroll, Dick Ellis, Christopher Grimm,
Fr. Bob Grimm, S.J., Brady McGarry, Andy Perez, and Steve Wodzanowski

Friday, June 3, 8:00 pm - Sunday, June 5, 11:00 am

Dumas Bay Centre

3200 SW Dash Point Road, Federal Way, WA 98023

\$170 registration includes lodging and meals
(Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner - Sunday breakfast)
Partial scholarships are available.

We need a minimum of 20 men to go and a maximum of 35 participants.

Sign up is on a first come, first pay basis.

Accommodations are simple and rustic! Please bring a sleeping bag or bedding.

All participants must be 21 or older.

For more information or to register, please contact:
Dn Steve Wodzanowski | stevew@stjosephparish.org | (206) 965-1646



*Register Online
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Questions?
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A Prayer for Mothers' Day

*May blessings come to all
who follow the way of the Mother of God:
to mothers and grandmothers,
step-mothers and god-mothers;
mothers of the heart and mothers of the flesh.
All mothers born of that most gracious 'Yes!'*

*May each mother find the joy of her calling:
giving life through the gift of her body,
treasuring the world in her heart,
suckling redemption at her breast.*

*May every mother become as Mary is:
Bearer of Grace, Seat of Wisdom,
Temple of Christ, Source of Love & Mercy.*

*And may their sons and daughters
rise to praise them, crowning them with love,
forever and ever. Amen.*