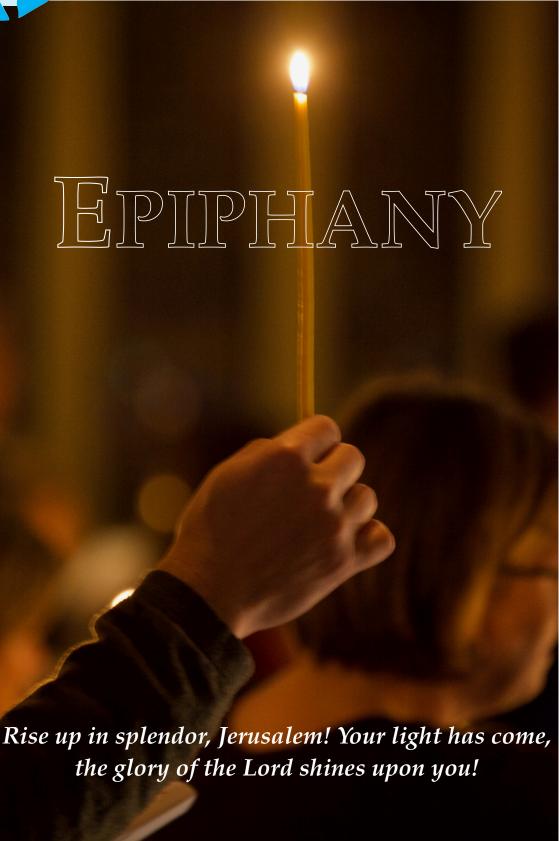


St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 8, 2017

Preaching This Week: Fr. Bob Grimm, S.J.
Preaching Next Week: Fr. John D. Whitney, S.J.
Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5 pm

Sunday - 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 5:30 pm

Readings for January 15, 2017

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 49:3 5-6

Second Reading: 1 Corintheans 1:1-3

GOSPEL: JOHN 1:29-34

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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New Year's Resolution

When despair for the world grows in me and I wake in the night at the least sound in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be, I go and lie down where the wood drake rests in his beauty on the water, and the green heron feeds.

I come into the peace of wild things who do not tax their lives with forethought of grief. I come into the presence of still water.

And I feel above me the day-blind stars waiting with their light. For a time I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

-Wendell Berry-

I spent New Year's Eve in the emergency room of Swedish Hospital, knocked for a loop by a small virus, who offered me a cleansing I would just as soon have avoided, had I been asked. My intention had been to spend the evening in prayer and vigil, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. I wanted to pray for those I love and for those I need to love better. I wanted to pray for peace: in Syria, in Afghanistan, in South Sudan, in Burma, in places I don't know and places I can't even remember. I wanted to pray for those suffering the effects of all the world's wars: for the veterans and the refugees, for the children who mourn their parents and the parents who mourn their young; for those killed in merciless attacks and those compelled—by rulers or by their own demons—to attack so mercilessly. I wanted to pray for the Church, and for the country, and for my family, and for the people of St. Joseph, and for the brokenness of my own disordered heart. I was resolved to lay it all before the Lord, trusting in the mercy I too often undervalue; but, instead, I ended up laying on a gurney, hoping only for the spinning room to stop.

It was over the next couple of days, as I recovered in my room in the basement of the Jesuit community, that all the frustration and disappointment I felt in not celebrating the New Year's Eve vigil began to mutate into something deeper-something that came less from my ego and more from God's grace. I had wanted to praise God, wanted to call the community to the altar and to the care of the world. I had wanted to offer my regrets and my resolutions up to God in the beautiful ritual—the fragrant offering—of the Church. I had wanted to begin the new year immersed in my calling as a Christian, as a priest, as a leader of prayer and a supplicant at the altar. But then the reality of incarnation, the true frailty of this embodied life, turned all my ideas and plans on their head: reminding me, when at last I came to understand, that my life is lived out in a body, within in a world, in communion with all living things. The world is not just a product of my ideas, nor a fixture for my intellectual activity. Rather, for all my plans and thoughts, for all my regrets and expectations, for all the grand schemes that I put into motion, in the end, I am a creature among creatures, subject to the laws of nature and to the unconscious unwinding of the physical world.

