

St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

"Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me!"



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 21, 2017

Reflection This Week: Amanda Baumgartner Reflection Next Week: Sylvia Flores

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

Readings for May 28, 2017

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11
Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

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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Seeking God in All Things

It is a mark of the evil spirit to assume the appearance of an angel of light. He begins by suggesting thoughts that are suited to a devout soul, and ends by suggesting his own...

Again, it may end in what weakens the soul, or disquiets it; or by destroying the peace, tranquility, and quiet which it had before, it may cause disturbance to the soul.

These things are a clear sign that the thoughts are proceeding from the evil spirit, the enemy of our progress and eternal salvation.

-St. Ignatius of Loyola, Sp.Ex. 332-333-

Though I have tried to hide it, I must confess: I have been pretty grumpy, these last few weeks. And I realize now, this feeling is more than the weather, or the news, or too much work, or the end of the school year, or even my body's increasing decrepitude. No. What is at work here may involve all of those things, but it is something deeper, something in my soul: the subtle whisperings of that dark spirit I have known for much of my life.

For many of us, I know, the mention of "the dark spirit" conjures up images of Satan in his red tights with his pointy tail, horns and pitchfork at the ready. Such an idea of a personal force of evil may seem a laughable anachronism, part of the medieval superstition, which we are far too sophisticated to believe. And yet . . . even if one denies the notion of a personal tempter (which, based on my own experience, I do not), or if one sees Satan as mere allegory, it is hard to deny the psychological experience of temptation and the subsequent experience of desolation. It is hard to deny how often we seem to move in directions we do not desire, or fail to move in directions that we wish we would. Whether it is a psychological phenomenon or a personal presence, the dark spirit moves in us and seems to be, as Ignatius calls it, "the enemy of our human nature."

When I was a young man, I recall the temptations that used to assault me: temptations to avarice or anger, to lying or cheating, to lust or drunkenness, to pride or cruelty. Indeed, while sloth never seemed attractive to me, the other deadly sins seemed to take turns assaulting my conscience, leading me in ways I did not wish to go. More than a few times I found myself, despondent and disheartened, in line for the confessional, wondering why I kept doing these things that made me feel so bad, and praying the words of the tax collector in the parable: "Oh Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner." In those days, the dark spirit came to me in ways that were loud and obvious, like water splashing on a stone (to use one of St. Ignatius' images). And though I did not always have the moral strength or courage to avoid these temptations, the darkness they carried seemed obvious to me, and the guilt and shame that followed my sinning was grace enough to lead me to repentance (if not always enough to prevent me from falling again).

These days, however, after 34 years in the Jesuits, when age and (I hope) wisdom make the old temptations less attractive, I have found myself pursued by a quieter darkness, a more subtle and pernicious spirit. Grounded not in my lusts or passions, this dark spirit works

upon my sense of virtue and my deep desire for good. It comes to me through my disgust at the injustice of the world—e.g., the displacement of refugees, the viciousness of war, the killing of the innocent, the abuse of women and enslavement of children—and through my righteous anger at those who perpetrate such evil-e.g., the venal and egoistic political leaders, who lie and dissemble for their own prurient or prideful ends; or the Church officials, who sit by silently when their words are needed, or who speak only to reiterate rules that alienate women and men from the table of Christ. In these moments, though my disgust and anger may be, as Ignatius says, "suited to a devout soul," there is also, because of my own failure to discern well, a foothold for the dark spirit, a temptation to which I find myself terribly vulnerable. Filled with anger and sorrow—feelings exacerbated by the isolating power of mass media and the dreary darkness of the Seattle winter-I have become, at times, disengaged from the fullness of the world, caught in cycles of rage and despair, in the kind of abstraction that always leads us away from God and deeper into the barren wilderness of ego.

