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# St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE





"Behold the Lamb of God."



| SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME          |
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| JANUARY 14, 2018                        |
| Homily This Week: Deacon Steve          |
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| Homily Next Week: John D. Whitney, S.J. |
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Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday - 5 pm Sunday - 9:00 am, 11 am & 5:30 pm

#### Readings for January 21, 2018

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

Weekday Mass Schedule Monday - Friday, 7 am, Parish Center Reconciliation Saturday - 3:30-4:15 pm in the Church

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#### **Chariots and Steeds of Israel**

In we shuffle, hooded amplitudes, scapulared brooms, a stray earring, skin-heads and flowing locks, blind in one eye, hooked-nosed, handsome as a prince (and knows it), a five-thumbed organist, an acolyte who sings in quarter tones, one slightly swollen keeper of the bees, the carpenter minus a finger here and there, our pre-senile writing deathless verse, a stranded sailor, a Cassian scholar, the artist suffering the visually illiterate and indignities unnamed, two determined liturgists. In a word, eager purity and weary virtue. Last of all, the Lord Abbot, early old (shepherding the saints is like herding cats). These chariots and steeds of Israel make a black progress into church. A rumble of monks bows low and offers praise to the High God of Gods who is faithful forever.

#### -Kilian McDonnell-

"The Monks of St. John's File in for Prayer"

Every Monday morning and every Friday, and other days when needed, I rise around 5:30, to get to the parish early enough to unlock the church and prepare for the 7:00 am Mass. From late spring to early fall, these early mornings are relatively easy—especially when the light is streaming up Roy Street, even before I hit the sidewalk. But in the winter, when darkness and clouds lie over the morning like an extra blanket, encouraging me to snuggle deeper into my bed for just a few more minutes, it is only duty that rouses me: the sometimes grumpy acknowledgement that I signed up for this and that I owe it to the women and men who come faithfully to St. Joseph—often on their way to work—longing for the word of God and for the taste of hope given by the Eucharist. And under the spray of the hot shower, where my morning prayer usually begins, I see the grace of this duty as I contemplate the faces in that morning crowd: the women and men, whom I have known since my first days at St. Joseph, who carry the legacy of all those who have gone before, even while welcoming new attendees into this small and precious circle of hope. I think of those who come because the Mass is offered for someone they love and have lost, and of those who come late or leave early because the demands of home or call of work leaves little room for them to feed their hunger. And I think, especially, of those I do not know, who come—as I did to a chapel in Chicago, long ago—because they feel adrift and confused, and find comfort in this small and constant community, this eternal gift wrapped in homespun and offered with little flourish or grandeur. I think of all of them—the lifers and the life-boat seekers, the retired and those needing a moment's respite—and suddenly, I am glad to be awake, even in the dark and rain, and glad to be on my way to Mass with all of these, my fellow pilgrims, my sisters and brothers of "eager purity and weary virtue" who hold me to account and raise me into the presence of God.

These days, however, the bitterness of winter seems more pronounced than it has been in the past, seems to go beyond the weather and the season, penetrating the heart and touching the soul. Recognizing this chilling darkness (for we have met before), I know it is not just rain or snow that makes me want to hide in bed, but all the tempests of venality and cruelty, of greed and selfishness, of lies and violence, of pettiness and ideological posturing that seem to envelop our world. We are lashed by these tempests whenever we turn on the television or check our social media. Instead of the warmth of hope and compassion, we hear the empty wind of national security and self-protection, of border walls and the undeserving poor. We see our nation threatening to deport those who have known no other home than this, and we watch as the doors are closed on those refugees who stand, dying on our doorstep. At the same time, the dark specter of war-even nuclear war-threatens our children and chills our hearts; while the endless cycle of violence and incursion in Africa and the Middle East, in Asia and Latin America continues, like an almost unperceived drizzle, to wear away at our joy and hope. Every day new lies buffet us, and the ideological winds of left and right seem impossible to navigate, driving us to seek shelter in our own small world, our own private island of indifference and despair, or of certainty and resignation. Perhaps we want to resist, we want to think things through and act from our best selves, but it seems too much amid all the ordinary demands of work and family, of friends and children.

