Sunday, September 10, 2017 * Twenty-Third Sunday of the Year * www.stjosephparish.org

St. Joseph Parish





























"Love is the fulfillment of the law."

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

Homily This Week: John D. Whitney, S.J. Homily Next Week: Julian Climaco, S.J.

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

Readings for September 17, 2017

First Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:7 Second Reading: Romans14:7-9 Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

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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Forming Our Children for Equity

Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

-Romans 13:8-

Sometimes breaking the rules is just extending the rules.

-Mary Oliver-

I love the first days of September at St. Joseph.

The younger children, just beginning school, their faces filled variously with excitement or terror as they hold the hand of their father or mother—or sometimes both. Or those returning for their second or third year, filled with smiles and giggles as they see friends they have missed over the summer—all their backpacks still fresh and new, and the fuzzy animals hanging on the zippers not yet stained by rain or spills. I love watching the eighth graders—the boys trying to swagger, the girls looking cool and confident (with just a hint of self-consciousness)—all of them trying to be aloof but not quite managing to hide their excitement at seeing their friends, and beginning this last phase of their time at St. Joseph. And then I look at the parents: the young ones, dropping off a first daughter or son at kindergarten, taking twenty photographs and looking a bit overwhelmed by all that is about to begin, and trying not to tear up. Or the middle group, still treasuring the fact that they are allowed by their children to follow them into class—but no pictures here—and who still are a bit awed by each new step, and the easy way their daughter or son moves into the class. And then there are the old campaigners, dropping one child at high school before bringing one or two others to St. Joseph. These last tend to walk a few paces back, talking with the other veterans, watching with a knowing smile and unfazed countenance the chaos of little meltdowns and the clashes of loud reunions. All that is consistent, across the board, is that wonderful sense of love made flesh—of parents willing to do whatever it takes to give their children a life of hope and promise, of community and compassion; parents willing to give anything, to risk anything, to help the children they love find their dreams and find a way to realize them.

Education, in the Jesuit and Holy Names tradition, has always been about dreams, about igniting the fire of imagination and wonder in young people, and about channeling the fire into the service of the world. What the early Jesuits referred to as "eliciting great desires," does not involve mass production of similar minded workers, to fuel the engines of consumption and production; nor does it entail promoting privilege and exclusion, making of our students little porcelain gods seated in the places of power. On the contrary, education in the tradition of the Jesuits, education as instilled in the fabric of St. Joseph School by the Sisters of the Holy Names, rejoices in the unique gifts of every student, and demands of every student that she or he labors—as God labors in creation—to fashion those gifts, to develop them through testing and expansion, through challenge and use, both for their own sake and for the sake of those who may not have the same gifts. Desiring to foster more than workers

or customers, more than consumers or rulers, Jesuit and Holy Names education calls each young woman or man to become the person she or he is meant to be—i.e., the particular image and likeness of that loving and redeeming God who entered the world as an individual, so as to save the world, and who, through his Incarnation, makes every individual sacred and summons every one to take up a place in the work of salvation.

Such Jesuit and Holy Names education longs for students to think for themselves and to act for others; to do what they do based on principals of their own well-formed consciences—consciences developed not merely by the memorization of a catechism nor by obedience to a set of laws, but by the thoughtful and discerning care of the world. In bringing their children through the doors of a school like St. Joseph, parents declare their hope that their son or daughter will become a daring and courageous person: a person who respects her own ideas and yet is capable of loving and respecting the ideas of others, as well; a person who can work along side others but can also think for himself; a person who values others because she herself has been valued, who respects others because he himself has been respected, who lives in solidarity with others because only with others can the fullness of his or her own identity be realized. In entrusting their children to us, parents enlist us in making their children into people of passion and devotion, willing to go against convention for the sake of justice. They call us to help make of these young women and men dreamers who can accomplish their dreams, both for their own sake and for the sake of our dream-needy world.

