



Sunday, September 17, 2017 \* Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year \*

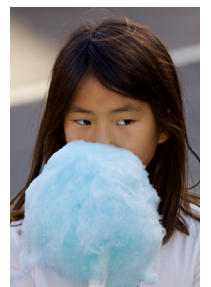
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# ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



*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.*



**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**SEPTEMBER 17, 2017**

**Homily This Week: Julian Climaco, S.J.**  
**Homily Next Week: Steve Wodzanowski**

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**Saturday** - 5 pm  
**Sunday** - 9:00 am, 11 am & 5:30 pm

**Readings for September 24, 2017**

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 55:6-9  
 SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 1:20C-24, 27A  
 GOSPEL: MATTHEW 20:1-16A

**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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**Monday-Thursday** - 8 am - 4:30 pm

**Friday** - 8 am - 3:00 pm

**Saturday** - 9 am - 1 pm

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# **"Something that happened to me at Manresa"**

*To find in the illumination of the Cardoner the initial germ of the Society, all we need do is appreciate the difference between the Ignatius of before and after Manresa, the coherence between what started there and what, in a very straight line, his whole life thereafter will be, precisely in virtue of the mysteries he contemplated and the discretion he acquired.*

**-Pedro Arrupe, S.J.-**

In the craggy cliffs of northern Spain, at the center of Catalonia region, the small village of Manresa was meant to be nothing more than a way-station for the Pilgrim, a place where he might avoid Barcelona, where he might encounter those who knew him or his famous family. Having only months before been on the brink of death as the result of a war injury and subsequent surgeries, the Pilgrim had decided to begin a new life, as a hermit and penitent; imitating no longer the heroism of a knight, but instead imitating that of a saint. Turning his chivalric instincts toward the service of a new Lord and Lady, he had mounted a mule at his family estate and ridden to the famous monastery of Montserrat, where—on the eve of the Solemnity of the Annunciation (24 March)—he had laid down his sword and shield before the image of the Virgin, standing or kneeling the whole night in vigil. Then, in the morning, leaving behind the tools of his former trade, the Pilgrim donned the clothes of a penitent, and headed down the winding road that led to Manresa, where he had determined to stop for a few days to help at a hospice and to note, in the small book he carried, all his experiences of God's consolations.

What that Pilgrim—Iñigo de Loyola—discovered in Manresa resulted in his staying there for months beyond what he expected, and it changed him in ways he could never have imagined possible. Tearing down his heroic facade, his notion of himself as a great knight of faith, those days in Manresa led him to the brink of suicide, wondering if he could persevere in the life he had chosen and in the service of God he had taken up. Dwelling, at times, in a cave on the edge of town, Iñigo, perhaps for the first time in his life, came to doubt himself, and felt himself trapped by the sense of sin and judgment for which he could find no relief. With penances and fasts of great severity, he punished himself looking for a way to make himself worthy of God. Years later, he would speak of this time, saying in the voice of his younger self, *"If I thought I could find a cure, no labor would be too great for me. Lord, you yourself show me where to find it, and even if I should have to run after a little dog to obtain the remedy from it, I shall do so."* But nothing he could do could bring him peace—until he let go of his doing, and allowed God to do for him.

The healing that at last brought peace and hope to Iñigo was not a healing of his own doing, not a cure that he, himself, could create. Rather, as Iñigo stood on the brink of despair, when he could no longer hold the door of self-recrimination and self-loathing, which had become the last refuge of his heroic ego, Iñigo surrendered. And God, waiting behind that door, intruded into the Pilgrim's life, and began to treat him, *"in the same way as a school master deals with a child."* With apparent disregard for all the sins and failures



of which Iñigo accused himself, God came to him with love and grace, drawing him more and more deeply into the sacred mysteries. God drew him out of the cave and away from the self-imposed penances—e.g., refusing to trim his beard and hair, refusing to cut his nails—that had begun to interfere with his service to those in need. Instead, God drew the Pilgrim more and more into the world, and in the process brought him closer and closer to the Divine life, present in nature, in all its forms.

