"The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us."
Third Sunday of Lent
March 19, 2017

Preaching This Week: John D. Whitney, S.J.
Preaching Next Week:  John D. Whitney, S.J.

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday - 5 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 5:30 pm

Readings for March 26, 2017
First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14
Gospel: John 9:1-41

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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Servants of God

No one in the world can change Truth. What we can do and should do is to seek truth and to serve it when we have found it. The real conflict is the inner conflict. Beyond armies of occupation and extermination camps, there are two irreconcilable enemies in the depth of every soul: good and evil, sin and love. And what use are the victories on the battlefield if we ourselves are defeated in our innermost personal selves?

-St. Maximilian Kolbe, OFM-
understood the law, even though they understood the danger to themselves and to their family, even though they could see from their house the place where dozens of Jews had been executed only a few months before, for Józef and Wiktoria, their faith compelled them to make room for these refugees, to offer them all they could give. And so they did.

Early in the morning of 24 March 1942, German military police—probably notified by a local policeman to whom the Szalls had entrusted their property—arrived at the Ulma’s farm. Finding the Jews, they immediately shot them to death, and then turned on Józef and Wiktoria. Wiktoria, who was seven months pregnant with their seventh child, was dragged out of the house beside her husband, and as their young children watched, both were executed. Then, so as “not to trouble the village with them,” the officer in command of the police—Lieutenant Eilert Dieken—determined to kill the children, as well, and so he did, saying to the drivers who had come with them, “Look, how Polish swine die—who hide the Jews.”

The Ulmas were buried in shallow graves, along with their children, but later, under cover of darkness, their neighbors came and dug them up, placing their bodies into coffins and praying for them, as they could. Recognized, by the State of Israel, as Righteous Among the Nations, Józef and Wiktoria are also among the many Catholic laity—ordinary in every other way—whose cause for canonization is moving forward in the Catholic Church. Yet, it was not for sainthood nor for recognition that they died, but because the Spirit of Jesus Christ moved in their hearts, calling them to risk everything for the sisters and brothers who came to their door; i.e., because they knew that no one who follows Jesus can ever close their door on the stranger, nor conspire with racists in the persecution of any of God’s beloved daughters and sons.

Last Friday, in the early morning hours—the same time of day that the police came to the Ulma’s farm, so many years ago—an anonymous person defaced the walls of our neighbor’s house: spray-painting hateful words on the outside of Temple De Hirsch Sinai, the synagogue at 1511 E. Pike Street. Reading of this event that afternoon, I reached out to offer what I could to the members of the synagogue, and I was met by a welcoming hand and a kind voice, that invited me to come to the synagogue and join the community for Friday night services. There I was met with the light and grace that comes from the presence of God: who cannot be overcome by hatred nor persecution, by violence nor even death. I stood in that synagogue surrounded by my sisters and brothers.

In these days, when stories of antisemitic and anti-Muslim violence surround us; when voices of fear and rage demonize refugees and weave false narratives to incite hatred; when graves are defaced in the quiet of night and Nazi propaganda—thinly masked behind nationalist rhetoric—is proffered by “respectable” speakers, dressed in expensive suits, we must grab more firmly to the tenets of our faith and to the One who died, not for one nation or people, but for all. We must ground ourselves, as Józef and Wiktoria were grounded, in the living Christ, who calls us to stand against the bullies and the thugs, against the racists and antisemites; who calls us to lay down our lives not for those who seem so much like us—even the pagans do that—but for those whom the world despises. Because these despised—the Jews and the Muslims, the Syrians and the Somalis, the Sikhs and the Hindus, the foreigners without papers and the Indigenous peoples whose lands have been taken—are, all of them, the people of God; and without communion with them, we cannot have communion with Christ.
Third Sunday of Lent

Entrance Antiphon

Kyrie
Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison
(Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy)

Entrance Song

Return to God

Hurd

Entrance Antiphon

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,
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.