This last week, we have seen clearly the need for the educational tradition represented by St. Joseph School, and the spiritual tradition carried forth by the Jesuits and the Sisters of the Holy Names. As Hurricane Harvey left thousands of people homeless and desperate; as Irma bore down on rich and poor alike, her threatening winds greater than any ever recorded in an Atlantic storm; with the Colombia Gorge aflame, and Montana continuing to burn, the Attorney General of the United States stepped to the podium in the press room of the Department of Justice not to offer comfort nor hope, not to soothe the flames nor console the homeless, but to declare that the President will terminate the program known as the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, i.e. DACA. This policy, instituted by Executive Order under President Barack Obama, has protected nearly 800,000 young people from deportation: people brought to this country by parents or relatives before 2007, when they were less than 16 years old (the average age of such youngsters was 6 years old) and who had not turned 31 before 15 June 2012. Required to reapply for this status every twoyears, these young women and men must be currently attending school, or have attained a high school diploma, or have served in the United States military; and they may not have committed any significant criminal acts (e.g., nothing more than a traffic offense, or equivalent). Although DACA has not put these so-called "Dreamers" in line for citizenship, nor made them eligible to receive federal benefits (except for Social Security, when they contribute to this fund as workers), it has allowed them to apply for credit cards, get driver's licenses, and sign for loans—resulting in a significant percentage of them starting their own businesses, owning their own homes, and beginning careers.

Though many claim that the Executive Order by which DACA was established was an example of "presidential over-reach"—and so is an "unjust" action—our Jesuit and Holy Names history calls us to look to a deeper sense of justice, i.e., to a sense of justice built on the principals of common good and not simply on the precepts of the law. In such a circumstance, where those who face deportation were brought to this country (we can reasonably suppose) without their consent, where they have lived often exemplary lives, and where they have been raised as members of this culture and community, is it truly just to now threaten them with deportation to a country in which, for the most part, they have never lived? Is it justice to imperil the very lives of the innocent because of partisan divisions? St. Thomas Aquinas, in his Summa Theologica, considers such a circumstance with the kind of clarity characteristic of his thought: "if the law be applied to certain cases it will frustrate the equality of justice and be injurious to the common good, which the law has in view. . . On these and like cases it is bad to follow the letter of the law, and it is good to set aside the letter of the law and to follow the dictates of justice and the common good. This is the object of 'epikeia' which we call equity." Perhaps it is true that President Obama exceeded his authority in creating DACA; yet, it was an act of equity to do so, an act in line with the common good, which is the goal of justice and ultimately of all law. To rescind that act for the sake of legalism is the opposite of equity, i.e., an act of vicious and unprincipled injustice, which should not be allowed.

I love the first days of September, and the children who clammer outside my window—innocent and ready to receive the good their parents hope for them and the grace St. Joseph School might bring. Which of these should be deported for the failures of their parents? Which of these does not deserve the dreams they seek to realize? This is the question we face as a people—as parents, as teachers, as Catholics, as Americans, as human beings. Let us act with equity for all our children, for all whose dreams will save us.

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please take a moment to silence your cell phones.



Gloria See Cards In Pews

First Reading Ezekiel 33:7-9

Thus says the LORD:

but you shall save yourself.

You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel; when you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me. If I tell the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die, " and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way, the wicked shall die for his guilt, but I will hold you responsible for his death. But if you warn the wicked, trying to turn him from his way, and he refuses to turn from his way, he shall die for his guilt,





Come, ring out our joy to the LORD; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come now before our God; with songs let us hail the Lord.

Come; let us bow and bend low, let us kneel before God who made us, for here is our God, we the people, the flock that is led by his hand.

O that today you would hear God's voice! "Harden not your hearts. As on that day at in the desert when your parents put me to the test.

Second Reading

Romans 13:8-10



Brothers and sisters: Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; you shall not kill; you shall not steal; you shall not covet, " and whatever other commandment there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no evil to the neighbor; hence, love is the fulfillment of the law.

Gospel Acclamation

Walker/O'Carroll



Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that 'every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector. Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

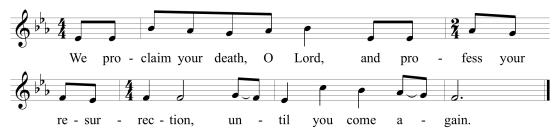


Homily

John D. Whitney, S.J.



