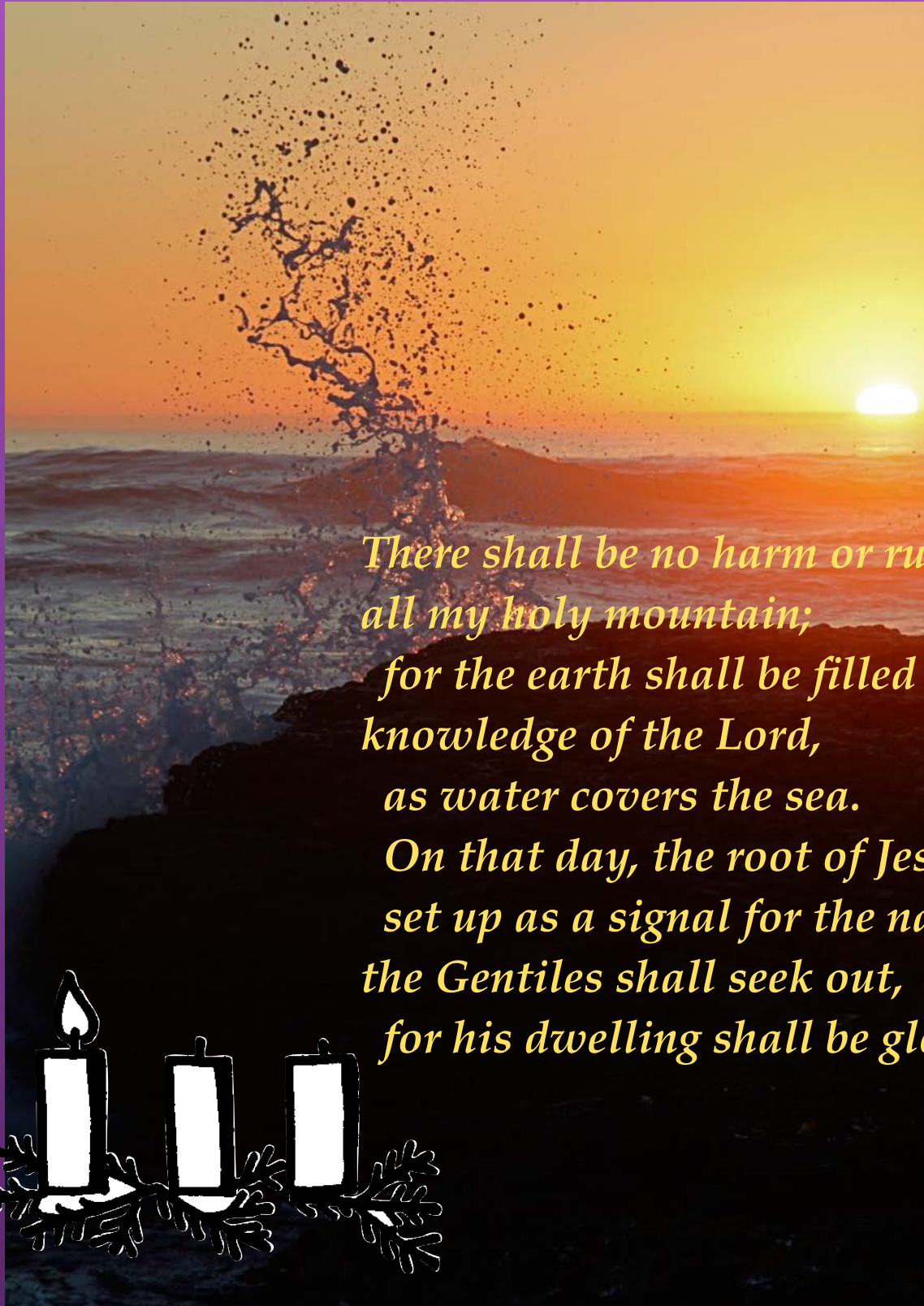


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*There shall be no harm or ruin on
all my holy mountain;
for the earth shall be filled with
knowledge of the Lord,
as water covers the sea.
On that day, the root of Jesse,
set up as a signal for the nations,
the Gentiles shall seek out,
for his dwelling shall be glorious.*



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 4, 2016

Preaching This Week: Fr. Bob Grimm, S.J.