Confiteor

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.

Kyrie

Exodus 17:3-7

First Reading

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? a little more and they will stone me!" The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the people, along with some of the elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you go, the staff

with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"
Responsorial Psalm  
*If Today You Hear His Voice*  
Haas

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord. Hail the Rock who saves us. Let us come now before our God. With songs let us hail the Lord.

2. Come, let us bow and bend low. Let us kneel before God who made us, for he is our God, we the people, the flock that is led by God’s hand.

3. O that today you would hear God’s voice, “Harden not your hearts, as on that day in the desert, when your parents put me to the test.”

Second Reading  
Brothers and sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Gospel Acclamation  
Vermulst

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. King of endless glory!  
Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world, Give me living water that I may never thirst again.

Gospel  
John 4:5-42

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob’s well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, “How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?” —For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.— Jesus answered and said to her, “If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.” The woman said to him, “Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself with his children and his flocks?” Jesus answered and said to her, “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.”

Jesus said to her, “Go call your husband and come back.” The woman answered and said to him, “I do not have a husband.” Jesus answered her, “You are right in saying, ‘I do not have a husband.’ For you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true.” The woman said to him, “Sir, I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem.” Jesus said to her, “Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything.” Jesus said to her, “I am he, the one speaking with you.”
At that moment his disciples returned, and were amazed that he was talking with a woman, but still no one said, “What are you looking for?” or “Why are you talking with her?” The woman left her water jar and went into the town and said to the people, “Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Christ?” They went out of the town and came to him. Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, “Rabbi, eat.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat of which you do not know.” So the disciples said to one another, “Could someone have brought him something to eat?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, ‘In four months the harvest will be here? I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest. The reaper is already receiving payment and gathering crops for eternal life, so that the sower and reaper can rejoice together. For here the saying is verified that ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap what you have not worked for; others have done the work, and you are sharing the fruits of their work.”

Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him because of the word of the woman who testified, “He told me everything I have done.” When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman, “We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world.”

Homily

John D. Whitney, S.J.

First Scrutiny

We Thirst For Living Water (5:30)  
Browning

Scrutiny Acclamation

O Healing River (5:30)

Echo the cantor: O healing river...send down your water...Send down your waters...upon this land.  
O healing river....send down your waters...O healing river...send your waters down.

Dismissal

Go Now In Peace (5:30)  
Sleeth

Offertory Songs

Cantor anthem: Vidit Suum Dulcern Natum (5&11)  
Pergolesi
I Heard the Voice of Jesus (9 & 5:30)

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; Lay down, O weary one, lay down Your head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, So weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting place, And he has made me glad.

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Be hold, I freely give The living water; thirsty one, Stoop down, and drink, and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank Of that life-giving stream; My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, And now I live in him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light; Look to me, your morn shall rise, And all your day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found In him my star, my sun; And in that light of life I'll walk Till trav'ling days are done.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Mystery of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Great Amen

Amen.
Lamb of God

Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere noblis
Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere noblis
Agnus Dei qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Communion Choral Anthem (9)  Like As the Hart  Howells

Like as the hart desireth the water brooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God.
When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me, “Where is now thy God?”
Like as the hart desireth the water brooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God.

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  Come to the Water #502  Foley

1. O let all who thirst, let them come to the wa-ter. And let all who have noth-ing, let them come to the Lord: Without mon-ey, with-out price. Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord?
2. And let all who seek, let them come to the wa-ter. And let all who have noth-ing, let them come to the Lord: Without mon-ey, with-out strife. Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord?
3. And let all who toil, let them come to the wa-ter. And let all who are wea-ry, bring the ones who are la-den, bring them all to the Lord: All who la-bor with-out rest. How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord?
4. And let all the poor, let them come to the wa-ter. Bring the ones who are la-den, bring them all to the Lord: Bring the chil-dren with-out might. Easy the load and light: Come to the Lord!
Jesus Ever Flowing Fountain

Refrain

Jesus, ever-flowing fountain, Give us water from your well.