Through the sacramental activity of his senses, he came to understand God better. He heard the organ of the village church, and in the music of the three keys came to understand the Holy Trinity—a devotion that deepened in him for the rest of his life. Walking along the roads near Manresa, he came to understand the work of God, alive in Creation—seeing with his mind's eye, a radiance he could never fully explain to others, but felt in a deep and lasting way. In the people of Manresa, in whom he saw the beloved of Christ, he received the call to trim his hair and cut his nails—not for his own pride, but for love of them whom he could serve. While praying at Mass, and later along the road, he experienced the humanity of Christ, everywhere present—an experience that repeated itself from that time on, in the streets of Jerusalem and on the road to Padua. So moved was he by this incarnate presence that, as he said later, *“If there were no Scripture to teach us about these things of the Faith, he would be ready to die for them solely on the strength of what he had seen.”* Freed from the spiritualism of his first fervor—from his ego-driven notion of abandoning this world to please God—Iñigo began to know the God who dwelt at the heart of the world, waiting to be seen, waiting to be known by hearts opened by that surrender to grace.

Yet, while all of these experiences were important in rescuing the Pilgrim, Iñigo, from the despair that came to him when he tried to make his own way to sanctity, no experience was as crucial as the one that happened on the banks of the River Cardoner. As he walked along, about a mile from Manresa, Iñigo sat down for a moment to pray, gazing out across the waters of that flowing stream. Decades later, pressed by his Companions to narrate his autobiography, Ignatius could still recall the event with undimmed vivacity: *“As he sat there the eyes of his understanding were opened, and though he saw no vision, he understood and perceived many things, numerous spiritual things as well as matters touching on faith and learning, and this was with an elucidation so bright that all these things seemed new to him. He cannot expound in detail what he then understood, for there were many things, but he can state that he received such a lucidity in understanding that during the course of his entire life—now having passed his sixty-second year—if he were to gather all the helps he received from God*

*and everything he knew, and add them together, he does not think they would add up to all that he received on that one occasion. After this lasted for some time, he went to kneel before a cross, which was near that place, to give thanks to God.”*

Like the burning bush of Moses, or the light and voice that struck down Paul on the road to Damascus, the illumination of Iñigo—who would become Ignatius—on the banks of the Cardoner entailed not a withdrawal from the world, but a deeper immersion into its truth and power. For the rest of his life—as a Pilgrim to Jerusalem, or the founder of the Jesuits—whenever he was asked to explain his spiritual vision, Ignatius would return to the Cardoner, telling the questioner, simply, that his vision came from *“something that happened to me at Manresa.”* In that singular moment, Iñigo comes to find, in its fullness, what the preceding moments of insight had led him towards: the God who is the deep-down of all Creation, the Son of God who enters into that Creation to redeem it and make it whole, and the Spirit of God, the breath that continues to be felt in the moving streams and the chiming bells, in the humble gifts of bread and wine, and in the tears and laughter of all those whom we encounter every day. Far from the dualism that would divide reality into the *“sacred”* and the *“profane,”* Iñigo at the Cardoner experiences the union and communion of reality, in which profanity is nothing, except our inability or unwillingness to see the active presence of God at the heart of this sacred and sacramental world. From the Cardoner comes the Ignatian principle that we are called *“To seek God in all things and all things in God”*—a principle manifested in the diversity of Jesuit education, where all that is true can lead one to God; manifested in the activism of Jesuit social ministry, where the service of God is realized always through the service of one's neighbor. The power of the Cardoner leads Ignatius to Jerusalem and to Paris, inspires him to draw Companions to himself and then to send them wherever the need is great. In the grace of the Cardoner, the Jesuits came to establish the Vatican Observatory, which scanned the heavens as a holy work, and the Jesuit Pope, Francis came to write *Laudato Sí*, which sought to remind the whole world of the sacredness of this, our common home.

If the theophany given to Ignatius at the River Cardoner was a grace singular to him, it was not because God seeks to withhold a similar grace from each of us. In this month when we celebrate the Season of Creation, let us recall our own Cardoner moments—when we stood at a river's edge or in the midst of a mountain glade, when we listened to the roar of the sea or the laughter of our children—and let us believe in the living God, who has given us this world, and one another, as a lasting sign of the divine and abiding Presence.

*John S.*

# TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Please take a moment to silence your cell phones.*

## Entrance Song (5&11) *All Creatures Of Our God and King*

*Temple*

1. All crea - tures of our God and King, Lift  
2. Dear moth - er earth, who day by day Un -  
3. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, And

up your voice and with us sing: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! O  
folds rich bless - ings on our way, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! The  
wor - ship God in hum - ble - ness, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Oh

burn - ing sun with gold - en beam And  
fruits and flow'rs that ver - dant grow, Let  
praise the Fa - ther, praise the Son, And

sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -  
them God's glo - ry al - so show.  
praise the Spi - rit, Three in One!

