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# St. Joseph Parish

## THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE





















"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the One who sent me"



# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 2, 2017

Homily This Week: Steve Wodzanowski Homily Next Week: John D. Whitney, S.J.

> Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday - 5 pm Sunday - 9:30 am & 5:30 pm

#### Readings for July 9, 2017

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10 Second Reading: Romans 8:9, 11-13 Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

Weekday Mass Schedule Monday - Friday, 7 am, Parish Center Reconciliation

Saturday - 3:30-4:15 pm in the Church or by appointment Parish Center

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#### A Place of Fervor

It is the 'magis', that plus that leads Ignatius to undertake initiatives, to follow them through, and to evaluate their real impact on peoples' lives in matters of faith, justice, mercy, and charity. Initiating processes is different from occupying spaces. The Society initiates processes and leaves spaces. This is important. Other religious occupy spaces, the monasteries. The Society initiates processes. The magis is the fire, the fervor of action that rouses us from slumber. Our saints have always been an incarnation of this. It was said of Saint Albert Hurtado that he was "a sharp dart stuck in the sleeping flesh of the Church". This counters the temptation that Paul VI labeled spiritus 'vertiginis' and what De Lubac called 'spiritual worldliness'.

-Francis: Address to the 36th General Congregation of the Society of Jesus-

From the earliest days of the Society of Jesus, Jesuits sought to serve wherever the need was greatest and wherever there was no one else to do the work required. So it is that the professed members of the Society—from the very beginning—have taken a special vow of obedience to the Pope for mission. As Jerome Nadal, one of the early confidantes of St. Ignatius, wrote: "In everything we do, we unite ourselves as much as possible to the Pope, because as the universal superior he has the responsibility for everything that is lacking in particular situations." Thus Jesuits were willing to go wherever they were sent and do whatever they were asked: preaching on the streets of Venice or opening a college in Palermo, sailing for the missions of Latin America or studying the skies at the Vatican observatory, advising the bishops at the Council of Trent or bringing water and prayer to African slaves in the ships of Cartagena. In all of these areas, the mission of the Society could be realized, a mission determined not by the particular work, but by the process through which the mission is received and by the spirit through which it is lived out.

To be a proper mission of the Society of Jesus, a work must emerge from discernment and the promptings of the spirit given from the Pope through a superior; i.e., it must be a matter of true need in a place lacking the resources to meet that need. A Jesuit mission involves going out to a frontier, either geographical or spiritual, which others can not or will not approach. Likewise, as such a mission must be spiritual in its origins, it must also be approached with spiritual fire: i.e., a Jesuit on mission must be actively discerning what is needed in the moment; he must be actively loving the people among whom he serves; he must be actively and fervently engaged in the mission he has received—not simply from a sense of duty, but from a deep desire in his own heart, a desire that finds in this particular mission a part of that "pathway to God" which draws him into the Society. This crossroads where profound need meets apostolic fervor suggests that Jesuit missions—whether carried out by Jesuits or by those with whom they minister—will always entail an element of risk and "going beyond," and will tend to avoid that which merely maintains the status quo or the institutionally secure. By its very nature, Jesuit mission, though radically grounded in the

Church, pushes against the stable and well-established, stretches the limits of ordinary structure, becomes what St. Albert Hurtado was declared to be: i.e., "a sharp dart stuck in the sleeping flesh of the Church."

Perhaps this is why parish ministry was considered, for most of the history of the Society of Jesus, to be contrary to our call and to "our way of proceeding."