In an era such as ours, when resistance to so many genuine evils summons us to social action and revolutionary zeal, the dark spirit can insinuate itself even in those women and men far advanced in the spiritual life—not by drawing them into the noisier "sins of the flesh" but rather by withdrawing them from the enfleshed reality of those who surround them. Like the so-called "Judaizers" in Acts of the Apostles, who sought to force converts into the righteousness of the Old Covenant, we can become so concerned with the morality of our arguments, with the purity of our principles, that we can fail to see the people whom our principles might effect, fail to recognize the brothers and sisters who—even when they are in error—continue to be worthy of our respect and our love. Whether we embrace the ideologies of Pro-Life or Pro-Choice, the Moral Majority or the ACLU, the Trump resistance or the Trump vanguard, whenever we allow our goodness to become separated from real persons, to become an abstraction, to become an ideology—i.e., whenever we sacrifice the human to the ideal—we embrace a spirit of darkness disguised as a spirit of light, and we are in danger of losing our connection to the Incarnate Christ, who alone offers us hope and resurrection.

Nor is such abstract moral purity limited to the great issues of the day; rather, like any sin, it seeps into our day-to-day existence, staining all our encounters with the ugliness of judgment and stereotyping. Filled with self-righteousness, we mumble to ourselves or yell out at the universe: "Why are these millennials so lazy?" "Why don't these old people learn how to drive?" "Why am I the only one at work who does the hard stuff?" "When will these boomers stop talking about themselves?" And, as we judge and condemn others, we also begin to do the same to ourselves,

as the dark spirit causes us to see only our failure and our inability to live the perfection against which we measure ourselves. Thus, rage is wed to despair, and the "enemy of our progress" seems to gain the field.

Yet, if the mess of this world—both the great world and our own internal neighborhood—offers an opportunity for the dark spirit to thrive, there is a grace at the heart of this world greater than the mess, a light given to all of us in Creation and renewed in each one of us by the redemptive act of Christ's Incarnation. In Jesus, we are reminded that true virtue is never found in ideology and abstraction, but in the complex reality of our human nature: in relationships of compassion and tenderness, of mercy and healing, of respectful disagreement built on human engagement. The "enemy of our human nature" wants us to forget that we are more than ideals and abstractions, that our nature desires—first of all—relationship with God and with our sisters and brothers. To live in the illusion of ideology and self-righteous judgment is not the way to the kingdom of God, but the way to the kingdom of suffering and torture, where others become means by which my ideas are realized, and not persons equal in honor and dignity to myself, and without whom my honor and dignity mean nothing.

This does not mean that we should ignore tyranny and evil; quite the contrary. As Pope Francis notes, we must become active members in a "revolution of tenderness." But, to do so, we must free ourselves from the dark spirit of grumpiness and ideology, of abstract goodness and moral outrage-all the ways in which we reduce our brothers and sisters to objects of judgment, and reduce ourselves to isolated guardians of virtue, doomed to hold this imperfect world in the prison that our thoughts have created. If we want to find freedom and virtue, happiness and love, we must leave behind our abstract ideals and embrace the real women and men who need us and welcome us. We must go to the poor and lonely, to children and the elderly, to all the particular women and men whose lives are made better for our being with them, and who make our lives better by showing us the face of the living God. We must be tender to ourselves—letting go of our pride and finding times for rest and laughter, trusting that God who loved the universe before we existed, will keep loving it even if we sneak in a little nap. We must, in all this, defy the dark spirit by embracing the light given to us, where creation and redemption, conversion and cooperation are manifested in a God made flesh, a God who loves us, and whom we are called to seek in the fullness of this challenging and beautiful world.

John of

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

50 DAYS FOR OUR DELIGHT: FOR CHRIST IS RISEN AS ALL THINGS TELL. GOOD CHRISTIAN, SEE YE RISE AS WELL.



(5:30) Live On In My Love

Live on in my love. Live on in my love, live on in my love.

Psallite



Gloria See Cards In Pews

First Reading

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city.

