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They Recognized Him In the Breaking of the Bread

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-Luke 24: 30-31a-

When I was just 8 years old, I got to go on a fishing trip with my brothers and father for the first time. I was excited to be there, and on the first morning I went out into the woods with my little ax to chop some firewood. As I was chopping—swinging the ax from the top of my head to the piece of wood between my feet—I missed, and the ax swung into the top of my tennis shoe. When I took off my shoe, my sock was soaked in blood and I had to limp back to camp where I bandaged the wound quickly, before my dad and brothers got up. I still have the scar on the top of my right foot.

A few years later, when I was in high school, I was working as a cook at a pizza parlor—the Village Host. One day, I was pushing the dough through one of these big machines where the metal rollers would slowly crush it out to the proper thickness. As I pushed the dough through at just the right width, my fingers got caught in the rollers and managed to go in past the first knuckle before I turned off the machine. In the hospital emergency room, a few minutes later, I remember wondering what the pink liquid was that I was soaking my hand in, only to find out it wasn't pink when I started. I still have that scar, too.

But not all of my scars are quite so obvious. There are also the scars I carry that no one sees—at least not directly. There are the scars left by failed relationships and lost friendships; the scars created by my own fear of failure and my own unwillingness to risk and to love. There are scars scratched into my heart from days and nights spent at the bedside of my sister, and the great scar, made when I said goodbye to my father for the last time. There are scars that come from circumstance, and scars that come from sin, but all leave their mark and all make me, for better or worse, who I am.

A part of me would love to be rid of the scars—to forget all the painful past and start again as a new creation. And sometimes I have thought that this is what resurrection will be—no more scars, all the mistakes and all the pain forgiven and forgotten. What a wonderful salvation it seems—to no longer be the me of failure and loss, but instead to be . . . and here I stop. For who am I, apart from all these scars, these marks that—like sacraments—manifest the stories of my life? Who is John Whitney if he is not, at least in part, the one who carries this scar; the one who failed in that relationship; the one who feels the ache of his sister’s death, or who knows the void left by a friend he could not save? If salvation is the forgetting of all our scars and failures, can it really be the remembering of us? If God forgives and forgets, won’t only a part of our lives be redeemed?

In the resurrection of Jesus, however, we come to know not a God who removes all our scars, not a God who forgives and forgets, but something far more wondrous: a God who forgives and remembers—a God who takes every story of failure and hurt that has made...
It is easy today to become like the disciples on the road to Emmaus: to become filled with despair and cast down by cynicism. The old scars continue to ache: scars of war and violence, of poverty and racism, of sexual exploitation and the abuse of children, of sin and fear and selfishness. In the waters of the Mediterranean, children drown on their way to a Europe that will not welcome them. Our nation sends missiles as a show of strength, but refuses the refuge that those who have suffered most need. In Arkansas, the governor rushes to kill as many prisoners as possible, before the poison his state uses expires; while those who seek to defend life in all its forms are exiled from their own political party. Even in the Church, the wounds of self-righteousness and fear keep believers from the table of Christ and from ministry to God’s people. In all this, it can be tempting to withdraw to our own villages, where we can forget the scars and nurse our sorrows.

Yet, to give way to this temptation is to be blind to Christ Jesus, who continues to walk among us, continues to open the Scriptures, continues to call us to the fullness of life.

“I believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.”

With these words, throughout the Easter season, we renew our baptismal promises and proclaim our faith that everything in our lives—including the many scars that mark us and mark our world—will be redeemed in the grace of God’s love, alive in us. And while we don’t claim that all our mistakes will vanish at the end of Mass—that all our F’s will turn to A’s, all our sorrows turn instantly to joy—we do affirm that each moment of our lives is unfolding in grace: a grace that promises the redemption of all that we are and the resurrection of all our broken world. This grace, born of wounds as well as victories, calls us to action and to trust: to faith that on every road we run-down we will find “Jesus, the crucified one” who has been raised for us. It calls us to recognize Jesus, who brings us to communion with one another and with God, and “re-members” our lives—as we remember his—through the breaking of the bread. Let us then act with the freedom of Christ, knowing that God has not forgotten this broken world, but has redeemed it—is redeeming it—through the resurrection of “Jesus, the crucified one,” our companion on the road of sorrows and at the table of new life.