Preaching Next Week: Fr. Julian Climaco, S.J.

Readings for December 11, 2016

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 35:1-6A, 10

SECOND READING: JAMES 5:7-10

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 11:2-11

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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Two Revolutionaries

The fools for Christ are not only the martyrs or the stylites, but also—and this is St. Ignatius' originality—those crucified in daily life, in the tasks and sufferings of every day, who unobtrusively radiate the love of Christ through their words, their actions, their silences, their humdrum yes and no.

-Fr. Peter-Hans Kolvenbach, S.J.-



On November 26—the last day of the Church year—two old men, revolutionaries living on opposite sides of the planet; old men who had once been important figures in the world, passed into history. One was Fidel Castro: a lawyer formed in the elite Jesuit schools of Cuba, who mesmerized the people of his small and exploited country through his oratory and bold guerrilla leadership. A man who built hospitals and social services among the poor, even sending doctors and nurses to Africa and Haiti, to care for people ignored by wealthier nations. Yet, at the same time, a man who tied his country to the oppressive Marxism of the Soviet Union, who supported violence and risked nuclear war, who held his own ideology as indisputable, imprisoning or killing his opponents while driving tens-of-thousands of his own people into exile. A man who held onto power and to his own sense of infallibility, even as the world changed around him, and the people he sought to lead fell farther and farther behind. Castro died, even as the revolution he personified seemed to waver, and now he—more than the goals of the revolution—is remembered in headlines and on news shows, discussed on the internet and in presidential addresses, mourned in Havana and vilified on the streets of Miami.

The other man who died that day, Fr. Peter-Hans Kolvenbach, was also a revolutionary, but of a very different sort. Born in the Netherlands on 30 November 1928 of a Dutch father and Italian mother, his early years were shaped by the violence of World War II—by the German occupation of his homeland and by the bitter fighting that came with the Allied advance. During secondary school, while gathering books for those imprisoned by the Nazis, he found a small booklet that contained Ignatius' *First Principle and Foundation*. Although his novice master would later tell him

he had not understood it correctly, for Kolvenbach “*the vision of Ignatius came like a light. . .it brought me to enter the Society.*” Unlike the effects of Marxism upon Castro, the effects of Ignatius did not turn Kolvenbach into a political activist or ideologue, but instead drove him more deeply into his studies and awoke in him the desire to surrender his own ego for the service of Christ. And while Castro was working to enhance his political position through an alliance with the Soviets, Kolvenbach was seeking to surrender his will to the will of Jesus, found in the discernment of his superiors. Thus, he asked first to go to Khrushchev’s Russia—a request that went unanswered—and then to occupied East Germany, where a car accident had recently killed all that country’s novices. But in the end, he was sent instead to Beirut, Lebanon, where, in 1958, he landed in the midst of a war of liberation. There he stayed until 1981, working as a priest among the people of the Near East, teaching in the Jesuit college, and studying linguistics and the various languages he encountered (he would come to speak or write fluently more than 25 languages).

In the diverse and often contentious world of the Near East, Kolvenbach’s status as an outsider allowed him to engage with people of many communities. Humble but insightful, open but determined, he became known for his intellectual skills and his appreciation of the many faith traditions present in Beirut. He engaged in dialogue with Muslims and Jews, and navigated the various Christian groups present in this region—both Uniate Christians (i.e., those in communion with the Roman Church) and Orthodox, who had a painful history of mutual persecution. He also immersed himself in Armenian language and literature—which, he would later note, most closely resembles the original or “*Ur-language*” from which most Western languages evolved. In 1961, he was ordained a priest in the Armenian Rite, deepening his connection to the people and their culture. Though he had no ambition beyond being part of the reconciling face of Christ in this troubled area, Kolvenbach’s gifts were clear, and he was called to Rome in 1981 to become Rector of the Pontifical Oriental Institute, which studies the religions and cultures of the Near East.