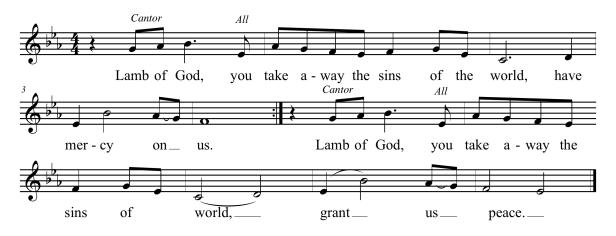
Mystery of Faith



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,

HAVE A GLUTEN ALLERGY, & NEED A GLUTEN FREE HOST PLEASE COME TO THE PRESIDER & INDICATE THIS.

Communion Songs

Like A Deer That Longs For Running Streams

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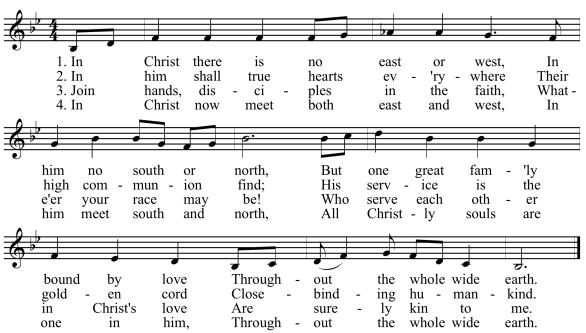




Song of Praise

In Christ There Is No East Or West

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Prayer for the Season of Creation

God, Creator of the Universe:

You have made the earth and all that lives upon it,

Have given us grain and grape,

The mighty oak and flowers in the field.

You have made us companions with the birds of the sky

And the fish of the sea,

With the powerful lion and the gentle lamb,

With all that crawls or flies, swims or walks upon the earth.

You have made us one with water and with air,

With spirit and with flesh.

And in the life of your beloved Son,

You have made us one with you,

Living with you in this, our common home.

Help us to love this earth, in all its wonder and its grace,

And to love our sisters and our brothers,

Who shine with your light, now and forever.

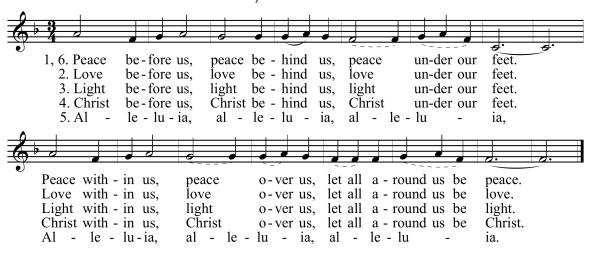
Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Recessional (5:30)

Prayer Of Peace

Dakota/Haas



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday 9:00 AM Mass 10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join us! 11:00 AM Mass 12:00 PM Coffee & Donuts - Join us! 5:30 PM Mass

Monday

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

Tuesday

7:00 AM Mass 7:00 PM Yoga

Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

Friday 7:00 AM

Mass

Saturday

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

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FAITH FORMATION

Children's Faith Formation 2017-2018

The CFF program continues to flourish with the participation of so many children and youth in grades Pre-K thru Junior High. This is a program that takes many hands and hearts to provide strong and consistent faith formation for our youngest parishioners. Children's Faith Formation begins October 1st for children preschool age thru junior high. Deadline to register is September 30. To volunteer, please contact Dottie at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org

Course Offerings

Scholarships available for all our course offerings!

Children's Faith Formation Childcare: During the 9am Mass for children 1-3 years old. This is a time for your child to begin experiencing church through playtime. Children are supervised by a paid adult and volunteer youth. Child Care opens Sunday, September 17 during 9am Mass in the Social Hall. Please visit our Homepage tile Let's Get Started and sign up under Children's Faith Formation. Open year-round, register at any time. The annual fee is \$50.