At first, such a realization of one's own mortality might seem disheartening—a reminder, on the edge of the new year, that I am a limited being, bound to the earth in a quite inescapable way. As Scripture puts it: "For you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3: 19). What a staggering and humbling realization. Despite all my planning and ritual, all my grand ideas and perfectly formed resolutions, the world is greater than I am, and moves through forces and powers over which I have little command. How small I am, compared to these; how easily removed, by even a microscopic virus; and how quickly will the void of my presence be filled. As my father used to tell me, "The cemeteries are filled with indispensable people," all of whom are disposed of by the cycle of nature, returning to the earth with so many of their plans unrealized.

Perhaps disheartening is an understatement.

Yet, before giving way to despair, there is also something more to consider: for even as I note the fragility of my embodiment, I also come to a new sense of my freedom. For if the world is greater than my ideas and plans, it is also greater than my fears and regrets. I cannot fix all that is wrong in the world nor bend it to my will or ideology. What I can do is to be in this place—in my place—amid the great river of life. I can love or heal or embrace only those who are brought into my particular current. This is not a license to ignore the rest of the world, but a realization that the world is a communion of beings, working in the harmony of a common Spirit. It is an invitation to accept that I am called to do my part, but not all parts; to live, and to let the communion of life live with me. By recognizing this, by stepping back from the constant, ego-driven compulsion to do all things, I find the freedom to let some things pass me by—to let my brilliant ideas go unrealized, my perfect plans be put back on the shelf. And I come to trust that the whole river, including my small current, will somehow find its way to the sea of grace that it is meant to reach.

As the new year begins, our culture calls us to make resolutions, to tell ourselves (again) what we must do to become perfect. In this year, perhaps especially, we might feel the pressure to solve hunger or homelessness; to take on our shoulders all the burdens of war and peace, racism and misogyny; to sacrifice ourselves to the great problems that face our world, even while feeling their unbearable weight pressing back against us. Faced with ideologies of death, we might feel ourselves tempted to embrace counter-ideologies, without realizing that it is ideology itself which is drawing us down.

Isn't this the message of the Incarnation? Isn't this the miracle—and the scandal—of the Word made flesh? For the Creator of the universe, the source of all that lives,

from the tiny virus to the tallest redwood, came into the world not as the best political system nor the wisest philosophy; not as one successful in every plan nor victorious in every battle. God comes into the world as one like us-frail, weak, limited, and bound for the grave. The Spirit of God takes flesh in a particular baby, who grows up like any of us, and begins the work of the Kingdom through his own quite limited life, which he shares with a cluster of equally particular disciples. None of them did it all, but each one passed on his or her gift to the next generation, and the next, all the way to us, so that we might pass it on ourselves—having contributed only our own small part. This is the grace of the Incarnation, "the grace of the world," in which we are called to find our rest and our communion. Happy New Year.

Prayer St. Tree

Joseph Community extends prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Yang as she begins another treatment of chemo for oral cancer . . . For Virginia who is home after multiple surgeries in the past two months and is in the pro-

cess of healing - no place like home . . . For all who are suffering colds and the flu during this winter season . . . For the homeless during this cold spell – may they find a warm haven to rest . . . For Michele's challenges, may she see the pathway.

"I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, Bandage the wounded and make the weak strong."

~EZ 36:16

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Epiphany Introit (9:00)

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We have seen his star in the east and have come to adore the Lord.



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First Reading Isaiah 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

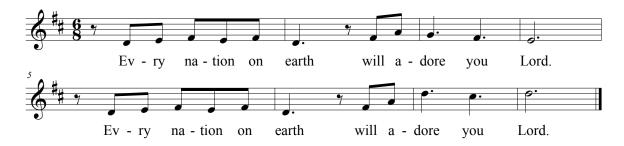
Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72

Joncas



O God with your judgment endow the king, with your justice endow the king's son. With justice he will govern the people, your afflicted ones with right judgment.

Justice shall flower in his days, lasting peace till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, from the river to the ends of the earth.

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles offer gifts, those from Seba and Arabia bring tribute.

All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

He rescues the poor when they cry out, the afflicted with no one to help. The lowly and poor he shall pity, the lives of the poor he will save.

Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that wasgiven to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Gospel Acclamations

Christmas Alleluia

Chepponis



Gospel Matthew 2:1-12

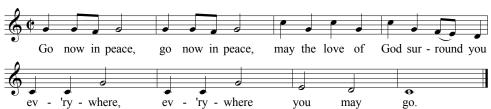
When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

Homily Fr. Bob Grimm, S.J.