In the gracious gift you offer There is joy no tongue can tell.

Verses

1. Come to me, all pilgrims thirsty; Drink the water I will give. If you knew what gift I may give you rest. Drink the cup of life I

2. Come to me, all travelers weary; Come that freshness in this place. Come, receive the gift I

3. Come to me, believers burdened; Find relief. Hind your guilt and shame. If you knew divine com-

4. Come to me, repentant sinners; Leave behind. Be your trusted friend. Seek the gift of life I

5. Come to me, distressed and needy; I will offer, You would come to me and live. Of offer; At this table be my guest.

6. Come to me, abandoned, orphaned; Lone-ly ways no longer roam. Come, accept the gift I of offer; Turn to me and seek my face. Passions, You would turn and call my name. Of offer; Come, your open hands extend.

of offer; Come and make in me your home.
**Communion Meditation**

*Take, O Take Me As I Am*  
Bell/Carroll


take, O take me as I am;  
sum-mon out what I shall be;

set your seal up-on my heart and live in me.

let the spirit that you give well up in me.

Recessional

*Tolling of the Bell*

“Fasting makes sense if it really chips away at our security and, as a consequence, benefits someone else, if it helps us cultivate the style of the good Samaritan, who bent down to his brother in need and took care of him.”

~Pope Francis

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**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH**

**Sunday**

9:00 AM  Mass - Childcare Available  
10:00 AM  Coffee & Donuts - Join us!  
10:00 AM  CFF  
11:00 AM  Mass  
5:30 PM  Mass

**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  Lenten Study Group on Poverty

**Wednesday**

7:00 AM  Daily Mass

**Thursday**

7:00 AM  Mass  
7:00 PM  Bible Study on Matthew

**Friday**

7:00 AM  Mass  
11:00 AM  Stations of the Cross  
7:00 PM  Stabat Mater Concert

**Saturday**

3:30 PM  Weekly Reconciliation  
5:00 PM  Vigil Mass

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*For additional information about these or any other upcoming events, please visit our website at www.stjosephparish.org or call the Parish Center at (206) 324-2522.*
St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: Grateful for the recovery of Grey and the prayers of St. Joseph Parish for him . . . For Christy whose back is out of alignment . . . For those preparing to do their taxes . . . For travelers who are driving along the passes . . . For Jackson to be located . . . For Shay’s wellbeing.

“The water I shall give will become . . . A spring of water welling up to eternal life.”
~John 4:14

RIP
Richard Ricks, beloved father of Carol Kraft, who passed away.

Stations Of The Cross
Join us to pray in the footsteps of Jesus on Friday, March 24th at 11:00 am in the church. Let’s pray together the Stations of the Cross.

Stabat Mater Concert
March 24, 2017 - 7pm, St. Joseph Church
Free will offering
A Lenten Devotion Featuring Pergolesi’s Musical Setting of the Stabat Mater
Madeline Bersamina, soprano
Erin Calata, mezzo soprano
Matthew Samalek, organ

We encounter Fernando in El Salvador where, despite a lack of economic opportunity, youth are pursuing their dreams of building businesses to better the lives of their families. How have you worked to better the lives of others this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.
Seniors On The Go

Thursday, March 23rd - Seniors outing to Poulsbo and Clearwater Casino, call Renee to join us 206.324.2522 ext 100.

Friday, April 7th - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am followed by a Lenten lunch in the Parish Center. Come early at 11:00 am and join us in praying the Stations of the Cross.

Men’s Ministry
Please join us for a Lenten Home Mass & Potluck
Friday April 7th - 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm
At the home of Jim McAteer
2109 East Crescent Dr
206-325-2698

Our presider will be Fr. John Whitney, SJ. Vegetarian lasagna provided. Everyone invited to bring a salad, appetizer, bread, dessert and beverage of choice to share. Please RSVP. For information, email or call Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 965-1646.