These are temptations that drive me—drive many of us, I believe—towards silence and passivity on the one hand, or towards ideology and dogmatism on the other. Resting in our own small place of privilege, our island of comfort, we pull the blankets higher and hope that the storm will pass. Or, we simply roll over to one side or the other, denying the powers of discernment and prayer and accepting the ideological certainty that protects us from the truly human cost of our position. These are the two sides of a single temptation, a temptation St. Ignatius grounds in "the enemy of our human nature," a temptation that wants to keep us from joining the community of believers, the community of those who recognize their own sin and the sin of the world, and yet still feel invited to the altar of compassion.

At this altar certainty gives way to faith, and ideology gives way to incarnation. Far from avoiding the storm, here we are called to trust in the One who sometimes seems asleep in the back of the boat—called to trust even as the storm seems about to overwhelm us. Here

we are told that death will become life, and that we, for all our weakness and disorder, are made to be ministers of life, women and men fed on the bread of hope and the wine of resurrection. Here we become a community, whose power is not weapons but compassion, whose peace is not ideology but mercy, and whose resistance is not self-righteousness but unfailing welcome to life in all its forms, especially those lives judged unworthy or undeserving by the world. Here, at the altar of the Crucified Christ, we do not sit down in privilege, but rise up in love to enter the storm, to find the forgotten, to bless those whom others have cursed. Here, we overcome despair by being a community of love and service, by becoming a Church of life, who "bows low and offers praise / to the High God of Gods who is faithful forever."

John of



#### **WELCOME!**

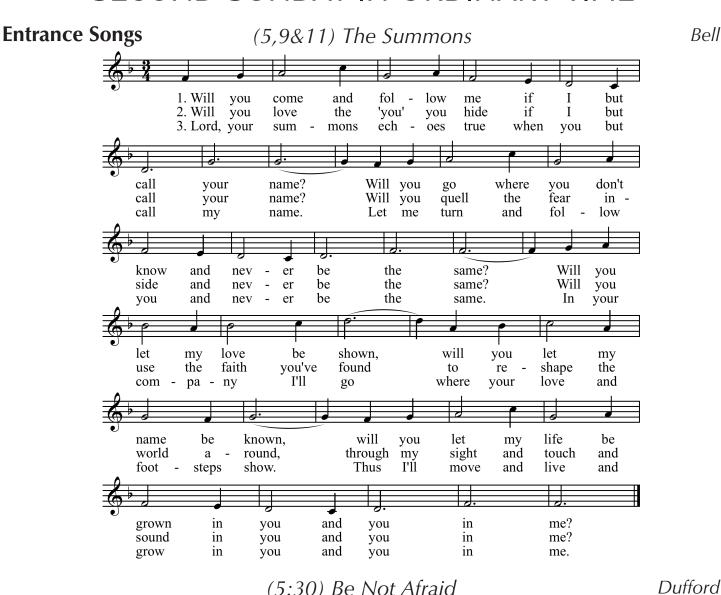
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**Register!** Are you a Catholic attending Mass at St. Joseph Parish, yet haven't officially registered? Join us!

Why register? St. Joseph Church is a vibrant parish offering many avenues for ministry, connecting with other parishioners and spiritual development. We'd love to get to know you, connect with you, and inform you of our various activities, groups and events going on at the church. Please pick up a registration form in the back of the church or go online to register at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Join Our Parish" link.

#### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

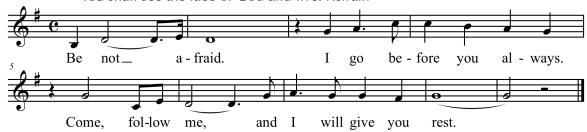
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1. You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst.

You shall wander far in safety, though you do not know the way. You shall speak your words in foreign lands, and all will understand,

You shall see the face of God and live. Refrain



2. If you pass through raging waters in the sea, you shall not drown. If you walk amidst the burning flames, you shall not be harmed.

If you stand before the pow'r of hell and death is at your side,

know that I am with you, through it all. Ref.

3. Blessed are your poor, for the Kingdom shall be theirs. Blest are you that weep and mourn for one day you shall laugh. And if wicked ones insult and hate you, all because of me, Blessed, blessed are you! Ref.