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## (5:30) *Ubi Caritas*

*Taize*

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - - - mor,  
u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.



## (9) All You Works Of God

Haugen

All you works of God, ev - 'ry moun - tain, star and tree, bless the one  
5 — who shapes your beau - ty, who has caused you all to  
8 be one great song of love and grace, ev - er an - cient ev - er  
12 new. Raise your voi - ces, all you works of God. —  
17 1. Sun and moon: bless your Ma - ker! Stars of heav - en: —  
2. All the earth: Hills and moun - tains:  
3. Wells and springs: Seas and riv - ers:  
4. Fly - ing birds: Beasts and cat - tle:  
20 Chant your praise! Show - ers and dew:  
Green things that grow:  
Whales in the deep:  
Chid - ren at play:  
23 Raise up — your joy - ful song.

## Gloria

See Cards In Pews

## First Reading

Sirach 27:30-28:7

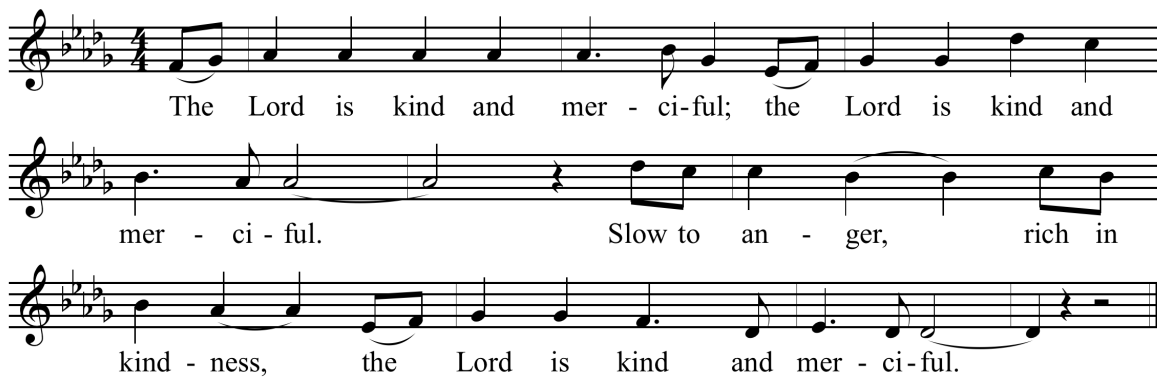
Wrath and anger are hateful things,  
yet the sinner hugs them tight.  
The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance,  
for he remembers their sins in detail.  
Forgive your neighbor's injustice;  
then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven.  
Could anyone nourish anger against another  
and expect healing from the LORD?  
Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself,  
can he seek pardon for his own sins?  
If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath,  
who will forgive his sins?  
Remember your last days, set enmity aside;  
remember death and decay, and cease from sin!  
Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbor;  
remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.



## Responsorial Psalm

### Psalm 103

Cotter



Bless the Lord, oh my soul; all my being bless God's name.

Bless the Lord, oh my soul, forget not all Gods benefits.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, full of kindness.

God is good to all creation, full of compassion.

The goodness of God is form age to age, blessing those who choose to love.

And justice towards Gods children; on all who keep the covenant.

## Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9

Brothers and sisters: None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

## Gospel Acclamation

Walker/O'Carroll



## Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay

back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

Homily

Julian Climaco, S.J.

# Offertory Songs (5&11) Where Charity and Love Prevail

Benoit



1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, There God is ev - er found; Brought  
 2. With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear God's char - i - ty we learn; Let  
 3. For - give we now each oth - er's faults As we our faults con - fess; And  
 4. Let strife a - mong us be un - known, Let all con - ten - tion cease; Be  
 5. Let us re - call that in our midst Dwells God's be - got - ten Son; As  
 6. No race nor creed can love ex - clude, If hon - ored be God's name; Our



here to - geth - er by Christ's love, By love are we thus bound.  
 us with heart and mind and soul Now love him in re - turn.  
 let us love each oth - er well In Chris - tian ho - li - ness.  
 God's the glo - ry that we seek, Be ours God's ho - ly peace.  
 mem - bers of his bod - y joined, We are in him made one.  
 fam - i - ly em - brac - es all Whose Fa - ther is the same.