Yoga Cancelled
There will be no yoga on March 21st, it will resume on March 28th at 7 pm. Join us!

Ceili Go raibh maith agaibh
Thank you all! Last weekend’s Ceili was a great time to gather with our community and celebrate! Thank you to all those who helped make the evening such a success! A special thank you to our dancers from the Tara Academy of Irish Dance, to Mud McHugh with Classic Catering and to our musicians, Mooncoyne. We would also like to thank Peter Johnson, Fred Andrews, our amazing Facilities Crew, Bill Sauvage, Paul McShane and all of our lovely volunteers who came to serve dinner, pour drinks, sell raffle tickets and help us clean up after the fun!

Agape Trip 2017
Are you a middle school student or a parent of a middle schooler? Have you heard of the Agape Service project and always wanted to go? Agape Service project is a one week long service immersion trip for current 5th-8th graders. It is held in Whatcom County and organized through Western Washington University’s Newman Center. This year’s trip will begin Sunday, July 30th and end Friday afternoon, August 4th. For an application or more information, contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org

CFF2 Workshop
Don’t forget the CFF2 First Eucharist workshop at 9 am on Saturday, March 25th. At least one parent must attend with communicant. Any questions, Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206.965.1652.

Our Local Church

Black Catholic Advisory Council of the Archdiocese of Seattle

Please join us for a Listening Session at St. Paul’s Catholic Church on March 22nd at 6 pm. In preparation for the National Black Catholic Congress XII in Orlando, Florida. For more information visit http://www.nbcccongress.org

Peronteau Club

Morning of Reflection with Fr. Tom Lucas, S.J.
March 21, 2017 - 9:30 am to 1:30 pm
Includes Retreat, Mass and Lunch
Campion Hall, Seattle University
All guests are welcome, $15.00
NO LONGER STRANGERS

A SERVICE OF PRAYER & SACRAMENTAL RECONCILIATION

So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the holy ones and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the capstone.

-Ephesians 2:19-20-

NOON - 4:00 PM
1 APRIL 2017
ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
St. Joseph Adult Faith Formation Presents:

Reading Matthew

Thursdays
March 23, 30 & April 6
St. Joseph Parish Center
Arrupe Room
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

This is a three week series, facilitated by Fr. John Whitney, SJ who will lead us on an in depth look at the major themes of the Gospel of Matthew.

Week I: The Gospel of the Kingdom of Heaven

Week II: The New Law

Week III: The Passion & Resurrection

For more information or questions please contact Theresa Lukasik

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Blood Drive

Every week Bloodworks Northwest collects about 4,500 blood donations. That’s equivalent to enough donors to fill 14 Boeing 747s! This March, Spring into Action by giving blood at your upcoming blood drive!

You are now eligible to donate!
March 27, 2017
St. Joseph Church Parish Center
732 18th Ave E Seattle, WA 98112
1PM to 7PM
(closed 3PM - 4PM)

To make an appointment, please email Renee Leet at rleet@stjosephparish.org
For questions about eligibility, please call 800-398-7888

Who Is My Neighbor?

LENTEN STUDY GROUP
The Face of Poverty in Washington State

This past November the Catholic Bishops from our state released a Pastoral Letter inviting all Catholics to reflect on poverty and the disturbing trend that more and more Americans are living in poverty. In the words of Pope Francis “I want a Church which is poor and for the poor. They have much to teach us… We need to let ourselves be evangelized by them.” You can download the letter and access the accompanying video by going to www.thewssc.org

The Intercommunion Peace and Justice Center (IPJC) has created a three week study guide for parishes to use. We are offering a group on three consecutive Tuesday nights March 21, 28 & April 4th from 7:00 – 9:00 pm in the Parish Center. To register or for more info please contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org