

St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



GAUDETE! REJOICE!

"Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to

them."



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT **DECEMBER 11, 2016**

Preaching This Week: Fr. Julian Climaco, S.J. Preaching Next Week: Fr. John D. Whitney, S.J. Readings for December 18, 2016

> FIRST READING: ISAIAH 7:10-14 SECOND READING: ROMANS 1:1-7 GOSPEL: MATTHEW 1:18-24

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

Parish Advent Reconciliation Service Sat, Dec. 10th - 12 noon-4 pm in the Church or by appointment

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At the Coast in Advent

We must uncenter our minds from ourselves: We must unhumanize our views a little, and become confidant As the rock and ocean that we were made from.

-Robinson Jeffers-



I have lived many places in my life, including four years in Washington, DC and two years in Chicago. I love both those cities, but I could never live in either one for the long term—I would miss the ocean too much. Nothing in creation so draws me to God as does the ocean—"our great sweet mother," as one poet called it. And for me, that is especially true when I go to the coast of the Northwest in the winter, as I had the chance to do for a couple of days this last week.

The Pacific coast in winter is different than it is in summer—like a boxer in training, all the luxuries are stripped away, exposing the primal forces, the sinew and the muscle. At this time of year, the long languid sunshine of summer gives way to a low hanging sun, whose jabs of blinding light break through Michaelangelo clouds to startle and define the day, even as moments of storm and fog ready themselves at a distance. Gone are the great folds of warm, soft sand leading down to the shoreline, and the beckoning waves that splash around the feet of children. In winter, the soft sand is pushed back in great dunes against the houses, like spectators at a sporting match. The beach is carved by rain and sea into something more primitive, into its essential form—marked only by the few tufts of kelp, broken loose in the churning sea, and by the great logs, washed down from the coastal forests. And then there are the waves—whitecaps whipped by the wind, which trip over one another like a never-ending avalanche of foam and watersweeping high up the sand, indifferent to those few who walk the shore, challenged only by the streams of run-off returning from the mountains to their ancient source.

Walking along the coast in winter, the frost glistening on kelp and sand, I begin to break free of the gravity of the now—the force of deadlines and of other people's expectations, which hold me in my small orbit of time—and I encounter something more, an

ancient freedom, where all things are connected and a higher vision is possible. Here is the sea: churning and moving as it has for millions of years, constantly fed by streams and rivers that empty into it, yet never filled. Instead, this timeless sea is bound to sky and wind, to the motions of waters at the other end of the earth and to the forces of the distant moon, who pulls upon it in the tides and who is held by it in a timeless embrace. All life, attests the ocean, is connected; all change—the carving of the rocks and the shaping of the hills-but moments rising and returning here. We emerged from such an ocean, and each one of us still carries it within: in the salty waters of our body; in the movement of our blood; in the roar that fills our ears when everything else is silent; in the great cycle that brings us forth, that holds us in being, and that will, at last, return our elements to the sea.

Such a vision can liberate us from the tyranny of the everyday—from the small frustrations and obligations that so often seem important, but are as passing as a bit of foam blowing across the sand. Yet, it should also remind us that we are not so different from one another, and that all the ways we separate and divide people by race or religion, by nationality or status, by wealth or power, by gender or physical ability are mere illusions—untrue to the nature of our being and to the reality of our origin. Though we are as diverse as the waves, as unique as each outcrop of stone and plant, we are part of a single whole. We are dependent upon one another, bound to one another by nature and by grace. We are grounded in a profound, unescapable unity; which, like the sea itself, is constantly in motion and is ever the same. Such is the deep truth of our world, a truth many would deny, but which creation itself affirms with every rising tide, with every rolling wave.

In the season of Advent, amid darkness and storm, we are called to awaken; called to set aside the comfortable ideologies in which we have slumbered, and to see the truth that comes in God's communion with the world. No longer trapped by the illusion that we are alone, no longer caught in the imaginary importance of our own ego, we are reminded that every dark corner is lit by grace, that every refugee and outcast, every president and king, every mother and child is born of the same great ocean of love.

Connecting with St. Joseph - WELCOME!

All are welcome at the table!

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!