#### **First Reading**

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD where the ark of God was. The LORD called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am." Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me." "I did not call you, " Eli said. "Go

back to sleep." So he went back to sleep. Again the LORD called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli. "Here I am, " he said. "You called me." But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep."

At that time Samuel was not familiar with the LORD, because the LORD had not revealed anything to him as yet. The LORD called Samuel again, for the third time. 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me." Then Eli understood that the LORD was calling the youth. So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, Speak, LORD, for your servant

is listening." When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

#### Psalm 40

**Psallite** 



I waited, I waited for the Lord who stooped down to me, and heard my cry. God put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for Holocaust and victim. Instead, here I am.

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart.

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, oh Lord.

I have not hidden your justice in my heart but declared your faithful help. I have not hidden your love and your truth from the great assembly.

#### **Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Brothers and sisters: The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body; God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power.

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. Avoid immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the immoral person sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been purchased at a price. Therefore glorify God in your body.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

#### Alleluia 7

Berthier



Gospel John 1:35-42

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" — which translated means Teacher —, "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about

four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" — which is translated Christ —. Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas" — which is translated Peter.

# Homily Deacon Steve Wodzanowski Vulpius

#### **Baptismal Acclamation (5)**



#### **Offertory Song**

#### Answer When I Call

Foley



Verse 1: Like an owl in the desert, a sparrow alone and astray, I watch, I wait.

Verse 2: Like the grass of the summer, like shadows that wither and fade, O God, I wait.

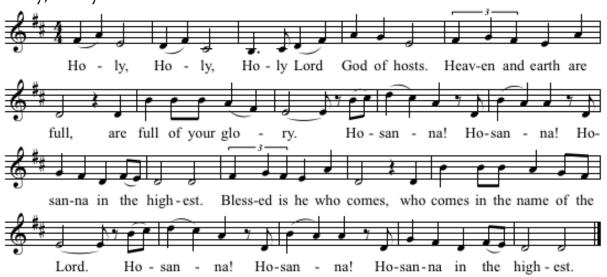
Verse 3: Turn an ear to my pleading. O hear me, O God of my heart. I wait, I pray.

#### 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.

#### Holy, Holy, Holy



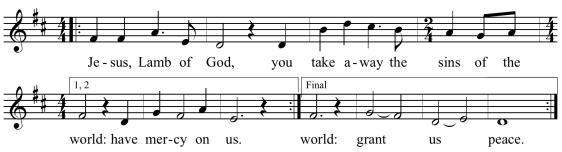
#### **Mystery of Faith**



#### **Great Amen**



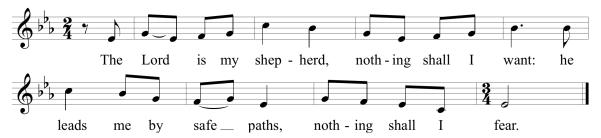
#### **Lamb of God**



#### **Communion Songs**

#### My Shepherd Is the Lord

Murray





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#### **Prayer Of the Seamless Garment**

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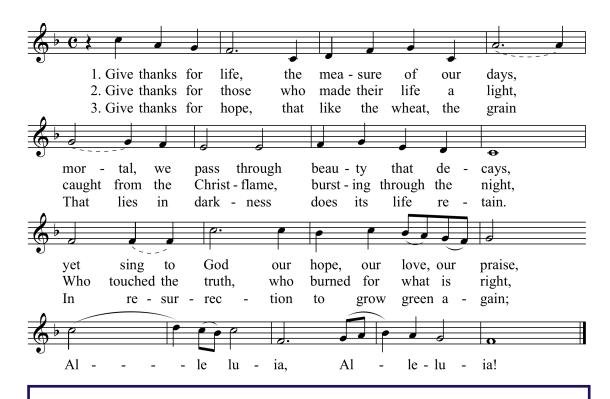
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Loving God, holy and true: you are the Father of all Creation, the Mother of all that lives. In you, all life has its beginning, all forms of life reveal your loving plan. You have woven human life into a seamless garment, and clothed your people in your sacred Word. May we honor your Incarnation by honoring all who live: infant or aged, sinner or saint, woman or man, those possessed of much or those who live in dispossession. All are works of your hand, bearers of your Spirit, sisters and brothers of your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

Amen

will

hold



Please join us in praying for the Guerrero family as their baby is baptized this weekend!

# THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

#### 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 Prayer Group

7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Group

#### **Tuesday**

#### Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass

#### **Thursday**

7:00 AM Mass

#### **Friday**

7:00 AM Mass

#### **Saturday**

3:30-4:30 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

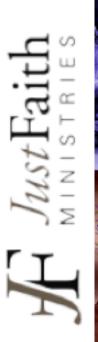
#### **EASTER DELEGATION TO EL SALVADOR**

MARCH 28TH - April 4th 2017

Padre Miguel, Pastor of our Sister Parish in El Salvador has invited our community to send a parish delegation down to celebrate the TRIDIUUM (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil) with them. If you are interested in going, please contact Deacon Steve for details at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org



# Faith Justice Commission Presents A Small Group Education & Faith Sharing Program





# **Exploring Migration: A Faith Journey**

- Program meets on Wednesdays Beginning Feb. 21st and ending on Apr. 18th 9 sessions altogether including an Immersion Ana Martins and Vince Herberholt are the facilitators.
- Each session is 2 hours long 7:00 9:00 pm Sessions will be held in the Parish Center.
- Sessions are organized around 3 main themes:
  - History and facts surrounding migration
  - Theological perspectives on migration
  - Discernment & Action addressing the challenges of migration
- Sessions include: prayer, dialogue, active listening and relationship building.
- Learning resources include: articles, online viewing, and two resource books.
- Registration fee for books and materials \$28 scholarships available

## To Register contact Dn. Steve:

206-965-1646 or SteveW@stjosephparish.org

#### For More Information Contact:

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## LITURGY AND WORSHIP

# Come Pray With Us! Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer on **Monday, January 15th, 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.

# Top reasons you should consider joining the St. Joseph Music Ministry

- 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 in the parish."

Prayer St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Sarah's new baby . . . For Nancy in her recovery from major surgery . . . For George as he heals . . . For Terri's hearing loss to be resolved . . . For Ana's upcoming neurological evaluation.

"Take care of your spiritual life,
Your relationship with God,
Because this is the backbone of everything
We do and everywhere we are."
~ Pope Francis' 2018 Resolutions for us

Rest in Peace - Tom Kobayashi, 101 years old, who served the St. Vincent de Paul Society for 75 years.

- 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 Thursday evenings from 7-9 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@stjospephparish.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 after school rehearsals before each mass. The date of the next Children's Choir Sunday is February 11th. All 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@stjospephparish.org or 206-965-1649.

## FAITH FORMATION

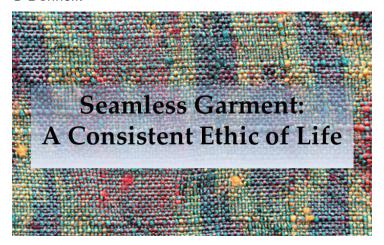
#### Children's Baptism

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children -- Children who have not yet been baptized by the age of seven years old receive full initiation (Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation) into the church during the Easter season. Children participate in preparation classes as a group to learn about the Catholic faith. Parents and godparents are selected and are also an active part of the child's faith formation during this time. Children's Baptism -- If you have a child age five to seven years old, and he or she would like to be baptized into the Catholic Faith, then this is the program for you! Preparation begins in January with the Sacrament of Baptism taking place this upcoming April. Questions? Contact Dottie Farewell at 206-965-1652 or dfarewell@ stjosephparish.org

#### **Adult Faith Formation**

Seamless Garment: A Consistent Ethic of Life Monday, February 5 | 6:00 – 8:30 PM

During the Season of Life, join us for a panel discussion that explores the interrelatedness of the dignity of life ranging from war & peace, abortion, and the death penalty. Patty Bowman from IPJC will weave together the various principles of the seamless garment and a panel will address issues from their experiences. Panelists include: Annapatrice Johnson, Maryknoll, Susan Fox and Shannon O'Donnell.



#### 11am Mass Altar Servers Needed

St. Joseph Parish Altar Server Program is looking for students interested in altar serving at the 11 am Sunday Mass. 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 or 206-965-1652.