Baptism Families

Please join us in praying for the families having children baptized this weekend: the Buggia family, the Carver family, the Clark family, the Klein family, the Kopy family, the Mullally family, the Scott family, the Spadaccini family, the Tran family, the Trentalange family, the Van Slyke family, and the Wolf family.
Third Sunday of Easter

Prelude

(9) Easter Introit

Proulx

Alleluia, Alleluia! The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. Alleluia!

Entrance Song

(5&11) Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Wesley

1. Christ the Lord is ris’ning to-day, Al-le-ia!
2. Lives again our glorious King; Al-le-ia!
3. Love’s redeeming work is done, Al-le-ia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al-le-ia!

Alleluia! All on earth with angels say,
Alleluia! Where, O death, is now your sting?
Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won.
Alleluia! Fol-l’wing our ex-alt-ed head;

Alleluia! Raise your joys and
Alleluia! Once he died our
Alleluia! Death in vain for
Alleluia! Made like him, like

Triumphs high,
Souls to save,
Bids him rise;
Him we rise,

Sing, O heav’ns, and earth reply,
Where your victory, O grave!
Christ has opened paradise.
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

(5:30) Surrexit Christus

Taize

Women on odd verses, men on even verses

Surrexit Christus, alleluia!
Can-ta-te Do-mi-no, alleluia!
**First Reading**

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and proclaimed: "You who are Jews, indeed all of you staying in Jerusalem. Let this be known to you, and listen to my words. You who are Israelites, hear these words. Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God with mighty deeds, wonders, and signs, which God worked through him in your midst, as you yourselves know. This man, delivered up by the set plan and foreknowledge of God, you killed, using lawless men to crucify him. But God raised him up, releasing him from the throes of death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it. For David says of him:

I saw the Lord ever before me, with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed. Therefore my heart has been glad and my tongue has exulted; my flesh, too, will dwell in hope, because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your holy one to see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.

"My brothers, one can confidently say to you about the patriarch David that he died and was buried, and his tomb is in our midst to this day. But since he was a prophet and knew that God had sworn an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that neither was he abandoned to the netherworld nor did his flesh see corruption. God raised this Jesus; of this we are all witnesses. Exalted at the right hand of God, he received the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father and poured him forth, as you see and hear."

**Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 16

You will show me the path of life, you, my hope and my shelter;
In your presence is endless joy, at your side is my home forever.
Second Reading
Beloved: If you invoke as Father him who judges impartially according to each one’s works, conduct yourselves with reverence during the time of your sojourning, realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb. He was known before the foundation of the world but revealed in the final time for you, who through him believe in God who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Gospel Acclamation

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Baptismal Acclamation  
(5,9&11) Alleluia Vulpius

Offertory Song  
In the Breaking of the Bread Hurd
Holy, Holy, Holy

Storrington Mass
Haugen

Mystery of Faith

Great Amen

Lamb of 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

(9) Be Known To Us, Lord Jesus

Schalk

Now We Remain #694

Haas

Take and Eat #831

Joncas

Recessional

(9) This Is The Day

Roberts

(5:30) Surrexit Dominus Vere
**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 Yoga

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

**Thursday**
- 7:00 AM Mass

**Friday**
- 7:00 AM Mass

**Saturday**
- 3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation
- 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

For additional information about these or any other upcoming events, please visit our website at [www.stjosephparish.org](http://www.stjosephparish.org) or call the Parish Center at (206) 324-2522.