FOLLOW ST. JOSEPH ON FACEBOOK

Did you know that St. Joseph has a Facebook page? Check out our posted pics and inspirational shares on our Jesuit identity. And while you're at it, please "like" us. As of press time, the parish had 455 likes. Thanks for putting us over the 450 mark. Let's go all the way to 500 by end of year!

Check us out at: www.facebook.com/stjosephseattle

Parish Photo Directory

We wanted to provide an update on the delivery of the Parish Directory....Given the hard work that has gone into proofing the directory we have had to push back the delivery date. The directory should be mailed out the first week of February. We realize this is later than we had originally stated and we are so very grateful for your patience - but we are certain you will be pleased with the final product!

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

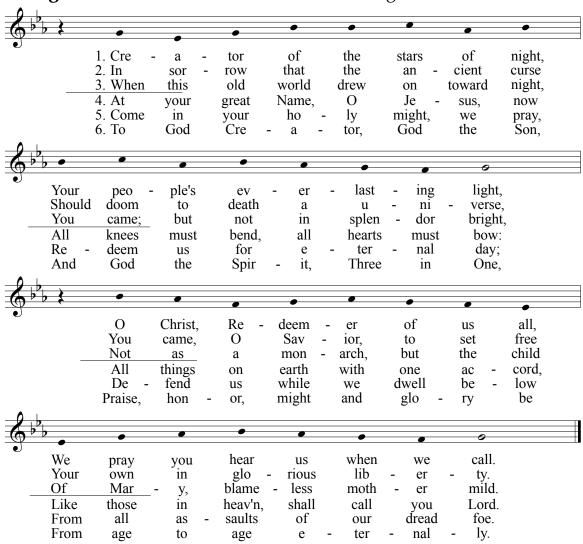
Call To Worship

Please stand at the tolling of the bell



Entrance Songs

Creator of the Stars of Night



Blessing The Advent Wreath

Penitential Act

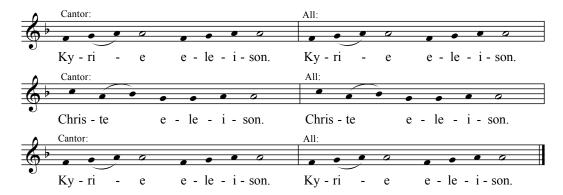
I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, **Strike breast during next line.**

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.



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First Reading

Isaiah 35:1-6A, 10

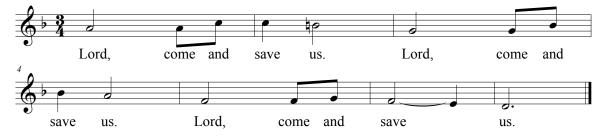
The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom. They will bloom with abundant flowers, and rejoice with joyful song. The glory of Lebanon will be given to them, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon; they will see the glory of the LORD, the splendor of our God. Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak, say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you. Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy; they will meet with joy and gladness, sorrow and mourning will flee.



Responsorial Psalm Psalm 146 Lord, Come and Save Us

Haugen



Happy those who keep faith with you, securing justice for the oppressed, who give your food to each hungry heart, your freedom to each captive.

You give your sight to all the blind, you raise up those bent low. Your heart is near to the broken ones, you welcome in the stranger.

The weak and poor you sustain in love, the wicked ones you bring to destruction; for ever more shall your reign endure, to ev'ry generation.

Second Reading James 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand. Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another, that you may not be judged. Behold, the Judge is standing before the gates. Take as an example of hardship and patience, brothers and sisters, the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamations

Alleluia (5,11 & 5:30)

Murray



Advent Alleluia (9)

Joncas



Gospel Matthew 11:2-11

When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the Christ, he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" Jesus said to them in reply, "Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them. And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me."

As they were going off, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John, "What did you go out to the desert to see? A reed swayed by the wind? Then what did you go out to see? Someone dressed in fine clothing? Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces. Then why did you go out? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my

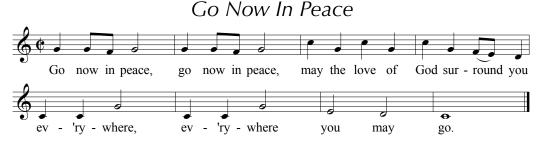


messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you. Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."

Homily

Fr. Julian Climaco, S.J.