While the early Jesuits professed an openness to whatever was asked of them, they resisted the desire of many bishops, who saw them only as a ready workforce, to place them in parishes, seeing in these structures the antithesis of the mission given to the Society. Parishes, in the eyes of the first Companions, represented the prime manifestation of institutional security and stability in the Church of their day. Whereas the Society was called to a "Pauline" service—i.e., called to proclaim the Word to new lands and in challenging situations where the need was greatest—parishes were the bulwark of the "Petrine" Church, which served the sacramental needs of the already enrolled, with priests whose security and lack of mobility acted to quell any sense of passion or charismatic renewal. Although many priests broke out of this mold, to the early Jesuits, parish life encouraged lethargy and spiritual calcification. Writing for the nascent Society, Jerome Nadal who had once described the Jesuits by saying, "the Society is fervor"—pointed out that the parishes of his day had a steady income, guaranteed by fees and property, which acted against the freedom produced by religious poverty. Further, since pastors, at the time of Ignatius, were virtually impossible to remove, the notion of a discerned mission given in obedience was undermined. Finally, since others were already doing the work of parish ministry, Nadal argued that Jesuit participation was unneeded, a mere redundancy, instead of a service to those who were most profoundly in need. Thus, while the Society might maintain churches in major cities (e.g., Rome, Vienna, etc.) to support their sacramental care and practice, and while they might preach as itinerants in the churches of others, the pastoring of parishes—outside of mission areas—was seen as contradictory to the identity of the Society, and incompatible with our proper service to the Church.

It is ironic, for a religious Order founded on the notion of on-going discernment, that this exclusion of parish ministry from consideration as a proper, Jesuit ministry remained in effect long-after the structure and conditions of parish life, which had supported the ban, had been changed. As late as 1950, the Superior General of the Society spoke against the administration of parishes as "contrary to Jesuit life," and it was not until 1966—in the 31st General Congregation of the Society—that

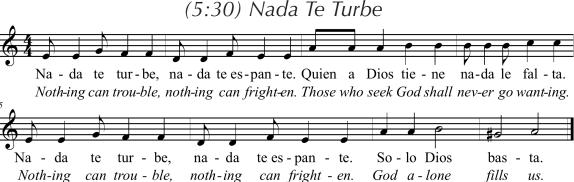
parishes were, at last, officially recognized as (at least in theory) compatible with Jesuit ministry. This, despite the reality that over 3,000 Jesuits were already working in parishes around the world. Still, it took until 1995, at the 34th General Congregation of the Society, for the first document on Jesuit parish life to be approved and promulgated, proclaiming: "A parish is Jesuit if, committed to the pastoral goals and policies of the local church, it also participates in the apostolic priorities of the Society and in the mission plan of the province, according to 'our way of proceeding." In other words, a Jesuit parish must both be a parish—i.e., grounded in a diocese, serving the needs of pastoral and sacramental formation, calling the community to personal and communal prayer, offering outreach to the poor and marginalized—and be Jesuit—i.e., a place of discernment and spiritual fervor, united to a universal Society, open to a mission beyond one locale, committed to interreligious dialogue and to the reformation of structures through the conversion of hearts called for in the Spiritual Exercises. A Jesuit parish must be both "a sharp dart stuck in the sleeping flesh of the Church," and a constant companion of that wounded Church, acknowledging and serving within the very structures it seeks to rouse and enflame.

Once, shortly after I had told my parents that I was to enter the Society of Jesus, my father was having lunch with one of his old friends—a cradle Catholic who had been active in a parish near our home. When my father, obviously happy with my choice, told his friend about my decision to become a Jesuit, his friend smiled slightly and said, "Oh, so he's left the Church entirely?"

To live as a Jesuit, or to become a Jesuit parish, is not a matter of leaving the Church or finding some alternative to it; rather, it is a matter of loving the Church in its richness and complexity, in all the tensions—the growth pains—that inevitably emerge when institution and charism are brought together. A Jesuit parish, such as St. Joseph, is blessed by its bond to the living body of Christ—the Church—and blesses that Church by the very actions which sometimes seem discomforting: by discernment and debate, by challenge and dream, by placing trust in the living Spirit even more than in the inheritance of tradition and law. It is not always easy to be builders of a bridge to a frontier you cannot clearly see—especially when some around you are worried about invasion or the diminishment of the homeland. Yet, this is what we at St. Joseph are called to be, and what we must be, not just to remain true to our Jesuit heritage, but because the Church needs this bridge and because—through the Vicar of Christ—the Church missions us to build it. John of

# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Gloria See Cards In Pews

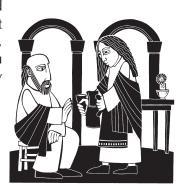
#### **First Reading**

One day Elisha came to Shunem, where there was a woman of influence, who urged him to dine with her. Afterward, whenever he passed by, he used to stop there to dine. So she said to her husband, "I know that Elisha is a holy man of God. Since he visits us often, let us arrange a little room on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp, so that when he comes to us he can stay there." Sometime later Elisha arrived and stayed in the room overnight.