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**POPE-POURRI**

_A selection from Pope Francis General Audience on 19 April 2017_

How beautiful it is to think that Christianity is essentially this! It is not so much our search for God — a search which in truth is tenuous —, but rather God’s search for us. Jesus took us, grasped us, won us over, never more to leave us. Christianity is grace. It is surprise and, for this reason, it implies a heart that is capable of amazement. A closed heart, a rationalist heart is incapable of amazement and cannot understand what Christianity is because Christianity is grace, and grace can only be perceived, and furthermore, it happens in the amazement of the encounter.

So, even if we are sinners — we all are —, if our good intentions are only “on paper”, or if on appraising our life we realize we have accumulated many failures..., on Easter morning, we can be like those people of whom the Gospel speaks: going to the Sepulchre of Christ, seeing the large overturned stone and thinking that God is preparing an unexpected future for them and for all of us; going to our sepulchre: we all have some of this inside us. To go there and see how God is capable of rising again from there. Here, there is happiness; there is joy and life, where everyone thought there was only sadness, defeat and darkness. God makes His most beautiful flowers grow in the midst of the most arid of stones.

To be Christian means not starting from death, but rather, from God’s love for us which has defeated our most bitter enemy. God is greater than nothingness, and a lit candle is enough to overcome the darkest of nights. Echoing the prophets, Paul cries, “O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?”(v. 55). We carry this cry in our heart in these days of Easter. And if they should ask the reason for the smile we give and our patient readiness to share, then we will be able to answer that Jesus is still here, that he continues to be alive among us, that Jesus is here, in the Square, with us: Alive and Risen.

~Pope Francis
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**CHURCH AND PARISH CENTER NEEDS**

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Questions or for more information please contact Tina at tinao@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965-1654.
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Repair of the St. Cecelia and Coronation of Mary Stained Glass Windows

These beautiful works of art are two of the most visible, valuable, and beloved components of our house of worship: the St. Cecelia rose window, a hallmark of the main church entry on 18th Avenue, and the Coronation of Mary window situated above the Mary mosaic in the northeast corner of the church and visible from 19th Avenue.

Pieces of colored glass in the window are currently very vulnerable, due to lack of adequate support bars and the failing lead connecting strips and solder joints. To preserve the windows, they need to be removed and taken to a professional studio, where they will be re-leaded with new strips and new solder joints. The window sashes will be inspected, scraped, painted, and fixed. New properly vented protective glass will be installed on the exterior side of the windows.

Estimated Cost for Repair: $250,000
Painting and Restoration of Church Exterior

The Church was last painted 25 years ago and without the protection of a new coat of paint, the exterior walls will erode, resulting in very expensive damage. Cleaning, repairing, and restoring of terra cotta joints is also clearly needed, as well as the removal and replacement of failed caulk at windows, and attention to the 5 spots in the roof that leak. Painting a church as large as ours is no easy task. Scaffolding must be installed so workers can safely reach the highest points (10 stories up on 19th Ave). As with any paint job, old paint will need to be scraped, walls repaired where needed, and prepped for painting.

Estimated Cost: $1,095,000

Repair of Bell Tower Roof Membrane and Lighting

The Project: While the Bell Tower itself was structurally reinforced during the centennial campaign, we now need to address several issues. Torch down roofing needs to be replaced, access points need to be made safe, and the lighting of the tower needs attention.

Estimated Cost: $100,000
Replace Outdated Boiler Controls

**The Project:** We need to replace outdated boiler control systems and air draft dampers, original building fans need new bearings, we need to add new steam valves for increased energy efficiency and ability to heat or cool specific areas within the system, and we need to replace or repair radiators in the Church classrooms.  

**Estimated Cost: $100,000**

Replace the Parish Bus

Our parish bus is used nearly every day. From providing transportation for seniors to and from Mass, to senior and youth group outings, to CYO sport teams, to transporting homeless men to our overflow shelter nights October through April, we rely heavily on our bus. Our current bus is a 15-seat 1999 Chevy Express which has increasingly had mechanical issues which require frequent repairs.  