## (9) Choral Anthem: I Give You A New Comandment

Aston

I give you a new commandment: love one another, love one another.

As I have loved you, so you are to love one another.

If there is this love among you then all will know that you are my disciples.

## (5:30) We Have Been Told

Haas



We have been told, we've seen his face, and heard his voice a -



live in our hearts; "Live in my love with all your heart, as the



Fa - ther has loved me, so I have loved you."



## Holy, Holy, Holy

## Mass of Wisdom

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly — Lord God of hosts.

Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na!

Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high-est.

## Mystery of Faith

We pro - claim your death, O Lord, and pro - fess your

re - sur - rec - tion, un - til you come a - gain.

## Great Amen

A - men. A - men. A - men.

## Lamb of God

*Cantor* Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world, have

*All* mer - cy on — us. *Cantor* Lamb of God, you take a - way the

*All* sins of world, — grant — us — peace. —

### All Are Invited To Come Forward

*During communion, we invite all to come forward. If you do not ordinarily receive Eucharist, or choose not to, come for a blessing, indicating your desire by putting your hand on your heart.*

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



## Communion Antiphon

*Psalm 116*

*Haugen*



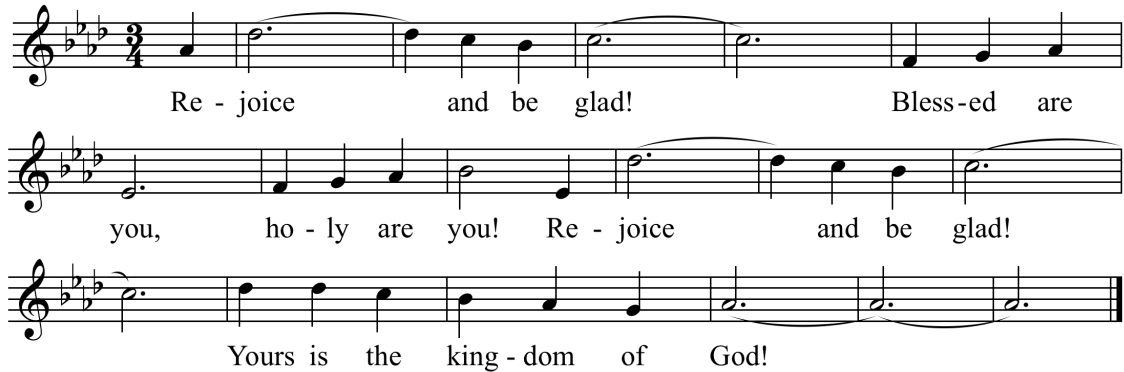
Our bless-ing cup is a com - mun - ion with the blood of the Lord.  
How can I make a return to the Lord for all God has done for me.  
The cup of salvation, I will take up, I will call upon the name of the Lord.

Precious, indeed, in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones;  
and I am your servant, your chosen one, for you have set me free.