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm

Let All the Earth





- 1. Cry out in joy to the Lord, all peoples on earth, sing to the praise of God's name, proclaiming forever, 'tremendous your deeds for us.'
- 2. Leading your people safe through fire and water, bringing their souls to life, we sing of your glory, your love is eternal.
- 3. Harken to me as I sing my love of the Lord, who answers the prayer of my heart. God leads me in safety, from death unto life.

Second Reading 1 Peter 3:15-18

Beloved: Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who defame your good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil.

For Christ also suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Haugen



Gospel John 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it neither sees nor knows him. But you know him, because he remains with you, and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

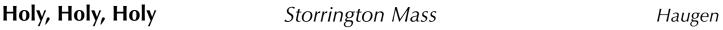


Reflection Amanda Baumgartner

Offertory Song

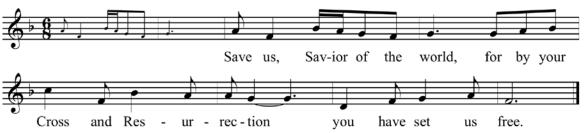
O Breathe On Me, O Breath Of God

ST. COLUMBA/Hatch 1. O O Breath of God, Fill me with life breathe on me, a - new, breathe on O 2. O me, Breath of God, Un - til my heart is pure; O 3. O God, My will breathe on me, Breath of to yours in cline, O 4. O breathe on me, Breath of God, So shall Ι nev die, may love the things you love And do what you would do. my will is one with yours, To do and to en - dure. Un - til this self - ish part of me Glows with your fire di - vine. But Live with you the per - fet life Of your e - ter - ni - ty.





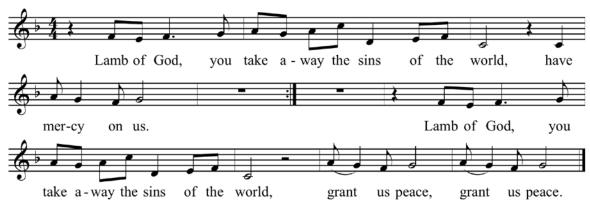
Mystery of Faith



Great Amen



Lamb of God



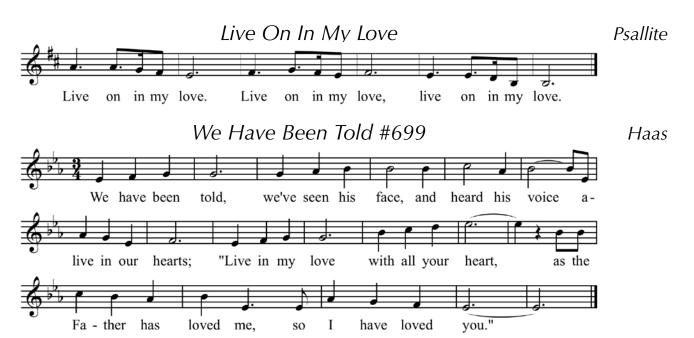
Communion Songs

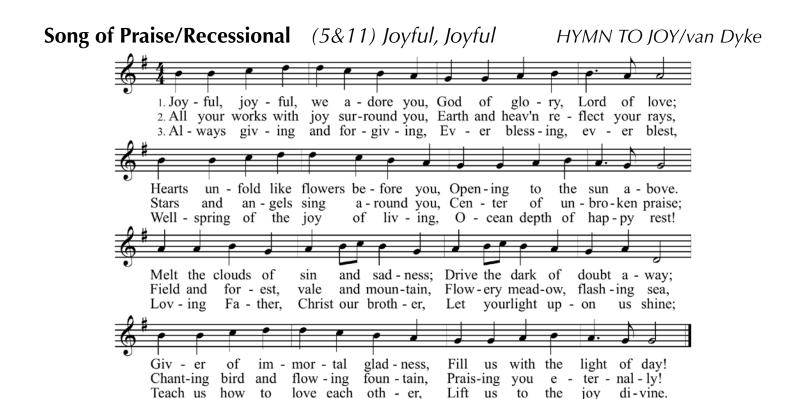
(9) Anthem: For the Bread Which You Have Broken