The early 1980’s, however, were challenging for the Jesuits in Rome. The charismatic and passionate Superior General, Fr. Pedro Arrupe, who had overseen the Society’s reformation following Vatican II, suffered a debilitating stroke in August of 1983, shortly after Kolvenbach’s arrival. Severely disabled, Arrupe sought to resign his office, appoint a Vicar General, and call a General Congregation; but, at the moment the tensions and divisions aroused by the reforms of the previous years came to the fore. Pope John Paul II, convinced by a number of sources that the Society was near revolt, intervened in the governance of the Society, appointing his own del-

egate, Fr. Paolo Dezza, and an assistant, Fr. Joseph Pittau, to oversee the Order. Though the intervention lasted only two years, and though the Pope came to see that the Jesuits were not quite as close to dissolution as he had been told, it was a chastened and wounded Society who gathered at General Congregation 33, looking to elect a new Superior General and then return home. In the days of the “*murmuratio*”—i.e., the period of discernment and conversation preceding the election—the Congregation concluded that the quiet and diplomatic Dutch delegate from the Near East Province was the man the Society needed to follow the charismatic Arrupe. Kolvenbach was elected on the first ballot.

In the 25 years that followed his election, Kolvenbach assiduously avoided the spotlight. Where Arrupe seemed comfortable with cameras, his open and smiling face drawing people in, Kolvenbach submitted reluctantly to any photograph and seemed a more ascetic and removed figure. Yet, quietly and constantly, he worked the vision of Fr. Arrupe into the soil of the Society of Jesus, deepening it, step-by-step, until it became the very foundation by which the Jesuits—and, under Kolvenbach, their lay partners—serve the Church in the world. Dressed almost always in the tattered black soutane of a somewhat old fashioned priest, Kolvenbach called Jesuits to a deeper appropriation of Ignatius’ *Spiritual Exercises*—emphasizing especially the call to apostolic humility. In his writings, and by his example, Kolvenbach encouraged Jesuit and lay partners to a more engaged, compassionate intellectual life; to accompaniment with all the forgotten of the world; and to a deeper sense of themselves as part of the ecclesial life of the Church.

Kolvenbach quickly became one of the most significant persons in the Church—with ready access to the Pope and a close friendship with Cardinals and bishops around the world—yet, he never elevated himself above the mission he had been given, never put himself forward or assumed a posture of importance. He refused personal awards and accolades—e.g., he would not accept honorary degrees when he spoke at universities and colleges—and turned aside all personal compliments with a gentle smile and a bit of humor. Once, when told how much his book of articles, *The Road From La Storta*, meant to the spiritual life of a young provincial, Kolvenbach looked away and said, with a smile, “*I never really liked the cover they put on that book.*” Likewise, his own theological ideas were of less importance to him than his mission to deepen the Jesuits’ service to the Church. Thus, he could both call Jesuits to greater service of the institutional Church, while defending those accused of unorthodox ideas—asserting that their “*creative fidelity*”

Two Revolutionaries cont.
(see below **This Week at St. Joseph**)

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Introit (9)

Prepare the Way of The Lord

Taize

Pre - pare the way of the Lord. Pre-prepare the way of the Lord, and
all peo-ple will see the sal - va - tion of our God. Pre

Call To Worship

Please stand at the tolling of the bell.

Entrance Songs

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,
3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,
4. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem,

And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
Who or - der all things might i - ly;
Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height
From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them

That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
To us the path of knowl - edge show,
In an - cient times once gave the Law
That trust your might - y power to save,

Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
And teach us in her ways to go.
In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el
Gau - de! Gau - de! Em - man - u - el

Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.
Na - sce - tur pro te Is - ra - el.