## Communion Song

*Blest Are They*

*Haas*



Re - joice and be glad! Bless-ed are

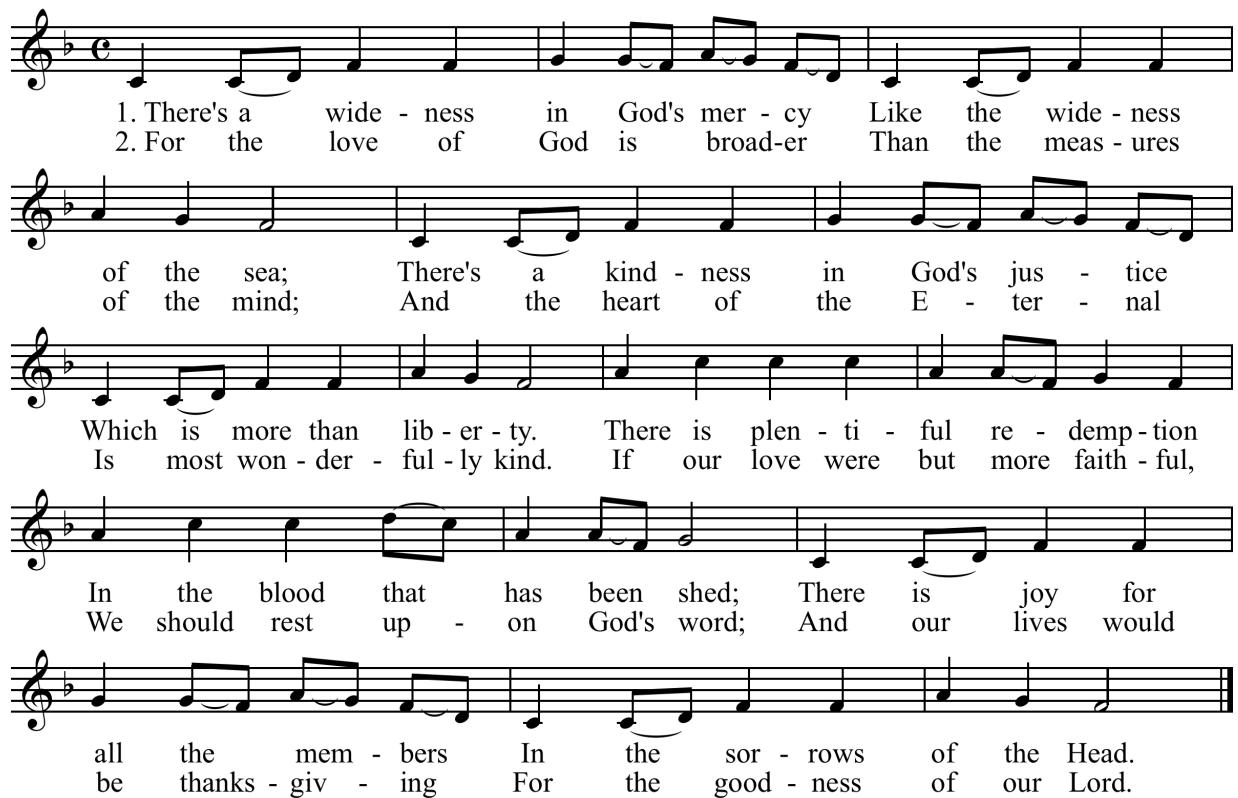
you, ho - ly are you! Re - joice and be glad!

Yours is the king - dom of God!

## Song of Praise

*(5&11) There's A Wideness in God's Mercy*

*HOLY MANNA*



1. There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy Like the wide - ness  
2. For the love of God is broad-er Than the meas - ures

of the sea; There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice  
of the mind; And the heart of the E - ter - nal

Which is more than lib - er - ty. There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion  
Is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more faith - ful,

In the blood that has been shed; There is joy for  
We should rest up - on God's word; And our lives would

all the mem - bers In the sor - rows of the Head.  
be thanks - giv - ing For the good - ness of our Lord.

(9&5:30) *Lead Me, Lord*

Becker

Verses



Bless-ed are the mer - ci - ful, for mer - cy shall be theirs,  
Blest are they who through their life - times sow the seeds of peace,  
and the pure in heart shall see their God.  
all will call them chil - dren of the Lord.  
Blest are they whose hun - ger on - ly ho - li - ness can fill,  
Blest are you, though per - se - cu - ted in your ho - ly life,  
for I say they shall be sat - is - fied.  
for in heav - en, great is your re - ward.

Refrain



Lead me, Lord, lead me, Lord, by the light of  
truth to seek and to find the nar - row - way.  
Be my way; be my truth; be my life, my  
Lord, and lead me, Lord, to - day.

## 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.

# THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

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## Sunday

9:00 AM Mass  
10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join us!  
11:00 AM Mass  
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



## 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](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1652 to learn how you can help with this vibrant ministry.

## 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 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](mailto:samkennedy09@gmail.com) with any questions.

## 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

## FAITH FORMATION

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### 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](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org)  
***All are welcome on this journey of faith!***

## Attention All Students in Grades 6th, 7th , & 8th

St. Joseph Parish is hosting a middle school focus group and we need to hear from you! Please contact Dottie Farewell at [dfarewell@stjosephparish.org](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org) for more information.

# 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 **Sunday, October 1st** for children pre-school age thru junior high. Deadline to register is September 30. To volunteer, please contact Dottie at [dfarewell@stjosephparish.org](mailto: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 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.

## High School Confirmation Registration is open now!

High School Confirmation begins October 8th. An information meeting for parents and students will be held on September 24th after the 9:00 AM Mass in the Mother Teresa room, Parish Center. A second information meeting will be Wednesday, October 4th at 8:00 PM in the Brebeuf room, Parish Center with our High School Youth Group. To register, visit our Homepage tile Let's Get Started [www.stjosephparish.org](http://www.stjosephparish.org) Questions? Please contact Theresa at [theresa@stjosephparish.org](mailto:theresa@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1651. Deadline to register is October 6th!