**Estimated Cost: $60,000 – used; $90,000 – new**

**Total Estimated Cost for Phase One:**  

$1,605,000

To make your gift, please use the designated envelopes found in the pews, or go to our website www.stjosephparish.org and click on the “Paint & Repair St. Joseph” picture link. For more information please contact our Director of Advancement, Tina O’Brien at tinao@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965-1654.
**Chief Seattle Club**

“To provide a sacred space to nurture, affirm and renew the spirit of urban Native Peoples” Five days a week, we offer a place where urban American Indians and Alaska Natives, many of whom are homeless and low-income, can join to share a common meal, speak their own languages, access social services, and find peace, without fear of public censure or discrimination.

410 2nd Ave Ext South Seattle 98104  206-292-6214  
http://www.chiefseattleclub.org/  
2-5 volunteers needed Ages 18 and older

Helping with setting up an office area including light cleaning and moving furniture. Snacks provided. Dress for cleaning, supplies provided. Brown Bag Lunch

Friday, May 19th  9:00 am – Noon  
Jubilee Women’s Center

Providing safe, affordable and supportive community housing and services for women since 1983 Jubilee serves nearly 1,500 low-income women in the community with classes on technology, life skills and job readiness, community referrals, an open computer lab and free clothing boutique.

620 18th Ave E Seattle, WA 98112,  206-324-1244  
http://jwcenter.org  
6-12 volunteers needed Ages 21 and older

Dress comfortably and for the weather. Water and snacks provided. Bringing gardening gloves and tools (brooms, trowels, shovels etc optional but encouraged.)

**Peace for the Streets by Kids from the Streets**

We exist to support homeless and at-risk youth and young adults to become empowered to lead positive and self-sufficient lives. Our philosophy and practice of inclusion has allowed us to develop low access barriers to engage young people who are at risk of falling through gaps in community services.

1609 19th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122  206-726-8500  
Ext 111  http://www.psks.org/  
6-10 Volunteers needed ages 13 and older (minors must be accompanied by adult)

Volunteers to make lunch for HYPE drop-in center and volunteers to help beautify our grounds (pulling weeds, planting flowers & some clean up). Dress to get dirty and bring gardening tools if you have them. Brown Bag Lunch

Saturday, May 20th  9:00 am – 1:00 pm  
St. Francis House

St. Francis House is established in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi to be a presence in Seattle to serve those in need and to inspire simplicity and charity in its volunteers and those they serve. We serve hundreds of people each week, Monday through Friday. No one is turned away. Everything that is donated to us is given away, free of charge, no questions asked. We are the ultimate recycling center. All of the food is donated – some of it by area hospitals and the rest by individual volunteers, school children, and families who prepare homemade sandwiches and sack lunches. Orders are then filled for those people who need clothing, hygiene kits, bedding, household items, furniture, food or other items given by St. Francis House donors.

169 12th Ave 98122  206-621-0945  
www.stfrancishouseseattle.org/  
10 - 15 Volunteers - Children over 5 accompanied by adult

Spring cleaning inside and out, yard work, gardening, work in clothing room. Bring work gloves, general yard & outdoor tools and cleaning supplies for inside.
Saturday, May 20th  10:00 am to 1:00 pm
L’Arche Noah Sealth

The Mission of L’Arche is: To make known the gifts of people with developmental disabilities, revealed through mutually transforming relationships. To engage in our diverse cultures, working together toward a more humane society. To foster community that is inspired by the core values in our founding story and responds to the changing needs of our members.

1425 E Ward St., Seattle, 98112, 206-325-9434
http://www.larcheseattle.org/

4 – 6 Volunteers needed, children over 8 if accompanied by parent. We will be repainting our deck and our wheelchair accessible ramp. If weather is not conducive to painting, we will be laying patio pavers and doing a deep clean of the house. Dress in painting clothes and for outdoor work. Snacks and drinks provided.