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a

Later Elisha asked, "Can something be done for her?" His servant Gehazi answered, "Yes! She has no son, and her husband is getting on in years." Elisha said, "Call

her." When the woman had been called and stood at the door, Elisha promised, "This time next year you will be fondling a baby son."





With my chosen ones I have made a covenant; I have sworn to David my servant: I will establish your dynasty forever and set up your throne through all ages.

Happy the people who acclaim such a God, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, Who find their joy ev'ry day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss.

He will say to me: "You are my Father, my God, the rock who saves me!" I will keep my love for him always; with him my covenant shall last.

# BATIZED INTO CHRISTS DEATH &

### **Second Reading**

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Murray



## Gospel

Jesus said to his apostles: "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me.

Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. Whoever receives a prophet



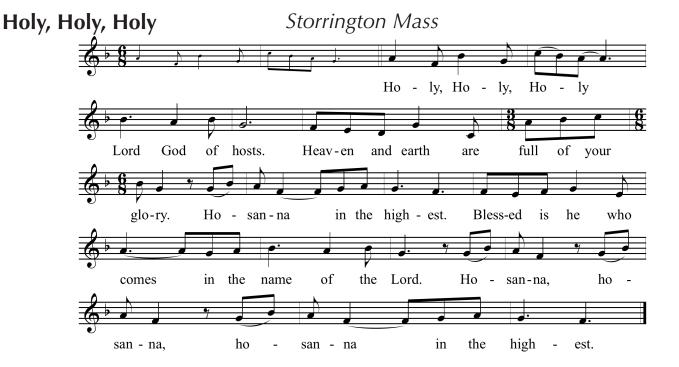
Matthew 10:37-42

because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple—amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."