**To sign up, visit our homepage:  
[www.stjosephparish.org](http://www.stjosephparish.org)**





# FAITH FORMATION

## Faith Formation Commission We Need You

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](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1652.

## Catechetical Sunday

We bless our teachers at the **9 am Mass on Sunday, September 17th**. This ministry of teaching in the name of the Church has a profound dignity, which is why catechists are formally commissioned by the Church. It is only fitting that we set aside a day to highlight this ministry and invite the entire church community to think about our responsibility to share our faith with others.

**Join us in praying for our wonderful catechists.**

Dawn Gomez childcare

Jocelyn Dulanie preK

Doreen Twohy Kindergarten

CFF2 Monica Alquist and Lisa Visintainer

CFF3/4 Theresa Clark & Gaby Reyes

CFF Junior High Peter Heymann & Meredith Wright  
High School Confirmation Corbin Johnson, Erin Flotte,  
Adam Skarr

High School Youth group: Sam Kennedy, Kelda Byrne,  
and Grace Little

**Child Care is open Sunday mornings  
during 9am Mass in the Social Hall.  
Please visit our Homepage  
to register.**

## Adult Faith Formation

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](mailto:theresaL@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1651. We are looking for 4-6 new members who can commit to a 1-3 year term.

## CFF still needs your help!

Faith Formation Needs You! We have over 200 children in our Sunday School and Youth Group programs. This vibrant and critical ministry is only successful with the help of an army of volunteers. The following volunteer positions are still needed:

**CFF1:** 1st year of the two year Sac Prep program; class meets after the 9am mass from 10:15-11am in the parish center. Class begins October 1st (major holidays/breaks off). Parent volunteers are also needed to assist.

**CFF 5/6 co-teacher:** general religious education for those who just recently completed First Communion. Class meets after the 9am mass from 10:15-11am in the parish center.

**CFF Substitutes Needed:** If you have teaching experience but not enough time to commit to every week. We still need you! Please add your name to our substitute roster, lessons provided and easy to follow. Please email Dottie Farewell at [dfarewell@stjosephparish.org](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org)

# PARISH LIFE



## Women's Ministry Fall Retreat

*Sweet Life Cafe*  
*A Spiritual Stay-treat*  
**September 29 & 30, 2017**

Friday, Sept, 29th, 6 to 9 pm and Saturday, Sept 30th 9 to 3 pm. Fill your spiritual cup at our very own St. Joseph Parish Center. On the menu: Spiritual speaker/author, Cara Meredith. Reflection and small group sharing. Selection of peaceful faith experiences such as yoga, art, prayer and walks. Cost \$50 including Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast and lunch. To register contact [stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org) or [women@stjosephparish.org](mailto:women@stjosephparish.org) Questions? Contact [smarie49@comcast.net](mailto:smarie49@comcast.net)

## 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](mailto:averyhaller@outlook.com) or 206-459-1768

## 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.

## Women's Ministry Mom's Gatherings are back!

Join other Moms to connect and reflect.  
All ages & stages welcome!  
Featuring Author/Speaker/Coach Cara Meredith

Sundays October 8, 15, 22, & 28, 2017 from  
10:15-11:45 AM in Social Hall classroom.

Childcare Available ~ Attend any number of sessions  
Drop-ins welcome ~ \$30 fee includes childcare

Please contact [women@stjosephparish.org](mailto:women@stjosephparish.org) or  
[stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org) for questions or to sign up.

## Seniors On The Go

**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](mailto:franceschikahisa@me.com)

**Wednesday, October 4th** - Please join us to see the play "RELATIVITY" at the Taproot Theatre, 2 pm matinee. Cost is \$10.00 per ticket. Please bring a lunch. We will leave the Parish Center at 11:45 am and arrive home around 4:15 pm. To register and Pre-pay for tickets contact Renee at (206) 324-2522 ext 100 or [rleet@stjosephparish.org](mailto:rleet@stjosephparish.org)

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

## Men's Ministry Save the Date

**Fall Weekend Retreat at Camp Casey, Whidbey Island,  
Fri. Oct. 20th, 8:00 pm - Sun. Oct. 22nd, 11:00 am**



# FAITH JUSTICE

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## One Parish, One Prisoner Prison Re-entry Program

St. Joseph's has accepted an invitation from the Archdiocese of Seattle to be a "pilot Church" for a new Prison Re-Entry program in collaboration with The Department of Corrections and Underground Ministries.