Blessing The Advent Wreath



Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

Strike breast during next line.

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault.
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Kryie

Cantor:	All:
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.	Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
Cantor:	All:
Chris - te e - le - i - son.	Chris - te e - le - i - son.
Cantor:	All:
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First Reading

Isaiah 11:1-10

On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD, and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD. Not by appearance shall he judge, nor by hearsay shall he decide, but he shall judge the poor with justice, and decide aright for the land's afflicted. He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked. Justice shall be the band around his waist, and faithfulness a belt upon his hips. Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them. The cow and the bear shall be neighbors, together their young shall rest; the lion shall eat hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the cobra's den, and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair. There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72

Guimont

Jus - tice shall flour-ish in his time, and full - ness of peace for ev - er.

Second Reading

Romans 15:4-9

Brothers and sisters: Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises to the patriarchs, but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written: Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles and sing praises to your name.

Gospel Acclamations

Alleluia (5 & 11)

Murray



Advent Alleluia (9)

Joncas



Gospel

Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: *A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.*

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins.

When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

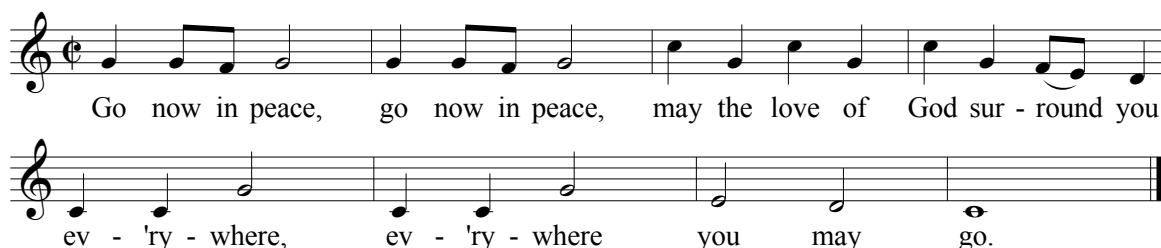
Homily

Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

Dismissal of the Catechumens & Candidates

Go Now In Peace

Sleeth



Offertory Song

Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming

Praetorius

1. Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom-ing From ten - der stem hath
2. I - sa - iah 'twas for - told it, The Rose I have in
3. O Flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der With sweet-ness fills the
sprung! Of Jes - se's lin - age com - ing, As seers of old have
mind; With Mar - y we be - hold it, The Vir - gin Moth - er
air, Dis - pel in glo - rious splen - dor The dark - ness ev - 'ry -
sung. It came, a blos - som bright, A - mid the cold of
kind. To show God's love a - right, She bore to us a
where. True man, yet ver - y God, From sin and death now
win - ter, When half spent was the night.
Sav - ior, When half spent was the night.
save us, And share our ev - 'ry load.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Plainchant

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.
Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Mystery of Faith

Plainchant

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-claim your Death, O Lord,
un - til you come a - gain.

Great Amen

Plainchant

A - men.

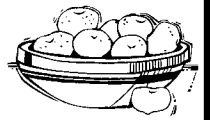


A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - ca - ta mun - di: mi - se - re - re no - bis. A - gnus De - i,
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All Are Invited To Come Forward

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 A GLUTEN FREE HOST, PLEASE COME TO THE PRESIDER & INDICATE THIS.