Children's Faith Formation Pre-Kindergarten (CFF Pre-K): During the 9am Mass for children *3 1/2-5 years old. This is a hands-on, Montessori-style class for our young ones. *Your child should be out of diapers and able to follow simple directions, such as those given in a pre-school setting. The annual fee is \$30.

Children's Faith Formation K (CFF K): During the 9am Mass for children currently enrolled in Kindergarten (private, public, home, or parish school) beginning in the fall. Classes consist of scripture stories, arts & crafts, songs, and gym playtime. Pickup is in the old gym across from the Social Hall. The annual fee is \$30.

Children's Faith Formation 1 (CFF 1): The first of a two year Sacramental Preparation program for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Participation and completion of CFF 1 (or equivalent) is required before the second year, during which your child would receive these sacraments. This includes children in our parish school, public school, other private school or home school. The annual fee is \$60.



Children's Faith Formation 2 (CFF 2): ALL children planning to receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this upcoming school year must have completed the CFF 1 class (or equivalent) last year whether you attend our parish school, public school, other private school or home school. Additional retreat and home materials provided for immediate preparation. There is a \$100 annual fee.

Children's Faith Formation Year 3 & 4 (CFF 3/4): This class is for children to reflect, learn, and continue to practice their faith. We will continue to use arts, scripture studies, and community building activities to strengthen our faith and knowledge of the Church. The annual fee is \$30.

Children's Faith Formation Year 5 & 6 (CFF 5/6): This class for youth in 5th & 6th grades focuses on the liturgy, Church teachings and growing faith through prayer. The annual fee is \$30.

Children's Faith Formation Year Junior High: This class is a 3-year Bible study for youth in 7th, 8th, & 9th grades. The annual fee is \$30 for each of the classes PLUS \$25 for materials (Bible & workbook).

High School Confirmation: Youth must be at least 16 years old by the Confirmation Mass date (late January/early February), already received the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist, and continued in ongoing faith formation through parish programs or Catholic High School. Students are actively seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation and are participating members in their parish and personal faith life. Classes begin in October and end in January. The annual fee is \$135.

To sign up, visit our homepage: www.stjosephparish.org

Safe Environment Training

Safe Environment Training is **Wednesday, September 13th 7:00 pm, St. Joseph School Auditorium.** To sign up please visit: https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theme=0&theOrgID=21516



FAITH FORMATION

Adult Faith Formation

Faith Formation Commission

St. Joseph's Faith Formation Commission is seeking new members. The Faith Formation Commission forms and supports a spiritually and intellectually active community by developing educational programs appropriate to age and circumstances, supporting programs that nurture a sacred relationship with God, creation, and our local global communities, and fostering dialogue and discussion in the Catholic Jesuit tradition. We meet five times a year in the Parish Center. Meeting dates are: Sept 12th, Nov 14th, Jan 9th, Mar 13th and May 8th. Ministries we currently oversee include Children's Faith Formation (CFF), Adult Faith Formation (AFF), Sacramental Preparation and Youth Ministry. We are looking for 2-4 new members who can commit to either a 1, 2 or 3 year term. If interested, please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965- 1652.

St. Joseph's Adult Faith Formation Committee is seeking new members! Adult Faith Formation nurtures the life of the parish by providing formation programs that meet the spiritual and intellectual hunger of our parishioners. We hope to companion people on the journey as they mature in faith.

The Adult Faith Formation Committee helps to develop the programs for our community, through the study of scripture, church doctrine and history, study of the sacraments, catholic social teachings and moral development, the lives of the saints, and finally Ignatian Spirituality and discernment. We do this through evening events, formation series, and multi-media platforms.

We are also seeking technology talented individuals to help launch our "Catechetical Moment of the Week" video series or other platforms through which we can connect with our parishioners such as Facebook Live or potential online learning opportunities.

If you are interested please contact Theresa Lukasik at theresaL@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1651. We are looking for 4-6 new members who can commit to a 1-3 year term.