Go Now In Peace

Dismissal of the Catechumens & Candidates (9:00)

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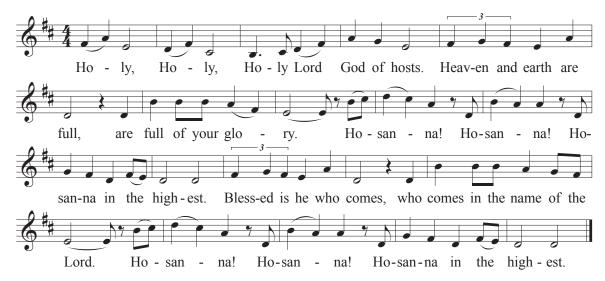
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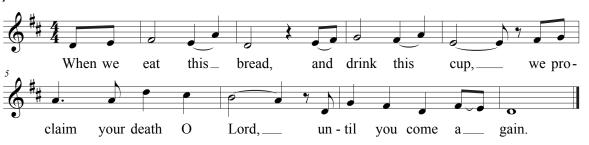
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Mystery of Faith

Mass of Christ the Savior

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Great Amen

Mass of Christ the Savior

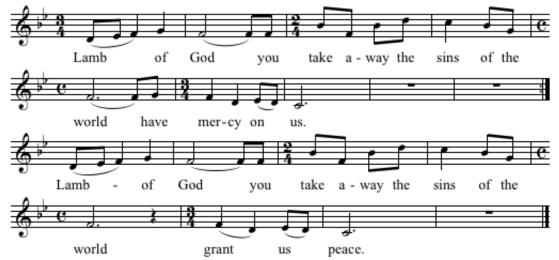
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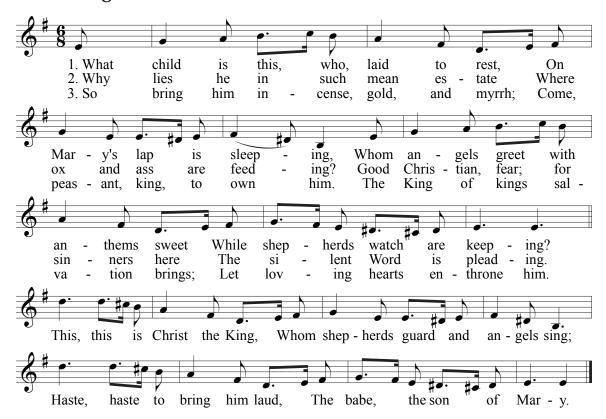


All Are Invited To Come Forward

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.

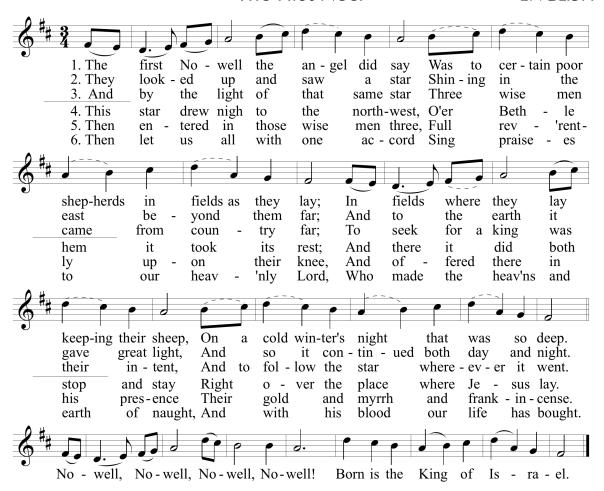


If you have a gluten allergy, & need a gluten free host, please come to the Presider & indicate this.

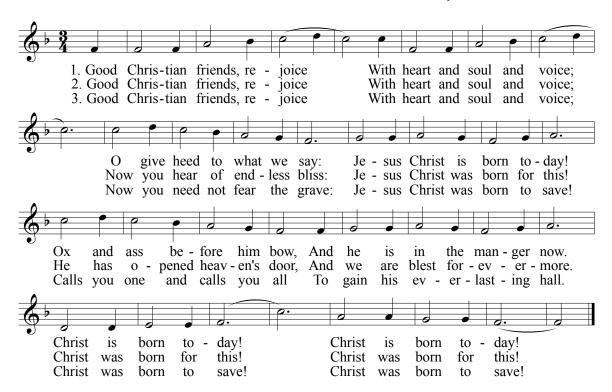


The First Noel

ENGLISH CAROL



Song of Praise/Recessional Good Christian Friends Rejoice



Postlude

Instrumental



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday

9:00 AM Mass - Childcare Available 10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join us!