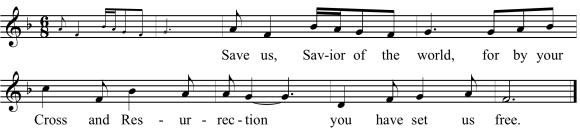
**Homily** 

Steve Wodzanowski

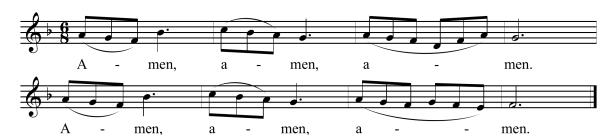




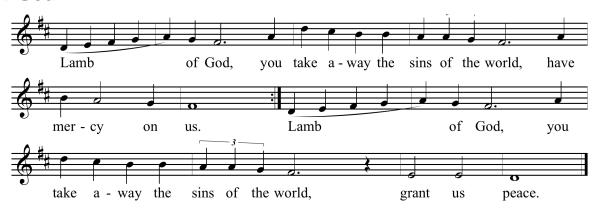
## **Mystery of Faith**



#### **Great Amen**



#### **Lamb of God**

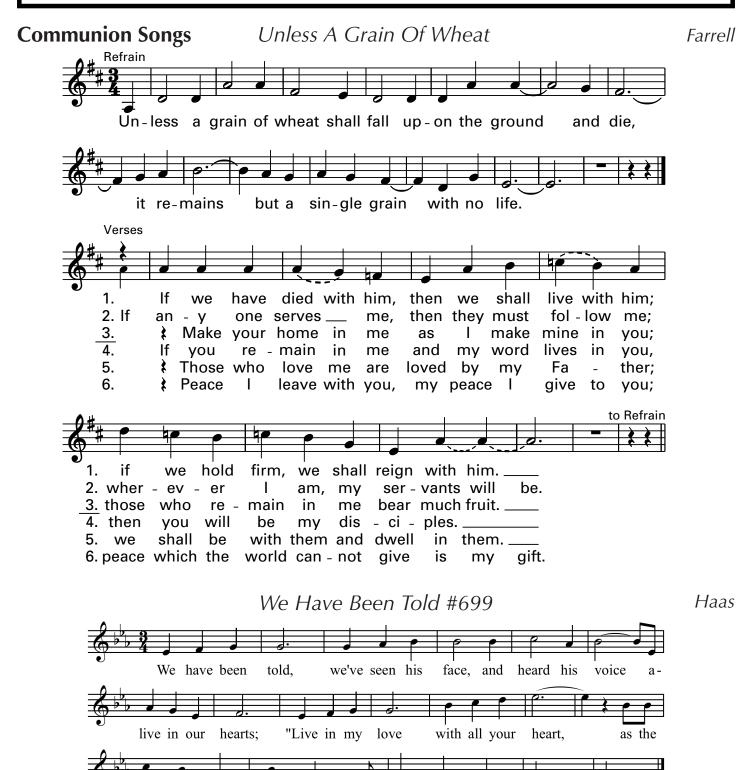


#### All Are Invited To Come Forward

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.



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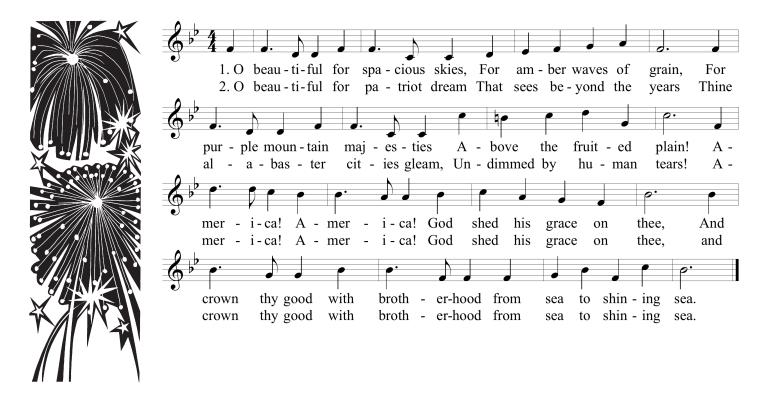
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#### **Song of Praise**

#### America The Beautiful



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# THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday

9:30 AM Mass

10:30 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join us!

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

Thursday 7:00 AM Mass

**Friday** 

7:00 AM Mass

**Saturday** 

3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation

Parish Center is closed

July 3rd & 4th.

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

## LITURGY AND WORSHIP





St. Joseph Community extends Prayer prayers and hopes for the following intentions: On Independence Day, we are reminded that we celebrate America's guest & achievement of freedom.

"The United States is the only country with a known birthday.

All the rest began, they know not when, And grew into power, they know not how . . . There is no "Republican," no "Democrat," On the Fourth of July, -- All are Americans."

~James Gillespie Blaine

RIP

Earl Spangler whose funeral Mass is here Tuesday, July 11th at 4pm.

## **Online Bible Study**

Did you know that St. Joseph's has an Online Bible Study with reflections written by Parishioners? This is the perfect opportunity to make a little space in your busy week to read and pray with the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday. Join our online community and allow your fellow parishioners to help deepen your prayer life through their reflections.

https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.wordpress.com/

## Come Pray With Us! **Monday Night Prayer Groups**

Join us in prayer on Monday, July 3rd at 7 pm. There are two prayer groups meeting. Join our Sacred Silence prayer group in the church or come pray the Rosary in the Parish Center Chapel.

## BBQ After The 5:30 pm Mass

Sunday, July 9 - 6:30 pm (Following the 5:30 p.m. Mass) St. Joseph Parish Center

Join us for a celebration of summer with food, drinks, and picnic games on the lawn between the church and the Parish Center. This is also an opportunity to meet our new neighbors from Tent City 3. Burgers, dogs, pop, lemonade, wine, potato salad and chips provided. Please bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share. Volunteers needed for set-up, serving and clean-up, contact Deacon Steve to volunteer, stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646. Hosted by the Young Adult Ministry & the Welcome Committee Ministry.