Becoming A Jesuit Parish

Part One: Beginnings of the Society of Jesus

This year, as part of the parishes work at better incorporating our Jesuit identity, Fr. John Whitney, SJ, will be leading a series of seminars to study the origin and direction of the Society. The first of these—which will study the origins of the Jesuits through original documents and reflection on the life of Ignatius—will begin in the month of September, for three weeks. Participation is limited, so if you would like to be a part of the seminar, please contact Fr. John directly: jwhitney@stjosephparish.org or leave a note in his mailbox in the Parish Center with your contact information.

Jesuit Seminar: Beginnings

Thursday Evenings: September 14, 21, 28

7:00 pm until 9:00 pm

Parish Center

FAITH FORMATION



Come and See What the Catholic Faith Has to Offer

Tuesday, September 19th - 7:00 pm - 8:30 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 at 965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org *All are welcome on this journey of faith!*

The VOICE Youth Group

THE VOICE Youth Group Kicks Off! The Voice, St. Joseph's High School Youth community, invites ALL 9th - 12th grade students to our kick-off event on Wednesday, September 27th from 7-8:30 at the St. Joseph's Parish Center. Come join for food, friends and games. As members of the Voice, high schoolers may apply to this year's Shirts Across America Trip in June 2018!

Please contact Sam Kennedy at samkennedy09@gmail. com with any questions.

Parish Service Project

Saturday, September 16, 10:00am-2:00pm Restoration Project Ravenna Park: University District

This is a great service and faith formation opportunity. We will be directly caring for God's Creation by removing aggressive weeds, maintaining weeded areas, and planting new native vegetation. During our lunch break we will provide faith formation on Laudato Si' and Care for God's Creation. EarthCorps supplies gloves, tools, water and snack bars. They will teach you everything you need to know about tool use, safety, forest health, and the importance of the work you will be doing. No experience necessary, just come ready to learn something new! Dress in work clothes and weather appropriate. Please bring sack lunch. This is a family friendly event but young adults and adults are encouraged as well.

Sponsored by St. Joseph Parish, Seattle

To register or for more information contact: theresal@ stjosephparish.org or 206-324-2522

Pathfinders Youth Group at St. Joseph Parish

Did you know this year begins the 15th year of our middle school youth group? Pathfinders—open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders—began with a small group of youth and a handful of adult parishioners back in September 2002 under a newly appointed youth minister. We have seen the group grow and flourish for hundreds of youth over the years, through service, community, and faith-oriented activities. **Pathfinders is currently seeking adult volunteers** interested in having a positive impact on our middle school youth this 2017-2018 school year. Come be a part of it! Please contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652 to learn how you can help with this vibrant ministry.

Parish & School Picnic



Sunday September 17th 1-4 pm, Parking Lot

We provide the following:
Hot Dogs, Cotton Candy & Sno-Cones
Soft Drinks & Beer on tap
Rides for the Kids

PLEASE BRING: dessert, salad or side dish to share

KODACHROME will be here playing all your favorite songs!



St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



Contact Joe Augustavo, joeaugustavo@comcast.net or 206-229-6881

Don't worry, the Seahawks game will be televised at the Picnic!





SEASON OF CREATION

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

SEPTEMBER 1ST - OCTOBER 4TH
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS
FOR CREATION



Thursday, September 14 7:00 pm-8:30

CLIMATE SCIENCE, LAUDATO SI' & THE NORTHWEST: A RESPONSE OF FAITH FOR THE FUTURE

Presented by: Jeff Renner

Seattle University Wyckoff Auditorium Sponsored by: IPJC, Seattle University, Earth Ministry

> Saturday, September 16 10:00 am-2:00 pm

DIRTY HANDS, FULL HEARTS: RENEWING A BIT OF OUR EARTH

Ravenna Park: University District

We will work together to restore a section of Ravenna Park.

Weeding, Restoring Native Species, Working with EarthCorps: tools, gloves, water & snacks provided.

No experience necessary, just come ready to learn something new!

This is a perfect event for families and adults, all are welcome!