11:00 AM Mass

1:00 PM Epiphany Dinner

5:30 PM Mass

6:30 PM Young Adult Stump the Priest

Monday

7:00 AM Mass

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

Tuesday

7:00 AM Mass 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

7:00 PM Holy Hour

Friday

7:00 AM Mass

Saturday

3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

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Parish Life

Seniors On The Go

We're back! Aging Gracefully support group will gather on Wednesday, January 18th, at 11:00 am. We meet every third Wednesday of the month in the Arrupe Room for companionship, sharing life stories while enjoying coffee, tea and treats. For more information contact Eleanor McCall at 206 325-4615 or Frances at franceschikahisa@me.com

Conversation on Race

Join other parishioners in a newly-forming book group (or groups depending on how many respond) on race, racial justice and racial history in our country. We will meet on **Wednesday**, **January 25th**, at 7:00 PM in the Arrupe Room, Parish Center. Please come with a book you would like to read on the topic of race and be prepared to make a case for it. We will choose the books we'll read for the year and set our meeting schedule. Questions? Please contact Mary de Rosas at mpcd4730@yahoo.com or 206-683-8951.

Newcomers Gathering

If you are a newcomer to the parish, please join us for our Meet, Greet & Eat gathering on **Saturday, January 28th,** from 10:00 am-12 noon in the Parish Center. We will provide a light breakfast.

Come meet the parish staff, other new parishioners and learn about how to be involved in the parish. To RSVP please contact Jack Hilovsky at 206-965-1653 or jackh@stjosephparish.org

Men's Ministry Planning Meeting

On **Thursday, January 19th**, from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Parish Center, the Men's Ministry group will gather to map our plan for the kinds of events and retreats St. Joseph's Men's Ministry wants to sponsor/host in the coming year. One of our goals is to broaden the participation of our Men's Ministry activities to include newer and younger men so we're hoping for a mix of longer term members and men who are new to the parish and Men's Ministry.

Are their specific topics you want to see addressed? What's your interest and availability for weekend retreats? Would you be interested in more small group opportunities (Bible Study, book groups or faith-sharing)? Are you looking for service opportunities? Even if you cannot attend, we'd appreciate your input and feedback as we move forward. To share your ideas please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@ stjosephparish.org or call 206-965-1646.

Volleyball Registration

Volleyball registration is up and running! Avoid the late registration blues and register today. The cost is \$75 and all 4th-8th graders are invited to play. **The final deadline is January 19th**. The registration can be completed online through the St. Joseph School website by going to Community Life>St. Joseph Athletics>Volleyball. Late registrations may not be accepted.

Hope & Healing Support Group

Please join us for Hope and Healing, a new group at St. Joseph, for anyone seeking health and wellness. January's topic is courage. The group will meet at 7:00 pm on **Tuesday**, **January 17th**, upstairs in the Jogues Room. Questions? Contact Avery Haller at averyhaller@outlook.com or call 206-459-1768.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

There are still several spots available for our married couple's retreat on the weekend of **February 3-5**. The cost is \$365 per couple and includes Continental breakfast Saturday and Sunday, as well as a Saturday night group dinner. Contact Deacon Steve for more information at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

Women's Ministry

The Women's Ministry Book Group will have its first meeting of 2017 on **Wednesday January 11th,** in the Arrupe Room (Parish Center basement) at 7:00 pm. It is the custom at the first meeting of the year to choose the books we will read at subsequent meetings.

Each woman should bring a book of any genre (fiction, nonfiction, memoir, etc.) she would like to have the group read and discuss. After a brief presentation of each title, we'll vote, tally the results and then finalize the schedule and dates. If your book is chosen, you'll serve as the facilitator for that evening.

This is an enlightened and enlightening group of women. Please consider joining us. Contact coordinator Katy Huston at katyh101@gmail.com if you plan to attend or have any questions.

On **Saturday, January 14th**, join us for Coffee Connect 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.





LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Choir Auditions

The St. Joseph Choir is seeking new members to join us for the second half of the year. We rehearse Thursday evenings from 7-9:00 pm and sing at the Sunday 9:00 am mass and other special parish liturgies. For more information or to schedule an audition, visit the liturgy section of the parish website or contact Director of Music Ministries Robert McCaffery-Lent at Rmclent@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1649, or simply come talk to Bob at church after Mass.

Taize Prayer Service "Week of Christian Unity"

With Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Wednesday, January 18th, 7:30-8:30 pm, St. Joseph Church, Fr. Julian Presiding

Taizé prayer consists of a series of repetitive melodies and chants interspersed with reflection and a period of contemplative silence. 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@yahoo.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.

A Christmas Thank You!

Many thanks to all the liturgical ministers who served as musicians, lectors, eucharistic ministers, ushers and altar servers and helped us celebrate Christmas. Those who helped us to find a seat, to hear the word of God, to share the Eucharist, who assisted at the altar and made us feel confident to lift our voices in song! A special thanks to the minister captains Bruce Mirkin, Mary Sepulveda and Jennifer Olegario, and our organist Matthew Samelak and Seattle Brass for the festive music and Jennifer Kelly for the music on Christmas morning. A special thanks to Tess McMillan from St. Joseph School who welcomed us on Christmas morning by playing Christmas music on her harp.



A Vow of Non-Violence



"If the rights and the equal dignity of every person are safeguarded without any discrimination and distinction, then nonviolence, understood as a political method, can constitute a realistic way to overcome arm conflicts."

"Violence profanes the name of God. Let us never tire of repeating: The name of God cannot be used to justify violence. Peace alone is holy... not war!" --Pope Francis

In the footsteps of Jesus and Pope Francis, we invite you to join Pax Christi Seattle members in making a oneyear Vow of Nonviolence on Saturday, January 14, St. loseph Parish at the 5:00 pm Mass by professing the vow (visit https://paxchristiusa.org/resources/vow-ofnonviolence/ to read in its entirety). In preparation, set aside time to pray and reflect over the words. Some parts are easier to live out than others, and we differ in how easy or difficult it is for us as individuals to live out these words. While the Vow of Nonviolence is a personal commitment, by gathering together, we strengthen one another's resolve and commitment to loving one's neighbor in the coming year.



STEWARDSHIP

A Gift to Last the Ages

By remembering St. Joseph Parish in your estate planning, you can help ensure that the graces you have received are there for future generations.

Below are a few examples of the many ways our friends support our parish through their estate plans. For more information or assistance in making your gift, please don't hesitate to contact Tina O'Brien, Director of Advancement, at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965-1654.

Create a Lasting Legacy

- Giving through your will or trust offers a way to support the mission of St. Joseph Parish for generations while meeting your current financial needs.
- Income gifts allow you to make a gift and receive income back—for you or a loved one. There are several ways to accomplish this tailored to your personal goals.
- Other creative gift plans provide opportunities to transfer ownership of your home, farm or other treasured asset to ensure your dream of helping others is met.

For suggested bequest language to provide to your advisors, or to learn more, contact Tina O'Brien, Director of Advancement, at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or 206-965.1654.

Recognize a Special Time or Person

• Memorial gifts can be made in honor of a family member, friend, fellow volunteer or other person special to you.

Stewardship Update

Many, many thanks to all who have made gifts and pledges to our annual stewardship appeal. **To date, we have received 690 pledges totaling \$1,016,972 toward our goal of \$1,500,000.** We are endlessly grateful for your commitment to St. Joseph Parish! If your name is NOT on this list, and you think it should be, please give us a call at 206-965-1654, or email tinao@stjosephparish.org

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FAITH FORMATION

Child Faith Formation

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@stjosephparish.org

Adult Faith Formation

Catholicism 101 series begins January 26th. This series is intended for both Catholics and non-Catholics. If you are a cradle Catholic and want to gain deeper insight into the basic tenets of our faith, this



is a great opportunity to do so. If you aren't Catholic but always wanted to know why Catholics do what they do, this is a no pressure way to get those answers and enter in dialogue.

Our approach to the series is a balance of content, group discussion, Q&A, and an integration of prayer styles. The series covers the nature of Jesus, Scripture, the sacraments, Mary and the saints, and Catholic social teaching. The sessions will meet on Thursdays beginning January 26th – March 2nd from 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Center's Brebeuf Room. To register or for more information email Theresa Lukasik at theresal@ stjosephparish.org