## JESUIT PUGET SOUND

#### **SEEL**

Do you desire to draw nearer to a God who desires to draw nearer to you?

The Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL) is a nine month retreat format of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola with a retreat community meeting here at St. Joseph. The SEEL retreat goes from September through May and is a powerful, life-changing program of prayer and reflection that can be done by busy people of in the midst of their daily lives. Retreatants commit themselves to praying daily, meeting twice monthly with a Spiritual Director, and to attending monthly Saturday retreat days. SEEL is accepting applications now



for the retreat starting in September of 2017. Learn more at our website at www.seelpugetsound.org or call SEEL at 206-721-3518. Many retreatants describe SEEL as a transforming experience!

There will be a brief information session to give more details and answer questions about the SEEL retreat on Sunday, July 9 after 9:30 mass and Sunday, July 16 after 5:30 mass. If you would like to join us, an RSVP is encouraged by emailing/calling Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org or Lisa Dennison (SEEL Executive Director). at lisa2karl@aol.com

## TENT CITY AT ST. JOSEPH

## **Tent City Information**

If you want to help with tent city while they are our guests this summer, please email Deacon Steve at stevew@ stjosephparish.org to see how you can assist.

#### Calendar of Events

Here is our current Calendar of events while Tent City is here and who to contact if you want to volunteer. Our goal is to have at least one parish sponsored event each week. If you have ideas for additional events and/or want to take the lead on hosting a dinner or other type of gathering, let me know.

- Sunday, July 9th 6:30 8:30 pm on the Plaza. Welcome Barbecue after the 5:30 pm Mass hosted by Young Adult Group and Welcoming Ministry. If you would like to help, please email stevew@stjosephparish.org. Need side dishes, salads and desserts.
- Thursday, July 13th 7:00 8:30 pm –Parish Center. Panel Conversation on Homelessness with Residents of TC3. Need folks to bring desserts to share! To help contact Kate Wise at k.wise@outlook.com
- Friday, July 21st 7:00 10:30 pm Parish Social Hall. Pizza and Movie Night.. Need volunteers to get pizza from Costco, buy salad, beverages, snacks and desserts. To help contact john.v.kew.ii@gmail.com
- Wednesday, August 2nd 6:30 8:30 pm on the Plaza. Parish Barbecue to celebrate St. Peter Faber, S.J. Hosted by St. Joseph's Men's Ministry but we need help with set-up, cooking, serving and cleanup. Contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org to assist.

We will have a **Tent City Hosting meeting on Thursday**, **July 6th at 7:30 pm** to finalize our Calendar of Events. If you have questions, suggestions, comments, concerns or feedback, please contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

If you are willing to take the special Tent City cell phone, in case of emergency calls on evenings and weekends for a week or two this summer, please call or email Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965 - 1646. (Last summer we received a total of six calls, half were questions about donations!)

## Tent City 3 now has an Amazon Wish List!!: http://amzn.to/1Ukse66

"To love God and neighbor is not something abstract, but profoundly concrete: it means seeing in every person the face of the Lord to be served, to serve him concretely.

And you are, dear brothers and sisters, the face of Jesus."

~Pope Francis

# Parish Life

### **Seniors On The Go**

**Thursday, July 6th** - SENIORS OUTING to the Ballard Locks featuring a free afternoon concert with the Jazz Pearls. 11am – 4pm. Brown Bag Lunch. Transportation from St. Joseph provided. Free! To register call or email Renee at rleet@stjosephparish.org or 324-2522.