We are looking for parishioners to be part of our "RE-ENTRY SUPPORT TEAM". Please join us for an informational gathering on **Monday, October 2nd 7-8:30 pm in the Parish Center.**

Orientation meeting is Saturday, October 28th, 10am-2:30 pm in Mt. Vernon, WA. We will carpool using the Parish Bus. If interested, please contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or [stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org)

## 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.

**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.

To volunteer contact Taffy McCormick at [wintershelter@stjosephparish.org](mailto:wintershelter@stjosephparish.org) or Deacon Steve at [stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto: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!

## Furnishings Needed Parish Family From Syria

A St. Joseph's Parishioner has graciously offered his home to our Syrian family for 6-8 months while he is temporarily relocated for work. They will be moving to North Seattle in the last week of September and we need the following items for the family. Couch, coffee table, queen or king size bed set, 2 dressers, lamps, Flatscreen TV, laptop, Crib for one year son, miscellaneous household items. We are also looking for volunteers to pick up and transport any donations. We are also able to accept any cash donations for the family to purchase any smaller household items. To help with any of the above, contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or [stevew@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevew@stjosephparish.org)

## El Salvador Forum

The Cost of War: US Intervention & Salvadoran Immigrants Twenty-Five Years Later

Wednesday, September 20th, 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
Phinney Neighborhood Center

Twenty five years have passed since the signing of the Peace Accords that ended the Civil War in El Salvador. Today many communities are still engaged in solidarity relationships with El Salvador which reels from extreme violence, poverty and mass exodus. This time many of the people fleeing the country are women with young children and minors travelling north on their own. What lessons can El Salvador teach us about US led interventions and the cost of war in the context of current day conflicts around the world?

## Tent City

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.

# LITURGY AND WORSHIP



## Music Ministry

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. Rehearsals are Thursdays, October 5th & October 12th. 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](mailto:j.tilghmanhavens@gmail.com) and [mtilghmanhavens@gmail.com](mailto:mtilghmanhavens@gmail.com).

## Ecumenical Blessing of the Animals on the Feast Of St. Francis of Assisi

Wednesday, October 4 | 6:30 PM  
Outside on front lawn of St. Joseph Parish, Seattle

We continue the tradition of blessing all animals with shared prayer open to all. Please bring your pets for a blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi as a sign of our care for God's Creation.

Sponsored by: St. Joseph Parish, IPJC & Earth Ministry

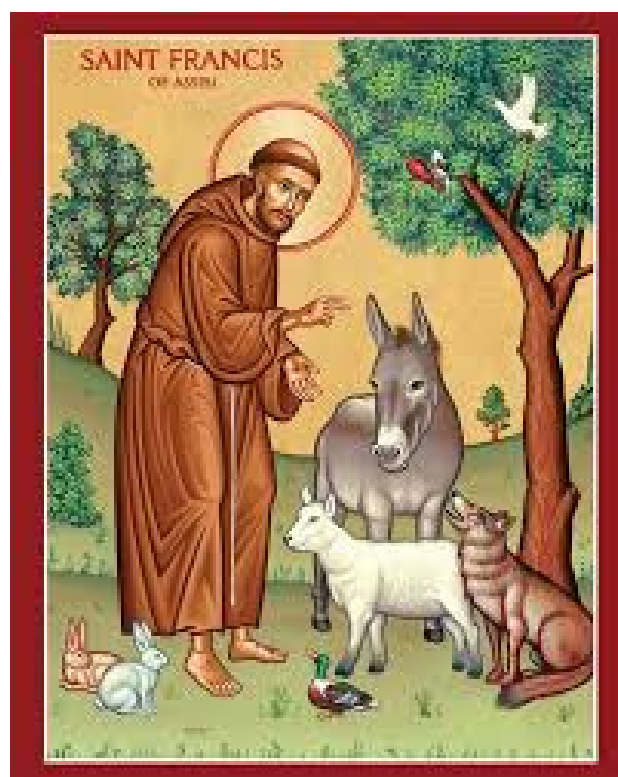
## Altar Server Program

St. Joseph Parish is looking for students interested in altar serving at Sunday Masses throughout the year. This is a great service opportunity as well as helpful participation. If you are in 5th thru 8th grade and would like to learn more, please contact Dottie Farewell at [dfarewell@stjosephparish.org](mailto:dfarewell@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1652.