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Saturday, May 20th  9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity Seattle-King County: The vision of all Habitat for Humanity organizations around the world is “a world where everyone has a decent place to live.” Habitat for Humanity’s role in realizing that vision is expressed in its mission: “Seeking to put God’s love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope.”

Work Site address is: 121 Skinner Road N. Pacific Wa.
http://www.habitatskc.org/ 5-13 Volunteers needed
Ages 16 and older (16-17 must be accompanied by an adult)

This project is located in the city of Pacific (south of Auburn) next to the Sounder Train tracks. The property is being designed as a Veteran’s focused community with nine accessible single story homes. Work will relate to construction of a home and could involve anything from digging ditches to installing floors or raising walls, depending on the need of the day. A range of abilities can be accommodated. Habitat will provide all the tools and safety equipment required. Please be aware that open toed shoes, shorts and cut-off shirts are forbidden. Brown Bag lunch. Refrigerator on site.

Saturday, May 20th  9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Pregnancy & Parenting Support: Catholic Community Service

The primary focus of the Pregnancy and Parenting Support Program is to assist pregnant and newly parenting women, the fathers of the babies, their families and significant others in creating a plan for the unborn child and addressing the pertinent issues integral to making the plan work. We support new mothers and significant others in locating sought after resources, creating new opportunities, and forming positive environments for themselves through careful assessments and evaluations.

4250 South Mead Street, Seattle 98118 (St Edward Parish, Old rectory) 206-725-2090
http://www.ccsww.org/site/PageServer?pagename=families_pregnancysupport

6-10 Volunteers needed ages 8 and above (parent must be with child if minor) We need 1-2 folks who have a truck for hauling items!

Sort and organize donations, haul away unusable furniture/items; rearrange furniture, bag diapers/wipes, print/cut fold flyers & brochures. Volunteers should wear comfortable clothes and bring garden tools Brown Bag Lunch.

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Service Days Sign-up
Visit our website:
www.stjosephparish.org
Join us in service and in celebration!

**Service Days**
Friday, May 19th & Saturday, May 20th

**Community Dinner**
Saturday, May 20th, 6 pm, Social Hall

Visit our website [www.stjosephparish.org](http://www.stjosephparish.org) to sign up!

Please RSVP for the dinner too!

Celebration includes: Karaoke, Photo Booth & Food Trucks
**Women's Ministry**

**MOM’s Group**

We invite you to refresh & reconnect with other blessed moms! New topic each session. CHILDCARE AVAILABLE! **Meet in the Social Hall on Sundays:** May 21, May 28, June 4, & June 11 from 10:15 am until 11:45. Fee $30-$40. Please contact stevew@stjo-sephparish.org or denise@cassidyhome.com for more information.

**Fall Retreat - Save the Date**
September 29 & 30 (new dates)
“Sweet Life Cafe”: a Stay-Treat at St. Joseph Parish Center

**Seniors On The Go**

**Friday, May 5th** - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.

**Tuesday, May 23rd** - Seniors outing, a visit to MOHAI (Museum of History & Industry). 10 am – 4pm, Cost $10.00 admission, Lunch on your own. Must sign-up and pre-pay by Friday May 19th by emailing Renee at rleet@stjosephparish.org or call (206) 324-2522. Space is limited to 20.

**Young Adult Ministry Social**

Board games, Pizza, Bevies, Good Company.

Join us **after the 5 pm Mass on Saturday, May 6th** for our monthly social where you’ll be anything but bored. We’ll have some classics like Settlers of Catan, Ticket to Ride, and card games as well as some newer games to knock your socks off! Competition not your thing? Come try out the cooperative game Pandemic. Did the Easter bunny leave a new game in your basket? Feel free to bring it along. We’ll be providing pizza, salad, and beverages. Suggested donation $10.