(9:00) Dismissal of the Catechumens & Candidates



Offertory Song

Choral/Cantor Solo: Make Straight in the Desert A Highway

Lovelace/Daw Jr.

Sleeth

Make straight in the desert a highway prepare the way of the Lord Let mountains and hills bow down humbly and valleys rise up for their King In joy shall the wilderness blossom and streams through the desert be poured The eyes of the blind shall be open and tongues that were silent shall sing.

Break forth into singing, O Zion, your King is coming to you.

Jerusalem, shout with rejoicing, he comes to redeem you from fear.

For God shall bring peace and abundance, your praise and renown to renew Prepare to receive your salvation: the promised redeemer is near.

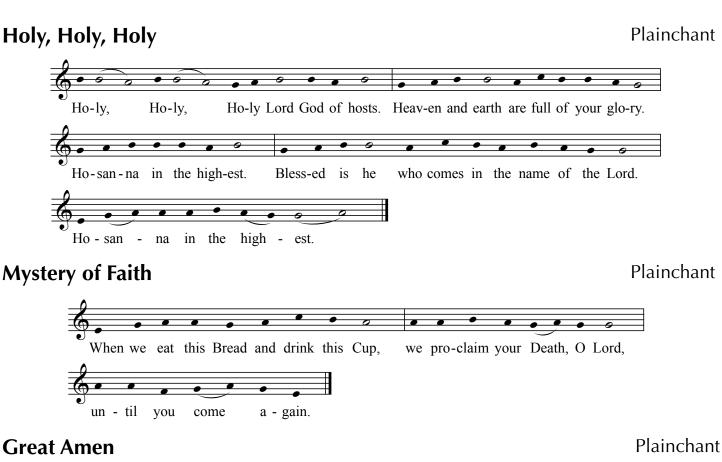
The reign of the lord will be gracious, its blessing ever will last.

For then will God bring to fulfillment the promise of peace from above.

All creatures will prosper together, to plowshares swords will be cast:

Earth's people will find their true freedom in God's perfect Kingdom of Love.











All Are Invited To Come Forward

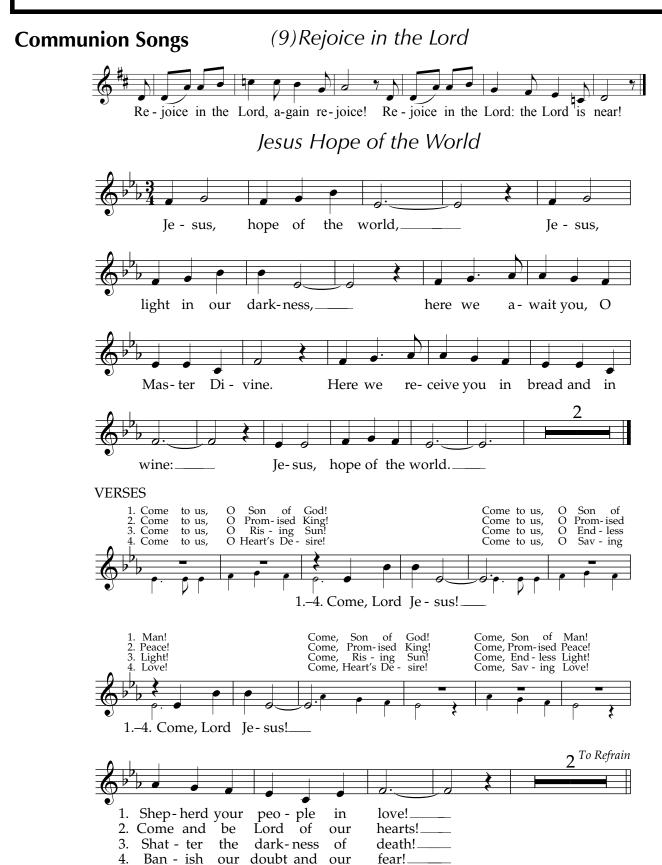
During communion, we invite all to come forward. If you do not ordinarily receive Eucharist, or choose not to, come for a blessing, indicating your desire by putting your hand on your heart.