Schubert

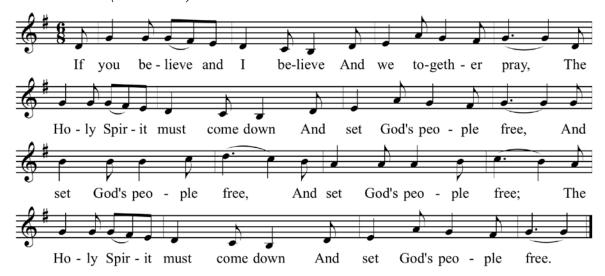
For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured, for the words which you have spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord. By this pledge that you do love us, by your gift of peace restored, By your call to heaven above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.

In your service, Lord, defend us, in our hearts keep watch and ward, In the world where you have sent us, let your kingdom come, O Lord. For the bread and wine we give you thanks. Amen.





(9&5:30) If You Believe and I Believe #722



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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

We Are St. Joseph Dinner Please join us for dinner after the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, May 20th!

Sunday

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

Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass

7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

7:00 PM Tent City Organizing Meeting

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 or call the Parish Center at (206) 324-2522.



Get Behind Your Church Help Paint & Repair St. Joseph



Paint The Church Update

Many, many thanks to all who have made gifts and pledges to our "Paint & Repair St. Joseph" appeal. **To date, we have received 179 pledges totaling \$1,140,086 (which includes a match of \$98,582) toward our goal of \$1,605,000.** We are endlessly grateful for your commitment to St. Joseph Parish!

If you haven't yet given, please prayerfully consider what, if any, gift you are able to give to help paint & repair the church!

We are \$464,914 away from our goal!

Total Projected Costs		Double your gift!
Repair of the St. Cecilia and Coronation of Mary stained glass windows	\$250,000	Every gift of \$500+ will be
Repair and Painting of Building Exterior	\$1,095,000	matched by a generous donor, up to \$200,000.
Repair of Bell Tower Roof Membrane and Lighting	\$100,000	Questions or for more
Replace outdated boiler controls	\$100,000	information please contact Tina
Replace the Parish Bus	\$ 60,000	at tinao@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965-1654.
TOTAL URGENT NEEDS:	\$1,605,000	or (200) 903-1034.

We are endlessly grateful to: Calins Alphonse, Megan Altendorf, Fred & Sheri Andrews, Michael and Madeleine Arvold, Milagros Ayson, Rose Mary Bacina, Jerrold & Cristina Bailet, Anaiz Barrios & Maria Perez. Will & Emily Bassett, David Batchelder & Colleen McShane, Richard & Madeline Bersamina, Sally Ann Birks, Rebecca Brown & Christine Galloway, Bill & Laury Bryant, Brian & Laurel Buckner, Rebecca Buettner, Frank & DeAnne Buono, Mark Busto & Maureen Lee, L Patrick Carroll & Dee McQuesten, Joyce Colella, Reed & Shaun Corry, Arthur & Sharon Crisera, Jo David & Marlow Harris, Ford & Becky Davidson, Martin & Cherlyn Dermody, Brian & Patricia Des-Roches, Paul Dietz, Jerry & Karrie Dinndorf, John & Kimrick Dolson, Virginia Donley, Michael Donohoe, Rupert & Dolores Dorn, James & Janet Dwyer, Helena Eng, Niko Falcon & Pamela Guevara, Gary Fallon & Leona DeRocco, Vincent Fan & Sarah Rafton, James Farnsworth & Melati Baybars, Vince & Amber Ferrese, Ismael Flores, P. Tom Foley & Leigh Turja, Candace Frankinburger, Joseph & Terri Gaffney, Lourdes Garcia, Patrick & Mollie Gemma, Richard & Mary Beth Gemperle, Susan Georgulas, John Goebel & Suzanne Long, John & Kate Goodwin, Sue Grady, Gary Graf, Kelly Gremban, Katryn Haley, Lucy Hart, Brett & Rhonda Hartzell, Catherine Hawes, Kerry Hegedus & KerriLyn Vander Heyden, Sandi Heller, Vince Herberholt & Catherine Murray, Peter Heymann & Nicole Piaseki, Bob & Sandy Hilton, George & Debra Hofbauer, Sharon Hoglund, William & Lisa Holderman, Guy & Catherine Holliday, Bill Hood, Doug Hutchinson, Sylvester Iffert & Karen Carlson-Iffert, Henry & Mary Ann James, Nabil

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For more information please contact our Director of Advancement, Tina O'Brien at tinao@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965-1654.