**Attention Young Adults (21-35)**

Please join us for our quarterly planning meeting, **Monday, May 22nd at 7-8:30 pm in the Parish Center.**

Our goal is to plan out events for the next three months (June – August) Upcoming events include “Stump the Priest” Social on June 4th, Mariners Fireworks game on June 23rd and our St. Joseph Young Adult Summer League Softball Team. Bring your ideas and feel free to invite a friend. Snacks will be provided. For more details contact Deacon Steve at (206) 965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

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**Welcome to St. Joseph!**

If you are a newcomer to the parish, please join us for our **NEWCOMERS MEET, GREET & EAT Gathering.**

**Tuesday, May 2nd - 6:00 – 8:00 pm**
Parish Center
Food and Drink provided!

Come meet the Parish Staff, your fellow new parishioners and learn about how to get involved in the parish.

To RSVP please contact Caprice at 206-965-1642 or caprices@stjosephparish.org

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**MERCY WELCOMES EVERYONE**
Men’s Ministry Planning Meeting
Wednesday May 17th - 7:00 – 8:30 pm - Parish Center

The purpose is to map out a plan for what events and retreats St. Joseph’s Men’s Ministry wants to sponsor/host in the coming year. We are hoping for a mix of old-timers as well as those totally new to both the parish and Men’s Ministry. One of our goals is to broaden the participation of our Men’s Ministry activities to include newer and younger men. 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? If you are interested in coming, please contact Deacon Steve at stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

Hope and Healing Group
Join us for our May Social at Bottlehouse Seattle, 1416 34th AVE. Saturday, May 13th from 3:00 to 6:00 PM

“Tis the month of our Mother Mary”, what more fitting way to build community and fellowship than over wine at our “Wedding at Cana” inspired social. Join us this Mother’s Day weekend, bring your mom or just yourself and kick back and relax with wine and good people.

Easter Yoga Series
Celebrate the joy of the Resurrection in motion! Join us for a 6 week Easter Yoga Series in which we will practice an hour of yoga and reflect on a different psalm each week. Classes will be held in the Mother Teresa room of the parish center on Tuesday nights from 7 to 8 PM. This yoga practice is accessible to all levels- beginners welcome! Mats are available. Contact Kaitlyn O’Leary at kaitlyn.m.oleary@gmail.com with questions.

Summer Music Enrichment Camp at St. Joseph Church
When: 10 am-3 pm, June 26-30, 2017 - Where: Parish Center, Arrupe Room

What: Designed for students entering 2nd through 5th grade, this camp will build musical skills AND community! All rising 2nd through 5th graders are invited to join Madeline Bersamina for a week of choral singing, music basics, group games, and fun. The week will culminate with students sharing some of their songs learned at the 9:30 am mass on Sunday, July 2nd.

Tuition: $250 before May 15; $275 after May 15.

Registration: OPEN NOW! Secure a spot by registering online at madeline.musicteachershelper.com. A $100 deposit will be due by May 31st and payment is due in full by June 15th. There are a maximum of 20 spots available, so don't delay!

For more information: contact Madeline Bersamina at mbiddle@gmail.com
3 Opportunities For Prayer This Week

**Monday, May 1st at 7 pm.** There are two prayer groups meeting at St. Joseph on Monday night. Join our Sacred Silence prayer group in the church (doors are locked at 7) or come pray the Rosary in the Parish Center Chapel.

**Thursday, May 4th at 7 pm.** Join the Choose Life Ministry for a Rosary with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, in the Loyola Chapel of the Parish Center. Refreshments to follow. All are welcome!