Sponsored by St. Joseph Parish, Seattle

RSVP or for more info contact: theresal@stjosephparish.org or 206-324-2522

Saturday, September 30 10:30 am

LAUDATO SI': A MASS CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF CREATION

St. James Cathedral, Seattle

All are welcome to celebrate the Season of Creation at St. James Cathedral. Sponsored by St. James Cathedral, IPJC, Seattle University, Earth Ministry

Wednesday, October 4 6:30 pm

ECUMENICAL BLESSING THE ANIMALS: ON THE FEAST OF FRANCIS OF ASSISI

St. Joseph Parish, Seattle

We continue the tradition of blessing all animals with shared prayer open to all. Sponsored by St. Joseph Parish, IPJC, Earth Ministry

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Parish Life

St. Joseph's Men's Ministry

Please join us for our Fall Mass and Potluck Barbecue

Friday, September 22nd, 6pm – 8:30pm, Parish Center. Fr. Julian Climaco SJ presiding. Bring a salad, side dish, dessert and beverage of choice to share.

Hope & Healing Support Group

Hope and Healing is back! Join us for monthly prayer, meditation, discussion and fellowship as we explore the relationship between faith and well-being. If you are experiencing illness, or are generally interested in health and wellness, Hope and Healing is the group for you. Our September topic is: "Come As You Are." Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, September 26 from 7-8:30pm** upstairs in the Parish Center Jogues Room. Questions? Contact Avery Haller at averyhaller@outlook.com or 206-459-1768

Seniors On The Go

Tuesday, September 12th - Planning Meeting 11:30 am, bring a brown bag lunch.

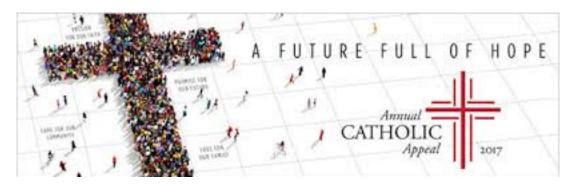
Wednesday, September 20th - AGING GRACEFULLY TOGETHER will meet at 11:00 am in the Arrupe Room of the Parish Center. We invite any and all who would like to meet, talk and make new friends. You can also call us: Eleanor McCall at 206-325-4615; Frances Chikahisa at 773-294-9424 e-mail franceschikahisa@me.com

Friday, October 6th - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am followed by a wonderful lunch in the Parish Center. Come join us!

Young Adult Bible Study

Come join us to study Genesis! We will walk through the book with daily readings and meet weekly for discussion. Plan to meet **Thursdays starting September 7th through October 12th from 7:00-8:30 pm** at the Parish Center. Please contact Sabrina at sfordyce@spu.edu to RSVP or with any questions.

Annual Catholic Appeal



Each year the Annual Catholic Appeal focuses on all the good that is being done in our Archdiocese: the homeless are sheltered; retired priests and nuns are cared for; our seminarians are prepared for future ministry, and so much more. Great things are being accomplished in the name of Jesus! And each year, we are called to renew our efforts to ensure a Future Full of Hope by giving to the 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign!

The support of every parish is crucial to the existence of the many ministries and services of the Archdiocese. Gifts of any amount are welcome! Use an ACA envelope found in the pews or go online to www.seattlearchiocese.org/donate to make your gift!

Our assessment is \$161,315 and we have raised to date \$88,188. If you haven't yet given, please prayerfully consider a gift.

FAITH JUSTICE



In Defense Of Dreamers What Can We Do?

On September 5th, the Trump Administration announced the end of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), which will take place in six months. DACA has allowed young people who were brought to the United States as children by their parents to come out of the shadows to live, work and go to school without fear of deportation. We are deeply troubled by this decision and urge Congress to work toward a legislative solution within the six-month window before the official end of DACA. In scripture, we are called to welcome the stranger (Mt 25: 35). As people of faith, we must stand with our DACA recipient neighbors, family, friends, coworkers and community members.

A bi-partisan group of Senators recently introduced the Dream Act of 2017, which would establish conditional permanent resident status and a pathway to citizenship, with provisions, for DACA recipients. In an effort to uphold protections for our undocumented brothers, sisters, neighbors, coworkers, and friends, we urge you to call on your Senators and Representative to pass the Dream Act of 2017 as soon as possible.