Communion Songs (9) Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

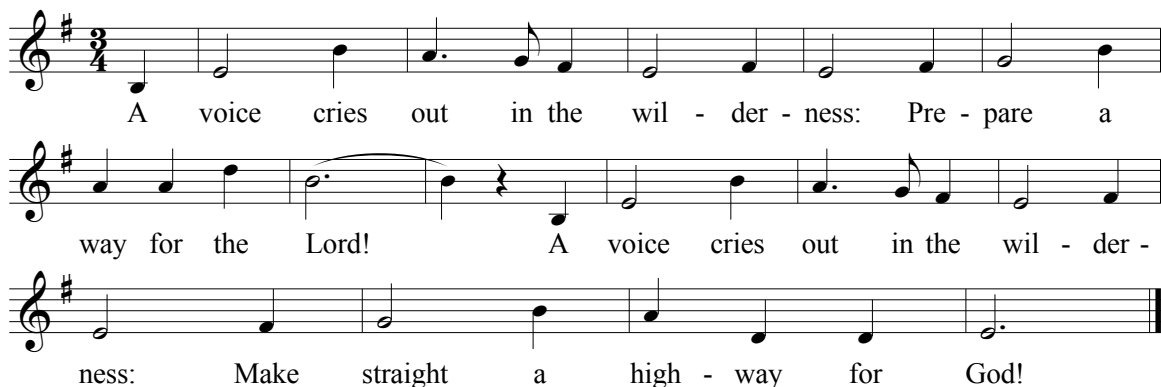
JEFFERSON

Come, Thou long expected Jesus Born to set Thy people free;
 From our fears and sins release us, Let us find our rest in Thee.
 Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art;
 Dear desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver, Born a child and yet a King,
 Born to reign in us forever, Now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
 By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone;
 By Thine all sufficient merit, Raise us to Thy glorious throne.

A Voice Cries Out in the Wilderness

Joncas



A voice cries out in the wil - der - ness: Pre - pare a
 way for the Lord! A voice cries out in the wil - der -
 ness: Make straight a high - way for God!

Song of Praise

(5 & 11) On Jordan's Bank



1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - noun - ces that the
2. Then cleansed be ev - ery heart from sin; Make straight the way of
3. For you are our sal - va - tion, Lord, Our ref - uge, and our
4. All praise the Son e - ter - nal - ly, Whose ad - vent sets his



Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - en, for he brings Glad
God with - in, And let each heart pre - pare a home Where
great re - ward; With - out your grace we waste a - way Like
peo - ple free; Whom with the Fa - ther we a - dore And



tid - ings of the King of kings.
such a might - y guest may come.
flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
Spir - it blest for ev - er - more.

(9) People Look East

Farjeon/BESANCON



1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near Of the
2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare. One more
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, Guard the
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim One more
5. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth Him who



crown - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are
seed is plant - ed there: Give up your strength the seed to
nest that must be filled. E - ven the hour when wings are
light the bowl shall brim, Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y
brings new life to earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley



a - ble, Trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. Peo - ple look
nour - ish, That in course the flow'r may flour - ish. Peo - ple look
fro - zen He for fledg - ing time has cho - sen. Peo - ple look
weath - er, Bright as sun and moon to - geth - er. Peo - ple look
hum - ming With the word, the Lord is com - ing. Peo - ple look



East and sing to - day: Love the Guest is on the way.
East and sing to - day: Love the Rose is on the way.
East and sing to - day: Love the Bird is on the way.
East and sing to - day: Love the Star is on the way.
East and sing to - day: Love the Lord is on the way.

Postlude & Recessional

Tolling of the Bell



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 Mass
 1:00 PM Blood Drive
 7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer
 7:00 PM Holy Rosary Group
 7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Tuesday

7:00 AM Mass
 10:00 AM Seniors Outing to Molbak's
 7:00 PM RCIA
 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry
 7:00 PM Tuesday Yoga

Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass
 6:00 PM Pathfinders
 7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass
 7:00 PM Immaculate Conception Mass

Friday

7:00 AM Mass

Saturday

8:00 AM Centering Prayer Group
 12:00 PM Parish Advent Reconciliation Service
 5:00 PM Vigil Mass
 8:00 PM Choral Arts Concert

Two Revolutionaries (Fr. John's column Cont.)