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

**Friday, July 21st** - Join us for a wonderful day exploring the North Cascades. Including lunch in the town of Newhalem and an afternoon boat cruise on Diablo Lake. \$25.00 per person including lunch. Leave from St. Joseph's Parish Center at 9:00 am and returning around 8 pm. Must sign-up and pre-pay by July 14th. To register contact Renee at 324-2522 or rleet@stjosephparish.org

## **Young Adult Service Trip**

Wednesday, July 19, 7 pm, St. Joseph Parish Center

The St. Joseph Young Adult (YA) Community is hosting a service immersion trip to build homes in New Orleans October 18-22, 2017. The trip is 5 days and the \$1,075 cost includes airfare, lodging, meals, transportation and all service activities through our partners Shirts Across America and Habitat for Humanity. Join us for the Info Night where you can hear more about the trip, registration details, and the experiences of past participants. This is an incredible opportunity to build community with other young adults while serving the NOLA community that is still rebuilding. Come learn more! Pizza, salad, and refreshments will be provided. For more information contact Deacon Steve at 206 965 1646 or Katy Ryan at Katherinemryan@gmail.com



## **Young Adult Hike (21-35)**

SATURDAY JULY 15TH

Location: Oyster Dome (Pacific NW Trail, Bow, WA 98232)

Details: Views of the San Juans and Samish Bay! A great opportunity for fellowship and celebrating Creation. Please bring your own snacks/water. We'll stop at a local restaurant to grub up after the hike!

Time: Meet at 8 am St. Joseph to carpool. We'll be back in Seattle around 4-5 pm.

Drivers: We are looking for 1-2 more drivers, so let us know if you're able to drive! Drivers need a Discover Pass—if you can't drive but do have a Discover Pass, please bring it along so a driver can borrow.

For details email averyhaller@outlook.com

# LGBTQ Ministry Summer Home Mass & Potluck

Thursday, July 13th at 6:00pm

Please join the LGBTQ Ministry for a home mass and potluck in celebration of community and fellowship. We will be meeting at the home of Tee Earls and Troy Kaser; please bring your favorite side dish. An RSVP is appreciated as space is limited. Please email lgbt@stjosephparish.org to RSVP and for location address or for any other questions.

#### **Parish Life Commission**

St. Joseph's Parish Life Commission is seeking new members. The Parish Life Commission strengthens the community of St. Joseph Parish by welcoming new members into the Parish, making current members feel welcomed through celebrations and social opportunities, and building and uniting various communities of life. We meet on five Monday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the Parish Center. Meeting dates are: Sept. 11, Nov. 13, Jan. 8, March 5 and May 14. Ministries we currently support include Newcomers, LGBTQ, Young Adults, Seniors, Men's and Women's ministry, parish picnic, Ceili and We Are St. Joseph celebration. If interested please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646. We are looking for 4-6 new members who can commit to either a 2 or 3 year term.



# Get Behind Your Church Help Paint & Repair St. Joseph



#### A Note From Our Pastor

I need your help.

In the last months, we have been working to raise the money to paint the exterior of St. Joseph Church and to perform the repairs that are needed after generations of use. Though later, during our second phase, we hope to make improvements that can allow us to better serve the needs of our parishioners, today's work it is as unglamorous—and essential—as insuring that the beautiful window in the north transept and at the west end of the nave (the crowning of Mary and the St. Cecilia windows, respectively) stay in place without further damage. It involves painting the church, which happens every three decades, and repairing leaks that threaten to damage the inside of the church during rain storms. It involves maintaining what has been handed on to us: a place beautiful and functional for the prayer and worship of our community and our children.

But we can't do it without you.

If you haven't had the chance to give yet, please do so now. If you can give \$500 or more, we still have matching funds available, but even if you can't—even if you can give \$5 or \$25 or \$50—please do it. It would mean so much more if the work we did was work supported by the whole community: a wonderful sign that we are together in this ministry and service.

So, no more lofty paragraphs, no more inspirational quotes, just this: we need your help, now. If St. Joseph has blessed you, think of blessing us back, in whatever way God moves you—I know that will be enough.

Whatever you decide, know of my prayers and thanks always.

Yours in the Lord,

John D. Whitney, S.J.

**Pastor** 

### To Give

To make your gift, please use the designated envelopes found in the pews, or go to our webwww.stjosephparish.org and 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.