A suggested text for an email or letter to your Senators and Representative is:

Save DACA & Protect Undocumented Youth!

I am deeply troubled by the Trump Administration's decision to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. This decision goes against the teachings of my faith, which call us to welcome the stranger. I urge you to support the bi-partisan Dream Act of 2017, which would establish conditional permanent resident status and a pathway to citizenship, with provisions, for DACA recipients.

DACA has allowed undocumented young people to come out of the shadows to live, work and go to school in the United States. Many of them were brought to the U.S. as children by their parents and have never known another home. As a constituent and member of your community, I ask that you do everything in your power to pass the Dream Act of 2017.

Senator Patty Murray

154 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-4704

To email Senator Murray go to her website www.murray.senate.gov and use the "Contact" form.

Senator Maria Cantwell

511 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

To email Senator Cantwell go to her website www.cantwell.senate.gov and use the "Contact" form.

Representative Pramila Jayapal

319 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-4707

To email Representative Jayapal noemail@votervoice.net

Representative Adam Smith

2264 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

To email Representative Smith go to his website www. adamsmith.house.gov and use the "Contact" form.

Catholic Church's Response

Copies of responses to the cancellation of the DACA program from the Bishops of the Seattle Archdiocese, the USCCB and the Jesuits are located in the vestibule.

For futher information and updates on legislative action please contact the Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center at www.ipjc.org

FAITH JUSTICE

St. Joseph Winter Shelter Volunteers Needed

The St. Joseph Winter Shelter provides overnight shelter and "meal bags" for fourteen homeless men, age 50 and older, five nights a week from October through April. The program tries to offer a night's rest in an environment of dignity, respect and safety.

History: The St. Joseph Winter Shelter came into being in 1992 in response to a need presented by the Archdiocesan Housing Authority's St. Martin de Porres Shelter. St. Martin's can sleep 212 men a night but the need far outweighs the available space during the cold winter months, hence the satellite shelter system was created. There are now 8 local churches working with St. Martin's to provide 34 beds a night during the winter months.

Get Involved: Please consider volunteering as a host. Hosts work in pairs and sign up for a specific night once a month. The two hosts spending the night provide hospitality and a sense of community. Meal providers use their own funds to prepare a meal for the men to take the next morning. They are scheduled on the day of their choice once a month or every six weeks.

Meal providers can deliver the meals between 8:00am - 10:00pm. The men appreciate the fact that someone has thought enough of them to make sure they have food for the day. Shelter volunteers are men and women of all ages, special people who aren't afraid to face a population and a life style that might be different than their own.

To volunteer contact Taffy McCormick at wintershelter@ stjosephparish.org or Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org

Sister Parish

FALL ADULT DELEGATION TO OUR SISTER PARISH IN EL SALVADOR

If you are new to St. Joseph's, we have a Sister Parish relationship with San Bartolome located in Arcatao, El Salvador. We are in the initial stages of planning an adult delegation to visit sometime in mid-November for approximately 7-9 days. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry or joining our delegation, please contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646. We are always on the look-out for anyone bi-lingual to serve as a translator.

Our next Sister Parish Committee meeting is this Sunday, September 10th, 6:30 pm – 8:30, in the Parish Center.

Tent City

MINI-VAN PURCHASE

One of the residents from Tent City 3 is hoping to purchase a used Mini-Van (Dodge Caravan for example) in good-working condition. They can afford up to \$1000.00. If you can help, please contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646.

St. Joseph's Refugee Committee Meeting

Wednesday September 13th - 7:00 pm - 8:30 Parish Center

If you would like to learn more or get involved In our parish efforts to support refugees, please join us. For details, contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

Concert to Benefit Jesuit Refugee Services

St. Joseph Parish & School has acquired four tickets to the SOLD OUT benefit 2017 Lampedusa: Concerts for Refugees Tour. The concert is in Seattle at the Moore Theatre on October 3rd and will feature Dave Matthews, Steve Earle, Patty Griffin, and special guests. We will be selling raffle tickets for \$50 each for a chance to win 2 tickets. All raffle proceeds will also be donated to JRS. Raffle tickets sold at the Parish Center during the week or in the vestibule after Mass.