For many of us, whether long-time parishioners or recent arrivals, walking through the doors of St. Joseph Church lifts our hearts and ignites our senses. For some entering the church brings back memories of events lived in this space—of First Communions and Confirmations, of Weddings and Funerals, and even of Ordinations—but even for those who have just begun to form such memories, this church vibrates with the hum of 87 years of grace-filled moments, and offers a peace and holiness that is palpable. More than a concrete box with pretty windows, St. Joseph is a repository of memory and presence, a promise that all women and men may come into the "Domus Dei" the house of God and be lifted up with tenderness, fed with hospitality and hope, sheltered by compassion and mercy. And with its tower, rising into the sky, this building proclaims to the outside world that we—the beloved people of God—are here to welcome and to celebrate with all who come through the door.

If you have not yet given to our Campaign to Paint and Repair the Church, I hope you will consider your own memories of St. Joseph, or your own hopes for a future here. Help us keep this beautiful space as welcoming and beautiful as what we have received.

In Christ,

John D. Whitney, SJ

Parish Life



Welcoming Ministry Needs You!

The St. Joseph Welcoming Ministry is seeking two to three additional members to join our eight person volunteer effort. The mission of the ministry is to cultivate and ensure a welcoming culture and community at St. Joseph. The committee meets every other month. If interested, please contact John and Ann Patnaude (johnannpatnaude@gmail.com) to learn more about this exciting ministry.

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

Seniors On The Go

Friday, June 2nd - Healing Mass at 11:30 am. Immediately following the 11:30 am Healing Mass is our annual Senior BBQ. Salmon, chicken and beverages provided. Please bring a side of salad or dessert to share. Singalong led by Bob McCaffery-Lent! Please RSVP by calling Renee at 324-2522 or rleet@stjosephparish.org

Friday, July 7th - Healing Mass at 11:30 am. No luncheon.

Women's Ministry

MOMs 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@stjosephparish.org or denise@cassidyhome.com for more information.

Tent City 3

TENT CITY 3 is coming to the campus of St. Joseph's June 23rd thru August 26th. Our first Organizing Meeting will be **Thursday, May 25th at 7-8:30 pm in the Parish Center.** This is an opportunity to learn about Tent City 3, how it operates and how to be involved in hosting. This is a chance to ask questions and voice any concerns.

If you are not able to join us, please contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski who is staff liaison for this project. He can be reached at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

Mental Health Month

May is Mental Health Month. Mental illnesses are far more common than cancer, diabetes, heart disease or arthritis. Our faith communities can be an important part of the recovery process through education, support and by helping individuals and families feel part of a caring community. On **May 27 1:00 - 5:00 PM St. Luke's Parish** will host Mental health Connections: "Education, Awareness and Healing in the Holy Spirit" with Art Display. Mass at 5 PM includes prayers for healing.

Email anisa0401@gmail.com for more information. For more ideas on how to support efforts to help those who are impacted with mental illness, go to http://mental-healthministries.net

Hope and Healing Group

Please join us for Hope and Healing, a group at St. Joseph for anyone seeking health and wellbeing. May our FINAL gathering before summer break. Our topic is: *Saying Yes*. We will meet at **7pm on Tuesday, May 23rd upstairs in the Parish Center Jogues Room.** Questions? Contact Avery Haller at averyhaller@outlook.com or 206-459-1768.