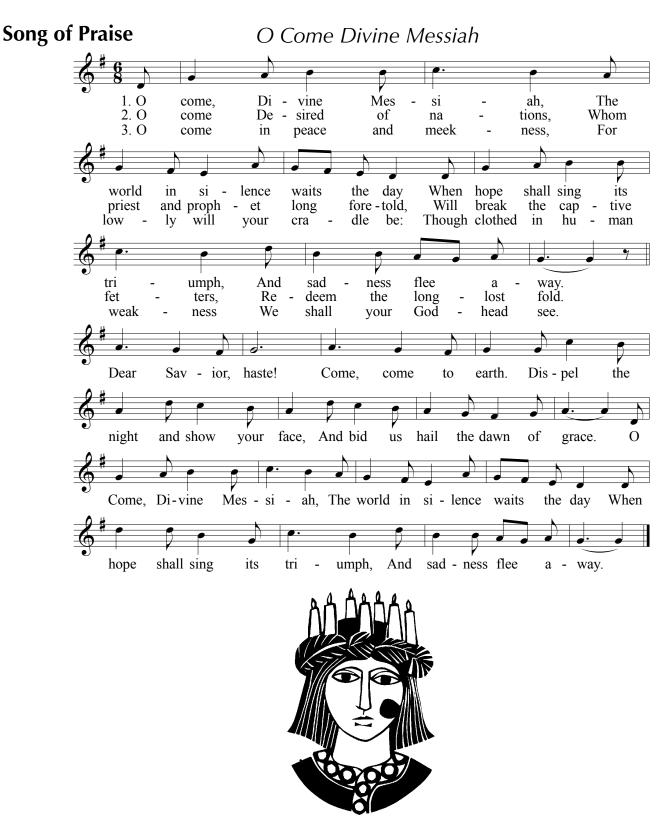


Psallite

Tate

IF YOU HAVE A GLUTEN ALLERGY, & NEED A GLUTEN FREE HOST, PLEASE COME TO THE PRESIDER & INDICATE THIS.





Postlude & Recessional

Tolling of the Bell

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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 Mass

7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer 7:00 PM Holy Rosary Group

Tuesday

7:00 AM Mass

5:00 PM Seniors Christmas Potluck Party

7:00 PM **RCIA**

7:00 PM Tuesday Night Yoga Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass

6:00 PM **Pathfinders**

7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

Friday

7:00 AM Mass

Saturday

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

Vigil Mass 5:00 PM



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

WAIT FOR THE LORD: ADVENT TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, December 21st, from 7:30-8:30 pm, St. Joseph's Church, Presider: Deacon Steve

Formed in the French town of the same name in 1940, Taizé prayer blossomed from a prayer community intended to create a place of peace and refuge in war-torn France. Taizé prayer consists of a series of repetitive melodies and chants interspersed with reflection and a period of contemplative silence. Brother Roger, the founder of the Taizé community, says of the meditative prayer: "Nothing is more conducive to a communion with the living God than a meditative common prayer with, as its high point, singing that never ends and that continues in the silence of one's heart when one is alone again." Our theme this time is "Active Waiting" as we prepare our hearts to receive Christ born anew. Similar to the Novena of Grace, we will invite participants to write down a prayer petition to be voiced aloud in the service. If you would like to share your musical talents, please contact Paula at shiva_paula@ vahoo.com or Drew at cosmo787@gmail.com, or contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646 if you want to be a greeter, reader, or for any general questions.



Joseph Community extends Tree prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Virginia's healing after surgery and physical therapy . . . For the men and women in blue who serve and protect us, we pray for their safety . . Thank you do-

nors for your support of our recent Blood Drive – your donation makes a vital difference . . . As we prepare for His coming, let us be at peace within ourselves.

"Do not let us get caught up in trivialities but help us to see what really matters."

~Robert Morneau's Waiting in Joyful Hope

Help with Church Decorations!

Join fellow parishioners on Sunday, December 18th, to prepare the Church for Christmas. This is a great opportunity for new parishioners to get to know others in our community. Immediately following the 11 am Mass, we will gather for a quick lunch in the Arrupe Room of the Parish Center, then head over to the Church, divide in teams, and thoroughly clean the church, light the trees, hang the wreaths and set out the poinsettias. Bring the family. Stay an hour or three. Make it an annual tradition!

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MINISTRY enrichment GATHERING®

A time to gather for prayer, training, and formation.