Children’s Choir

The newly-forming children’s choir will sing at the 9:00 am Mass on Sunday, May 14th. Would your child like to join? Rehearsals are Wednesday, May 3rd at 5:30 in the Arrupe Room (pizza party to follow) and Wednesday, May 10th in the Church. Children will also need to arrive early to Mass on May 14th. All children are welcome, as long as they are able to focus on singing through rehearsals and Mass parents of younger kids may need to sit with them and help them through the music. To sign up or for more information, please contact Jen Tilghman-Havens by Friday April 28th at j.tilghmanhavens@gmail.com

Rosary Honoring the 100th Anniversary of the Fatima Marian Apparitions

We are living in troubling times when prayers for God’s guidance are needed. The Rosary has nourished the faith of many Catholics and Christians. Pope Francis has encouraged us to pray the Rosary as a way to meditate on the lives of Jesus and Mary. May 13th is the 100th Anniversary of Blessed Mother’s appearance to three children in Fatima, Portugal where she urged the world to pray the Rosary daily. If you would like to learn how to pray this powerful prayer please join us **Monday, May 8th at 7:00 pm in the Church.** Rosaries will be provided. Refreshments and conversation after.

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Jim, that he has help in making a critical health decision. For Andy and Susan and all who have health concerns, may they endure with wisdom and strength, as they come to a place of healing. And may this beautiful time of year fill our hearts with the hope and joy of the Holy Spirit.

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Spirit.”

**Romans 15:13**

Thank You

Eikharisto! That’s Greek for “Thank you.” You often hear me mention in the bulletin that the word “Eucharist” is a Greek word that means something akin to “work of the people.” Liturgists often lean on this notion to open a window onto the understanding of our liturgy (the mass) as something that we do together, something that requires all of us working together in unison: traveling to be present, walking in procession, praying, singing, listening, being attentive, giving and receiving all that we’re carrying in our hearts, minds and bodies that day. Sufﬁce to say, liturgy is NOT a spectator sport.

Just a last week we celebrated the Sacred Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday and if there were ever a liturgy where the notion of the “work of the people” is normative, this is it! So many people gave so much time and effort in large and small ways to celebrate the Triduum well. I want to take this column today to say thank you...

To the ushers who came early and stayed late, welcomed us with a smile, made sure we had everything we needed (candles, songsheets, etc) moved chairs, cleaned up after us...showed us the Way of Hospitality. To all the ushers and their team captain Bruce Mirkin, “Gracias!”

To the lectors who proclaimed God’s word in or midst with clear, strong voices and took the time to come to rehearsals, to pray over and study the readings so that, when they stood up in the midst of the assembly to proclaim the word, they weren’t just reading words on a page, but breaking it open for all to hear, possibly in a new way. To all the lectors, under the leadership of lector captain Jennifer Olegario, “Ahsante sanah!”
Liturgical and Worship

To the Eucharistic ministers who served with reverence the blessed bread and wine, Christ's body and blood to the entire community. Who helped to strip the altar on Holy Thursday and Good Friday, to set the table for the Eucharistic feast each day. A special thanks to EM captain Mary Sepulveda who quietly spent many hours behind the scenes recruiting and preparing large teams of Eucharistic ministers, making sure everyone knew where to go and what to do...no easy task since there are so many unique "once a year" moments during the Triduum. To Mary Sepulveda and all of the Eucharistic Ministers: "Grazie!"

To our young altar servers who mustered the courage to sit up front and serve at the altar, carrying out a dizzying array of tasks, who came to practice after school, came early to mass, and served in a very public role with grace and fortitude (no easy task for these long Triduum liturgies!) To our altar servers: "Gratias!"

To the choir who practiced for many, many weeks 2½ hours every Thursday night and sang the Triduum AND mass on Easter Sunday! Theirs is an immense commitment of time and energy, and with strong faith and good cheer they helped all our spirits to soar through sung prayer for all the days. And to the 5:30 contemplative music ensemble who beautifully sang the Holy Thursday mass for the first time in recent memory. To the choir, the 5:30 musicians and to our parish organist/pianist Matthew Samelak: "Merci Beacoup!"