Produced by JRS /USA, in partnership with UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency (as part of #WithRefugees), the concerts are intimate evenings of acoustic performances to raise awareness and money to support expanded educational opportunities for displaced people through Jesuit Refugee Service's Global Education Initiative. Funds raised from the tour help refugees to heal, learn, and thrive. Join us and be a part of supporting refugees!

LITURGY AND WORSHIP



Music Ministry

Top 10 Reasons to join choir:

- **1.** St. Augustine famously said: "Those who sing, pray twice." VERY efficient!
- 2. Admit it, you aren't feeling confident about your singing voice. Singing in choir will give you the basic training and experience you need to sing more freely. Next thing you know, you'll be singing your office presentations, around the dinner table, during your walk around the neighborhood or while you are working out at the gym. This will literally change how people think about you!
- **3.** We have the best seats in the house, especially when the church is overflowing on Christmas and Easter.
- **4.** Singing is a whole and complete Mind/Body/Spirit experience. I had a choir member for many years with Cystic Fibrosis. Her doctor said that singing in the choir had done more for her breath and lungs than anything he could have done.
- **5.** Intellectual stimulation--when you make music, you are using both sides of your brain simultaneously.
- **6.** Since the choir sometimes moves between the organ loft and the south transept, we exercise while we pray and sing. This has obvious health benefits.
- 7. You have a regular Thursday night out (Choose one): a: without the kids, b: without your partner, c: WITH your partner, d: WITH your kids, e: with yourself.
- **8.** We are a small faith community offering a humble gift...if you have been given the gift of a decent singing voice this is a surefire way to make sure you don't hide it under a bushel but share it with the world.
- **9.** Friends! You will no longer be able to complain, "Church is so impersonal--I don't know anyone."
- **10.** 2000 years of liturgical music tradition can't be wrong.
- 11. We need you!! Seriously!

Lord, after a long day at work, Thursday night choir rehearsal was like springtime! Hard to put into words but after a day of dunning bureaucracy, how precious it was to let my spirit soar. And when it all came together and my brothers and sisters sang as one and lost ourselves to God. It doesn't happen all the time but when it does...Wow is all I can say.

~Anonymous chorister

The St. Joseph Adult Choir rehearses Thursdays from 7-9 pm and sings the 9 am Sunday mass from September through June. It is open to high school age and older. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact Robert McCaffery-Lent: Rmclent@stjosephparish. org or 206-965-1649.

The St. Joseph Children's Choir "Joyful Voices" sings the 9 am mass three or four times a year and has two evening rehearsals before each mass. The date of the next Children's Choir Sunday is October 15. All school age children are welcome, as long as they are able to focus on singing through rehearsal 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 or Matt Tilghman-Havens at j.tilghmanhavens@gmail.com and mtilghmanhavens@gmail.com.

Instrumentalists: If you are skilled in playing an instrument, there are a variety of opportunities in the music ministry! For more information or to schedule an audition, contact Robert McCaffery-Lent: Rmclent@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1649.

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/

"Don't forget what would happen if we treated the Bible as we treat our cellphone, always with us, always close to us!"

~Pope Francis



LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Joseph Community extends its Prayer prayers and hopes for the following 1100 intentions: For Kayden's health . . . For Paul and his family as they reflect on a career move . . . For relief of the painful discomfort in Lisa's feet . . . For Nicholas who

is following his culinary dreams . . . For the many throughout the world who have suffered flood damage and have lost loved ones . . . Congratulations to Eleanor and George McCall celebrating their 61st wedding anniversary.

> "Owe nothing to anyone, except to love one another . . . " ~Romans 13:8

Come Pray With Us! Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer on Monday, September 11th 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.

The Sacred Silence prayer group will gather in the church for an hour of silent prayer. Participants need to enter the church before 7 PM as the church is locked in the evening. For information, 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. People will help guide those who are just learning.