Saturday, February 11, 2017

9:00AM-2:30PM

St. Joseph Parish

732 18th Ave. E, Seattle, Washington 98112

Co-sponsored by Christ Our Hope Catholic Church Register by January 28, 2017.





www.MinistryEnrichmentGathering.org

FAITH JUSTICE



Thank you for supporting one of our Outreach Partners!! Instructions: Gifts must be back by 4 pm to the church or Parish Center 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 tape the ornament/tag you received to the wrapped/unwrapped gift.
- 4. 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 521 pledges totaling \$897,014 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.

Many thanks... Connie Anthony, Hugh Bangasser & Lucy Homans, Thomas Barr & Maria Renz, J. Mark & Karen Barrett, Brian & Sandra Bonet, Martin & Kelsey Brantner, Curtis & Jennifer Buchanan, Roberta Chiles, David & Jessica Chow, Bob & Molly Davidson, Kamel Perez-Ledesma & Lauren Dupuis, Tee Earls & Troy Kaser, David & Gabrielle Fitzgerald, Anne Flinchbaugh, George & Mary Ellen Haddad, Ranjiv & Nanette Hayre, Jacob Hiatt & Claire Craft, Patrick Hogan, Guy & Catherine Holliday, Jay Johnston & Missy Ward, Katherine Klauser, Patricia Lawrence,

Toan Duc Le & Linh Thuy Dam, Christopher Mayer, Eileen McAuliffe, Katelyn Mendoza, Marian Mullally, Vincent & Catherine Mullally, Jeffrey Nevin & Carrie Nemec, Douglas & Kathleen O'Dell, Darragh & Lila O'Mahony, Gavin & Megan Oxman, Jimmie & Mary Price, Daniel & Karen Quinn-Shea, Gail Reath, Steve & Lisa Turnure, Thaddeus & Kari Westhusing, Kenneth & Hope Wiljanen, Bob Wodnik, and Peter & Melinda Wooding.

IRA Charitable Rollover

The IRA Charitable Rollover allows individuals who are 70-1/2 years old to donate up to \$100,000 to charitable organizations directly from their IRA. This transfer counts toward the minimum required distribution rule for IRA accounts, and such distributions are free of both income and estate taxes. To qualify, contributions must come from a traditional IRA or Roth IRA, and they must be made directly to qualified charities like St. Joseph Parish or St. Joseph School. Additionally, the donor may not receive goods or services in exchange for the donation, and they must retain a receipt from each charity to which a donation is made. For more information, please consult your financial advisor or contact Tina O'Brien, our Director of Advancement, at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or 206.965.1654.

Parish Life



Seniors On The Go

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. Optional request: feel free to bring a gift for St. Francis House children.

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

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.

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





Children's Faith Formation News

Celebrate Advent with CFF! **Sunday School classes** will be held on **December 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 8, 2017.

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 selected and are also an active part of the child's faith formation during this time. For more information please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org

Children's Baptism -- If you have a child age five to seven years old and he or she would like to be baptized into the Catholic Faith, then this is the program for you! Preparation begins in January with the Sacrament of Baptism taking place this upcoming April.

Please set up an appointment with Dottie Farewell by calling 206-965-1652 or emailing dfarewell@stjo-sephparish.org

Pathfinders 2016

Calling all St. Joseph 6th, 7th and 8th Graders. Pathfinders will meet this **Wednesday**, **December 14th**, in the Parish Center. For information, please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org

St. Joseph School

To be added to the mailing list about current events and happenings at St. Joseph School, feel free to subcribe to the weekly *Flash* at: http://www.stjosephsea.org/about/news-publications

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

February 3-5 2017

\$325 Per Couple*

Partial Scholarships Available



Register with Deacon Steve by January 3rd 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org



"Shelter From The Storm"

Join other married couples of all ages and walks of life for a weekend of spiritual reflection. This year's theme will revolve around Bob Dylan's classic song "Shelter From the Storm"! Explore different ways to weather the storms of life with your partner.

* Price includes Continental breakfast Saturday & Sunday, as well as a Saturday night group dinner!

St. Joseph Holiday Schedule

Sunday, December 18

12 Noon-4 pm Come help us prepare the church for Christmas. No 5:30 pm Mass due to church cleaning.

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