Thanks to our parish sacristan Dan Tobin who made sure we had all the "things" we needed to celebrate: wood for the fire, bowls, pitchers and towels to wash feet, candles, hosts, incense, charcoal, tapers with Dixie cups! To those who helped to decorate the church: Julie Olsen our parish Artist in Residence who created the gorgeous Easter banners, Alex from Flowers on 15th, Dan Tobin and our parish manager Rebecca Frisino and, of course, Fr. John for his delicate touch throughout the church. Thanks, too, to parishioners who responded to the invitation to facilitate the footwashing on Holy Thursday and to Dottie Farewell who organized and rehearsed them. To our parish receptionist Renee Leet who ran off a gazillion programs and did whatever needed to be done with good cheer and our bookkeeper Caprice Sauter who managed the church calendar so that everyone had time and space to rehearse and people didn’t bump into each other...at least not too often! To all of these: "Go raibh maith agat!"

Thanks, of course, to Fr. John and Fr. Julian and Deacon Steve for leading us through these days and for preaching words of comfort, challenge and inspiration day after day. A special thanks, too, to Tricia Trainer for opening the word on Good Friday. To Frs. John and Julian and Deacon Steve and Tricia Trainer: "Dankeschön!"

And, of course, a final thank you to our neophytes, those baptized, received and/or confirmed who responded to the movement of God in their lives and stood up in the midst of the assembly and said: "YES." We are all blessed and inspired by your "yes." "Thank you, thank you, thank you!"

As St. Augustine said, "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!" May our song resonate throughout this season of Easter and on to Pentecost!

Faith Justice

"Janice" is on edge because she lives on the edge. A nervous disorder serious enough so that she cannot work very much, ever-present emotional distress caused by worry over rent, food and most of all medical bills, these combine to keep this soft-spoken woman on the edge of society.

Fortunately, she lives in a nice Seattle Housing Authority building. Neighbors are friendly but she has no family here—at least none that she mentioned to our St. Vincent de Paul Society volunteers who visited her. Doctors had prescribed a large number of medicines and she needed to replenish some. And she needed food.

It is a matter of policy that, barring emergent circumstances, we normally do not provide medicines. To stretch what little money she had left for the month, we provided help with food and a utility bill so that she could buy the medicine she needed on her own.

Your donations make this kind of help possible and it really makes a difference. To the best of our knowledge, this was the only time she sought help from the St. Vincent de Paul Conference at St. Joseph Parish.

Save The Date

St. Vincent de Paul’s fourth annual Blue Dress Breakfast will be Wednesday, May 3, 2017, 7:30 am at the Campion Ballroom at Seattle University. Mark your calendars you will not want to miss it!
Online Bible Study is reflections written by parishioners for our parishioners based on weekly lectionary readings. This is a great way to feel connected to our community through communal reflection. It is self-directed at a time convenient to you. Studying and praying with the Bible allows you to bring Christ alive in your head and heart.

https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.wordpress.com/

The Road After Emmaus

Tuesday: May 9, 16, 23 | 7:00-8:30 pm

Arrupe Room

This is a 3 week series intended to engage our newly baptized and confirmed, but we are asking the community to journey with them in Easter Joy. Let their Easter Fire ignite all of our hearts with renewed passion, love, and mission.

May 9: Finding God in All Things,
by Theresa Lukasik

May 16: Prayer: Relationship with God,
by Sue Grady

May 23: Mission & Discipleship,
by Steve Wodzanowski

For more information please contact Theresa Lukasik
theresal@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1651
“Nevertheless she persisted”
Women Who Said Yes to Their Call
Arrupe Room
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

This is a five week co-ed series, exploring the contribution of women to the church throughout the centuries beginning with the New Testament until today.

May 4: Women of the Gospel & Early Church, by Theresa Lukasik
May 11: Mystics & Doctors, by Rebecca Brown
May 18: Beguines & Unknown Saints, by Sue Grady
May 25: 19th & 20th Century Women, by Rebecca Brown & Victoria Selser
June 1: Women Today, panel including Victoria Ries & Susan Decker

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