was part of the service Jesuits gave to the Church. But in all this, Kolvenbach never imagined himself or his ideas as essential. Speaking once about the Suppression of the Society of Jesus (1773-1814), Kolvenbach noted, *"We Jesuits, more than others, should know that we are not essential to the Church. After all, we have been suppressed before and could be again. We will remain as long as the Holy Spirit can make use of us, and then the Church will go on."*

What Kolvenbach saw in the Society, he saw even more clearly in himself. Nearing his 80th birthday, with the permission of Pope Benedict XVI, Fr. Kolvenbach asked the delegates of General Congregation 35 for permission to resign his office, a permission the Congregation granted—with tears of thanks in the eyes of all the delegates—on 14 January 2008. That very night, I saw Fr. Kolvenbach in the hall of the Jesuit residence in Rome, his soutane set aside, wearing only his black pants and a torn undershirt, as he packed his few possessions. The next day he left for Germany, for some doctors appointments, and then on to Beirut, where he spent the remainder of his days as Assistant Librarian at the Jesuit college. In the 9 years that followed, he gave no interviews about the Society or the Church—that was not his mission any more—and when he died, few beyond the Jesuits noticed. Having led

a great revolution in the Church—where lay and Jesuits partners now minister together, where interreligious dialogue and engagement with culture are considered constitutive elements of Jesuit (and even Catholic) identity, where the accompaniment of the marginalized is a foundational part of the faith—Peter-Hans Kolvenbach left the world, much like the One whose love transformed his life.

In this world of media driven personality, we are more likely to be attracted by the swagger of a demagogue than by the humble passage of a saint. Indeed, we may even be led to believe that revolution is impossible without demagoguery and division, without a ruthless devotion to one's ideology. Such was the way of Fidel; such is the way of many in our world today. Yet the way of Kolvenbach was not the way of ideology, but the way of service; a revolution built on humility and faithfulness, on the love of every person and the self-emptying love of Jesus—a revolution not of the state but of the soul. While one revolution leads to power over others, and fades away like the life of an old man; the other revolution leads only to Christ, and lasts until the resurrection of the dead.

John SJ



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Immaculate Conception Mass

On **Thursday, December 8th**, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary. There will be two parish masses on this Holy Day: 7 am in the Arrupe Room and 7 pm in the church. special collection for Noel House. Please join us!

Advent Reconciliation Service

Join us for our annual Parish Advent Reconciliation Service **Saturday, December 10th from 12-4 pm** in the church. This day offers a time for enjoying quiet prayer, for visiting with a Jesuit priest for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and for preparing our hearts for the joys of Christmas. Come for all or part of the afternoon. All are welcome!

Prayer
Tree



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: Welcome to newborn Addison Jones, a sister for Cooper and Riley . . . Grateful that Carol, an octogenarian, is doing well and her health is stellar . . . For the intentions of Daniella . . . For the children who received the sacrament of Reconciliation this weekend, God bless your hearts and souls.

*“Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance.”
~Matthew 3:8*

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FAITH JUSTICE



Thank you for supporting one of our Outreach Partners!

Instructions: Gifts must be back to the church, by **Monday, December 12th!**

1. Please choose an ornament and purchase the requested item.
2. If your item does not indicate whether to wrap the gift or to leave it unwrapped, please leave the gift UNWRAPPED.
3. Please attach the ornament/tag you received to the wrapped/unwrapped gift.
4. Bring your giving tree donations back to the St. Joseph's Giving Tree or the Parish Center. Note: The last day of our collection is Monday, December 12th.

5. Questions? Please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

St. Joseph Epiphany Dinner

On **Sunday, January 8, 2017**, from 1-4 pm in the Social Hall, we'll open our doors to anyone in the community for a shared meal and fellowship. We extend a personal invitation to all of our "Outreach Partners" such as Recovery Café, St. Martin de Porres Shelter, Chief Seattle Club, Noel House, and Jubilee Women's Center, to name a few. Transportation will be provided from several locations downtown. As is our tradition, we invite members of our community to provide cooked turkeys, hams, vegetables, potatoes, beverages, desserts and appetizers. Volunteers are needed for food prep, cooking, decorating, table hosting and clean-up.