## 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/>



**"The very flowers of the field and the birds which his human eyes contemplated and admired are now imbued with his radiant presence."**

**~Pope Francis**





# LITURGY AND WORSHIP

**Come Pray With Us!**

## Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer on **Monday, September 18th 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 [sacred-silence@stjosephparish.org](mailto:sacred-silence@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.

### Prayer Tree



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Frank's upcoming surgery . . . For friends who are travelling to Portugal . . . For Evonne who has neuropathy . . . For Camille's happiness . . . Thankful for seeing blue skies and breathing fresh air in Seattle . . . For those who have suffered from the catastrophe of hurricanes, earthquakes and fires.

***"Forgive your neighbor's injustice;  
Then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven."***

***~Sirach 28:2***

## Need for Eucharistic Ministers

Well, summer is winding down and Autumn is right around the corner. The children are back in school and things are bustling around here. Many hundreds of parishioners are involved throughout the parish in a myriad of ministries that enliven our community life. Perhaps you are thinking of "getting involved" and joining a ministry yourself. Perhaps you are new to the parish and are discerning what your particular role might be. This is a great time of year to raise your hand and say "Here I am!" Let me introduce you to one such ministry: EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: *Yours is the work of ministering Christ's body and blood to the body of Christ, the church. You minister holy food to holy people in the holiest of all communions.* Eucharistic Ministers have a special delight and joy in sharing the Body and Blood of Christ with the "Body Of Christ." That is to say, we who are gathered to celebrate the paschal mystery: the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Eucharistic ministers have a particular gift for reverence. They are never hurried and put this reverence into practice when sharing the bread and the cup with others at communion while looking us in the eye and saying: "Body of Christ" or "Blood of Christ." To which we respond with: "Amen." Yes...so be it. They have a gift for being truly present to others in this brief moment they have and speak their own faith in these few words while calling forth the faith of the communicant in their response. They know they are brothers and sisters in this very body and blood they are sharing.

This ministry is open to all youth and adults who love the Eucharist, received the sacrament of Confirmation, and who strive to show Christ's love in their daily living.

### ***Get Involved***

For more information and to become part of this important ministry, please visit the parish website or contact Ministry Lead, Mary Sepulveda at [eucharisticministers@stjosephparish.org](mailto:eucharisticministers@stjosephparish.org) Also, Mary will be present in the vestibule after the masses on the weekend of Sept 17th to meet you and sign you up. Ministers are needed especially for 5PM Saturday, 11AM Sunday and 5:30 PM Sunday.

The annual gathering of Eucharistic Ministers is **Wednesday evening Sept. 27th** in the Arrupe Room in the Parish Center. This would be a great opportunity to find out more about this ministry and meet some of the great folks who are already involved. Social at 6, dinner at 6:30, program from 7-8:15 pm

# ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL AUCTION

# ST. JOSEPH



**FRIDAY  
NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>**

**5-9<sup>PM</sup>**

**MECHANICAL BULL**



**RING TOSS**



**FOOD ★ CORN DOGS  
HOT DOGS ★ TACOS  
OLD FASHION CAKE & PIE WALK**



**FAMILY FUN**



**FISHER SCONE TRUCK  
SILENT & LIVE AUCTION**



## Introducing St. Joseph Parish Tote Bags!

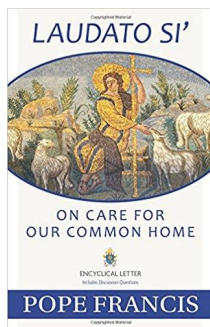
*The earth is essentially a shared inheritance,  
whose fruits are meant to benefit everyone.*

- Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*

The Tote Bags will be given away at the Parish Picnic September 17<sup>th</sup>

- Use your bag around town
- Fill it with food to share the goods of the earth with St. Francis House
- Bring it to church
- Take it home with you and repeat

These bags are to serve as a reminder that we are called to care care for our common home, as layed out in Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'*. You are encouraged to prayerfully consideration what steps, small or large can be taken to step back from the *throw away culture* and instead contribute to the welfare of our neighbors.



## Adult Faith Formation

Is celebrating the Season of Creation with various events and we will be providing copies of

**A READING OF LAUDATO SI':**

**Understanding Pope Francis on Our Common Home**

By John D. Whitney, SJ

For those that do not have a copy of *Laudato Si* copies will be available for \$10