Tuesday Night Yoga

All parishioners are invited to join our Tuesday night drop-in yoga classes from **7 to 8 pm in the Mother Teresa room** of the Parish Center. No prior experience doing yoga is necessary. The classes will offer you an opportunity to relax and recenter. \$5 donation suggested, mats are available upon request. Contact Kaitlyn O'Leary with questions at kaitlyn.m.oleary@gmail.com



FAITH JUSTICE

Our Neighbors From Iraq: What's Up & How You Can Help

In March, St. Joseph welcomed a wonderful family into the house formerly occupied by the Sister of the Holy Name. Since then, if you come to the 9:00 am Mass, you may have met **Ali**, the father of the family, or **Zaid** (7), his elder son—who is also enrolled at St. Joseph School, when he is not at medical appointments at Children's Hospital. Zaid's younger brother, **Hassan** (3), and mother, **Dihlal**, also come to St. Joseph when possible, though, as many of you know, taking care of a 3 year old can be a handful. Though the family is not Catholic, they were part of the diverse culture of Bagdad, and as Ali's grandfather says, "Our faiths have different buildings, but it's the same God."

Ali is currently enrolled in ESL classes, and hoping to get into a program for nurse's training and certification in the US, since he worked as a nurse before coming here. Meanwhile, because Dihlal needs to stay home to take care of Hassan, we are creating a schedule for ESL lessons in the home for her, as well as play-dates for her youngest son.

The gratitude and grace with which this family has become part of St. Joseph is a blessing to us, just as they have said we are a blessing to them. (That's the thing about grace, it always seems to spread out over all those involved.)

A current and pressing need. . .is for an automobile for the family. Ali would like to purchase a reliable and sturdy vehicle—hopefully at a good price. Doing his research, he is especially seeking a Volvo, Toyota, or Honda—with enough room to carry the family. If you can help with this search, or if you have a car to sell/donate, please contact Dave Spicer (206-229-7568) or call the Parish Center.

God has blessed us with these new friends. If you see them, say hello. Though we may not (yet) speak much of the same language, we are increasingly sharing one heart. Thank you to all who have helped, and to all at St. Joseph.

Winter Shelter Thank You's

The shelter runs October 1st to the end of April. It is open 5 nights a week totaling 145 nights. Each night 14 homeless men over 50 years old spent the night in the old gym. A total of 2,030 beds.

Those are the statistics but the **HEART** of the shelter is provided by the men, women, teenagers and an occasional family pet that either organize the shelter for the night, spend the night or provide meals. The following are the volunteers that make the shelter work so well. **Without them there would be no shelter!**

Before the Hosts arrive the shelter is organized: food is stocked and set up. It doesn't take long but it is a huge help: Sondra & Mark Snyder, Doreen Twohy & Thomas Christensen.

Night Hosts spending the night once a month, giving companionship and a sense of security are the following volunteers: Joe Anderton & Diane Lostrangio, Hugh Bangasser, Curt Bryan, Henry Bryan, Scott Campanario, Tom Cannon, Barney Cassidy, Michael Crisera, Gerald Eysaman & Pam McClusky, Gary Fallon, Bill Fleming, Patrick Gemma, Ann Goodrich, Dick Hagen, Bill Herkes, Ed Hogan, Jerry Johnsen, John V. Kew, Fisher Key, Mimi Krsak, Trevor Lane & Alexandria Wagner, Lisa Lavoy, Leo Lyons, Chip Minor, Joe & Michael Minor, Patrick Mireur, Tom Morton, Mike Ostrem, Dan Quinn-Shea, Tim Reilly,

Stuart Rowe, Andrew Seiple, Dave Sharp, Caroline Sharp, Sam Smith, George Stein, John Sullivan, Jim Swegle, Frank Van Dusen & Greg Zeman

Sometimes life gets in the way...it is lovely having the following back up volunteers that step in for the night: Ryan Anderton, Brad Bellanger, Thomas Bellanger, Brittany Culver, Terry Earls, Paul Freiburger, Peter Heymann, Doug Hobkirk, Al O'Brien, Pablo Proano, Robbie Proano, Marti & Dave Spicer, Stacey Thompson, Dennis West & Jaxon Woodward.