Sign-ups are super -easy! Visit PerfectPotluck.com and locate the meal by coordinator last name (Wodzanowski) and password (Epiphany). Sign-up by entering your name, email & phone number for the item you would like to bring. You can also sign up after Mass. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Questions? Please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Thank you to all who have made gifts and pledges to our annual stewardship appeal. **To date, we have received 487 pledges totaling \$841,247 toward our goal of \$1,500,000.** We are endlessly grateful for your commitment to St. Joseph Parish!

If you haven't yet affirmed your active membership in our parish, please do so, and prayerfully consider what, if any, gift you are able to give to support our work. To speak or write an affirmation is to make your membership intentional and not merely *pro forma*. In a community of prayer and spirit, such an affirmation, we hope, will also encourage reflection and break the, perhaps, merely habitual ties. So, that is why we ask for annual affirmation.

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PARISH LIFE



Seniors On The Go

Tuesday, December 6th - Join us for our annual outing to Molbak's, Flower World and the Maltby Café. We hop on the parish mini-bus which seats up to 14 passengers around 10:00 am and return around 3:30pm. Reserve your seat by emailing Renee at rleet@stjosephparish.org or by calling 206-324-2522, Ext 100.

Tuesday, December 13th - Join us for our Seniors Christmas Potluck Party from 5-8 pm in the Arrupe Room. We will have a small gift exchange and an optional gift for St Francis House children.

Friday, January 6th, 2017 - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry has made many beautiful shawls and blankets that have been given to parish members, as well as their friends and relatives who are ill.

Our ministry typically meets the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Center from 7-8:30 pm. We spend that time in prayer and friendship, while knitting or crocheting our blankets and shawls. We welcome all levels of experience, even people who would like to learn to knit or crochet as we have members who would be happy to teach and mentor at the gatherings. The next meeting on **December 6th** will be a special festive gathering at the home of Sheila Prusa.

For more information about the ministry or special gathering, please contact Sheila Prusa at sheilaprusa@msn.com or call 206-399-6013.

Funeral Hospitality

We need help with our funeral hospitality ministry. This important ministry offers support to families coping with the many details of funeral planning. As part of our loving concern for the life of the community here, our hospitality team provides assistance in the planning and hosting of a reception after funeral services.

This is a great opportunity for school parents to earn "service hours" and a pleasant way for newcomers to become acquainted. Please contact Mary Ott with any questions or to sign up at ottjm4@gmail.com or 206-324-7459.

Give the Gift of Blood

'Tis the season for Bloodworks NW to see a drop in donations! Help spread a pint sized portion of holiday cheer by donating blood at St. Joseph Parish Center on **Monday, December 5th**, from 1-7 pm (closed 3-4 pm). Your donation is an incredible gift that only you can give to a patient in our community: the generous gift of health, life and hope for a better tomorrow. To sign up, please email Renee Leet at rleet@stjosephparish.org

Women's Ministry

All women are welcome to join us for Coffee Connect on **Saturday, December 10th**, at Tully's on 19th Ave E from 10 -11 am.

Please come sip and socialize. Contact Sheila Marie at smarie49@comcast.net or (206) 251-7035 with any questions.



Young Adult Ministry

Ugly Holiday Sweater Social--**Sunday, December 11th**, following 5:30 Mass, we'll meet for festive fellowship in the Parish Center. Wear your finest, "ugliest" Holiday sweater to kick the season off right! Bring \$5 or a can of food to get your picture taken with Santa! Light refreshments served. For details email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

Save the Date: LGBT Ministry For Heaven's Sake Cookie Bake

For Heaven's Sake Annual Cookie Bake

Wednesday, December 21st, 6:30-9:00 pm
Arrupe Room/ Parish Center

FAITH FORMATION

Children's Faith Formation News

Celebrate Advent with CFF! **Sunday School** classes will be held on **December 4th, 11th, and 18th**. Our Christmas Break is December 25th thru the New Year holiday, so **no Sunday School on December 25th or January 1st**. Classes resume Sunday, January 8th.