#### **Double your gift** Race to the Finish

Two new donors have graciously offered to continue to match gifts of \$500 or above, up to \$200,000! So don't miss this opportunity!

# FAITH FORMATION



#### Come and See What the Catholic Faith Has To Offer

Tuesday, July 18th - 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - St. Joseph's Parish Center

- Are you, your spouse, a friend, or an acquaintance a member of another faith tradition but worship regularly here at St. Joseph's?
- Are you experiencing God's call in your life and seeking Baptism or full communion or Confirmation with the Catholic Church?
- If you are, please consider participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. The RCIA is an opportunity to explore with others what the Catholic Church has to offer. It is an opportunity, through a process of discernment and gradual conversion to become a full member of the Catholic Church.

If you are interested contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at 965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org All are welcome in this journey of faith.

### What's On Fr. John's Kindle These Days?

#### 1. Lafayette in the Somewhat United States by Sarah Vowell

\*Vowell is an unconventional historian who interweaves her own experience of visiting historical sites with the story behind it. Here she explores the life of the Marquis de Lafayette, who came to the Revolutionary US as a 20 year old and volunteered to work for General Washington. A unique view of the Revolution, and great reflections on who we are now and how we got here. (This is a good "beach read" with a bit of meat on the bone. Very accessible.)

#### 2. The Death of Adam by Marilynne Robinson

\* A great and important series of essays by the author of Gilead. This is not a light read, but not too technical either. She talks about Darwin in an interesting way that offers some great understanding about how the idea of competition and survival of the fittest both comes from and continues to influence our social policy—to the detriment of the poor and the Christian vision. She writes on Bonhoeffer, on family, and on other topics. You can read each essay by itself, but it will get you thinking. (Accessible to most adults, but you may have to remember what you learned in school a while ago—as I did—at times. Not a "pop" book.)

#### 3. The Hidden Life of Trees by Peter Wohleben

\* If you've been meaning to read Laudato Sí, but worry about all that theology, this book is wonderful and will give you a great sense of the community of the earth. Wohleben is a lovely writer and the sense of what is going on in the forest is informative, but also wonderfully inviting of reflection. A gentle book, which I find helps make me a bit more gentle. (Very accessible for all.)

#### 4. Hallelujah Anyway by Anne Lamott

\* If you are looking for a book that gives you a little bit of a kick in the rear, while making you laugh at your own human nature, Anne Lamott is the one to read. Her reflections on mercy in herself and for herself—how hard it can sometimes be—rings true, and allows us to embrace an spirituality that isn't about something "out there" but about our own family and friends. Great reading if you are tired of brain candy, but not quite looking for intellectual broccoli.



## FAITH JUSTICE

### **Faith Justice Commission**

St. Joseph's Faith Justice Commission is seeking new members. The Faith Justice Commission builds a community of gospel love and care at St. Joseph by sharing information and promoting opportunities for parishioners to engage in direct service with those in need, assisting in those events or programs that build greater companionship with the poor or marginalized, and developing collaborative avenues of advocacy to transform structures of poverty and displacement. We meet on five Monday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the Parish Center. Meeting dates are: Sept. 25, Nov. 20th, Jan. 22nd, March 19th, and May 21st. Ministries we currently support include St. Martin de Porres Shelter, Francis House and our Sister Parish in El Salvador to name a few. We also coordinate the Alternative Christmas Bazaar, Giving Tree, Epiphany Dinner and We are St. Joseph's Service Days. If interested, please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646. We are looking for 2-4 new members who can commit to either a 2 or 3 year term.

## **Our Refugee Family Update**

Our community continues to be blessed by the presence of the Saadawi family. The school has extended their lease on the house for another year. Zaid will be able to continue as a student at St Joseph in the fall. The whole family has been busy learning English.

Now that the family is settled in their home, Ali is looking for a job. If anyone has any leads, please contact Leslie Boniface at 206-669-2370. He is willing to do almost anything. It needs to be during the day because of Zaid's treatments. Ali is particularly interested in a delivery job, or perhaps cleaning or stocking in a hospital, store, or restaurant.