The men appreciate knowing that in the morning on the way out they will have a meal to take with them. Meal Providers are scheduled either monthly or every 6 weeks: Suzanne Anderson, Shelley Buhler, Stephanos Buhler, Michael Bunney, Cait Cable, Dale Cameron, Bridget Carney, David Chrisensen, Michael Battaglia, Leona DeRocco, Rosemary Dunigan, Jim & Ellen Flies, Mary Beth Gemperle, Kate & John Goodwin, Mary Hartrich, Nan Henderson, Don & Ximena Linde, Jill & Dickie McCormick, Amy MacDonald, Malori McGill, Christina Vierra McGill, Jeff & Sharon Montgomery, Anne & Matt Moran, Joan O'Neill, Marianne & Allie Pettijohn, Andrew Seiple, Kerri Shigo, Sondra & Mark Snyder, Carrie & Sandip Soli, Erin Swezey & Tim Leary, Jen Tilghman-Havens, Leigh Anne Van Dusen & Brigette Yates.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Come Pray With Us! Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer on **Monday, May 22nd at 7 pm.** There are two prayer groups meeting at St. Joseph that night. Join our Sacred Silence prayer group in the church or come pray the Rosary in the Parish Center Chapel.

The Sacred Silence prayer group will gather in the church for an hour of silent prayer. Newcomers always welcome. Open to all types of prayer practice. Participants need to enter the church before 7 PM as the church is locked in the evening. For information on Sacred Silence and silent prayer, contact Jim Hoover at sacredsilence@ stjosephparish.org or 206-286-0313.

Praying the Rosary can help us face the often harsh realities of life with hope and grace. Pray the Rosary at St. Joseph for the first time or the thousandth. People will help guide those who are just learning. Bring your own Rosary beads, count on your fingers or use a smartphone app such as iRosary.



Prayer Tree

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Dan and all the other participants with "Rolling Thunder" journeying to our nation 's capital . . . For Camille to find a place to rent . . . For Nicholas'

transition into a new location and job . . . Wisdom for those who guide and govern.

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, If that is the will of God, Than for doing evil."

~1 Peter 4:12

Ordination Invitation

All are welcome to attend the MASS OF EPISCOPAL ORDINATION
The Most Rev. Daniel H. Mueggenborg Auxiliary Bishop of Seattle

Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at 2:00 PM St. James Cathedral - 804 9th Avenue, Seattle

NO TICKETS REQUIRED.

Public Reception follows in Cathedral Hall.

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





ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

Suicide Prevention Presentation

St. Joseph School PAB is hosting a Forefront Suicide Prevention Presentation. St. Joseph parents of both primary & middle school students are invited to attend this engaging presentation & discussion with Shira Rosen, MSW and Director of School Education Programs at Forefront.

Forefront: Innovations in Suicide Prevention, a center based at the University of Washington's School of Social Work, is proud to provide access to both a best-practice standardized training and a hopeful, practical presentation to the St. Joseph School and Parish Community

The presentation will focus on LEARN:

L - look for warning signs

E - empathize and listen

A - ask the questions

R - reduce/remove the danger

N - next steps

Dinner will be served at 5:30 PM in the foyer with the discussion beginning at 6:45 PM in the auditorium. Childcare check-in will begin at 6:30 PM.

Please RSVP and indicate whether you will be joining for both dinner and the discussion or just the discussion.

Also, to ensure we have sufficient childcare coverage, please indicate the ages of your child(ren) in the box provided.

Date: 05/23/2017 (Tue)
Time: 5:30pm - 8:00pm PDT
Location: St. Joseph School - Foyer & Auditorium on
Tuesday, 5/23 from 5:30 - 8:30.

Open to both Parish & School Families!

To register visit:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b45aaaa28a57-forefront