Pathfinders 2016

Calling all St. Joseph 6th, 7th and 8th Graders. Pathfinders will meet this **Wednesday, December 7th**, in the Parish Center. For information, please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org



JESUIT SEATTLE



Christmas Choir Concert: "A Festival of Christmas" Seattle University Chorale

Come see Choir-In-Residence, Seattle University Chorale and Chamber Singers, perform a holiday repertoire. Join us on **Saturday, December 3rd**, at 8:00 pm, at St. Joseph Church. Hear the enchanting echoes of outstanding singing in the engaging music of Javier Busto, Ola Gjeilo, Michel Haydn, Lee Peterson, Sergei Rachmaninoff, John Rutter, and our favorite Nigerian carol, *Betelehemu*, paired with a new African work, *O Sifuni Mungu*.

Tickets are \$7 for students, \$20 general admission, and \$35 for reserved seating. St. Joseph parishioners are welcome free of charge or can make a free will offering. For ticket purchases please call 206-296-5372. Tickets are also available at the door.

Advent Evening of Prayer

"Welcoming the Stranger Home"

Tuesday, December 6th, 7-9 pm, St. Joseph Church

What would it mean to welcome and make a home in our hearts for the immigrant...the stranger...the Other? Might we encounter Beauty in an unexpected place? Jesus on earth? Contemplate the immigrant stories of the Holy Family, our presenters, and your own. Give yourself time this Advent to breathe during a hectic season and rest in an evening of silence, prayer, art, music, & reflection.

Event is free of charge, and all are invited to attend. Donations appreciated. Seating is first-come, first-served. An RSVP is helpful, but not necessary. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Andrea Fontana, Program Coordinator, at andrea@ignatiancenter.org or call 206-329-4824. Sponsored by Ignatian Spirituality Center.

Ad Majorem Dei Concert Series: "Not One Sparrow Is Forgotten" A Choral Arts Christmas

Choral Arts, St. Joseph Choir-In-Residence, will present its signature program during this holiday season. Our unique hour-long concert of uninterrupted music with interludes played by classical guitarist Robert McCaffery-Lent provides an oasis of calm in the midst of the hectic holiday season. These holiday performances will also feature our first world premiere of the 2016-17 performance season, a new Christmas commission from local composer (and CANW soprano) Jessica French. Join us on **Saturday December 10th, 8:00 pm**, at **St. Joseph Church**, or **Sunday, December 11th, 3:00 pm**, at **Plymouth Church, Seattle**. Suggested donation is \$25 general admission, \$20 for seniors, and students are always free! For more information about this concert visit www.choral-arts.org

A Winter Day of Reflection

"An Examen at the Cusp of the Year"

A Pilgrim's Pondering

Saturday, December 31st, 2016, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

St. Joseph Parish Center, Mary Hartrich, Facilitator

Sponsored by Ignatian Spirituality Center

SAVE THE DATE!



St. Joseph Holiday Schedule

Thursday, December 8

7:00 pm, Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass

Saturday, December 10

12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Seek Mercy: Parish Reconciliation Service

Sunday, December 18

No 5:30 pm Mass for Church cleaning & preparation

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

Saturday, December 24

4:00 pm, Children's Mass (Doors open at 3:00 pm)

6:00 pm, Mass in the Evening

10:00 pm, Lessons & Carols

10:30 pm, Mass in the Night

Sunday, December 25

10:00 am, Mass in the Morning

New Year's Eve

Saturday, December 31

5:00 pm, Vigil Mass

8:00 pm, Benediction & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
ending at Midnight

New Year's Day

Sunday, January 1, 2017

9:00 am, 11:00 am, and 5:30 pm



Advent