# **Living Justice: Understanding Catholic Social Teaching**

Tuesday, January 16, 23 & 30 | 7:00-8:30 PM Parish Center

Take a step back from the news headlines and look at the roots of the social teaching of our faith. If you want to make a difference in our world, discover the Church's teachings on the social issues and live a faith that does justice. In this introductory course, we will explore the key figures and themes found in Catholic Social Teaching.

Week 1 – Scriptural Roots & Inherited Tradition of Catholic Social Teaching

Week 2 - Principles and Themes of Catholic Social Teaching

Week 3 - From Charity to Justice the Role of Catholic Social Teaching Today

Materials provided. For more information please contact Theresa Lukasik theresal@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1651.

# **Sunday Parenting Group: Love** in the Family

The Faith Formation Office is pleased to introduce a new parenting educational opportunity we are calling "Love in the Family," on Sunday mornings during coffee and donut hour following the 9am Mass. Join other families as we explore our faith through the lens of raising children in our world today. We will hand out current articles and reflection pieces to guide our conversations on various topics ranging from "how to serve others with kids," to "how to navigate our Catholic faith in our 21st Century culture." All gatherings will be facilitated and materials provided. No cost. This is also a great time to meet families and connect and converse during hospitality. All are welcome! Please meet by the Social Hall stage around 10:20am. For more information, contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652.

## **STEWARDSHIP**

Many, many thanks to all who have made gifts and pledges to our annual stewardship appeal. **To date, we have received 750 pledges totaling \$1,049,467 toward our goal of \$1,500,000.** We are endlessly grateful for your commitment to St. Joseph Parish! If you haven't yet affirmed your active membership in our parish, please do so, and prayerfully consider what, if any, gift you are able to give to support our work. As always, for additional information please don't hesitate to contact Tina O'Brien, Director of Advancement, at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or (206) 965-1654. Many thanks!

# Pope-Pourri

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE 51st WORLD DAY OF PEACE 1 JANUARY 2018

#### 1. Heartfelt good wishes for peace

Peace to all people and to all nations on earth! Peace, which the angels proclaimed to the shepherds on Christmas night, is a profound aspiration for everyone, for each individual and all peoples, and especially for those who most keenly suffer its absence. Among these whom I constantly keep in my thoughts and prayers, I would once again mention the over 250 million migrants worldwide, of whom 22.5 million are refugees. Pope Benedict XVI, my beloved predecessor, spoke of them as "men and women, children, young and elderly people, who are searching for somewhere to live in peace." In order to find that peace, they are willing to risk their lives on a journey that is often long and perilous, to endure hardships and suffering, and to encounter fences and walls built to keep them far from their goal.

In a spirit of compassion, let us embrace all those fleeing from war and hunger, or forced by discrimination, persecution, poverty and environmental degradation to leave their homelands.

We know that it is not enough to open our hearts to the suffering of others. Much more remains to be done before our brothers and sisters can once again live peacefully in a safe home. Welcoming others requires concrete commitment, a network of assistance and goodwill, vigilant and sympathetic attention, the responsible management of new and complex situations that at times compound numerous existing problems, to say nothing of resources, which are always limited. By practising the virtue of prudence, government leaders should take practical measures to welcome, promote, protect, integrate and, "within the limits allowed by a correct understanding of the common good, to permit [them] to become part of a new society." Leaders have a clear responsibility towards their own communities, whose legitimate rights and harmonious development they must ensure, lest they become like the rash builder who miscalculated and failed to complete the tower he had begun to construct.

2. Why so many refugees and migrants?

As he looked to the Great Jubilee marking the passage of two thousand years since the proclamation of peace by the angels in Bethlehem, Saint John Paul II pointed to the increased numbers of displaced persons as one of the consequences of the "endless and horrifying sequence of wars, conflicts, genocides and ethnic cleansings" that had characterized the twentieth century. To this date, the new century has registered no real breakthrough: armed conflicts and other forms of organized violence continue to trigger the movement of peoples within national borders and beyond.

Yet people migrate for other reasons as well, principally because they "desire a better life, and not infrequently try to leave behind the 'hopelessness' of an unpromising future." They set out to join their families or to seek professional or educational opportunities, for those who cannot enjoy these rights do not live in peace. Furthermore, as I noted in the Encyclical Laudato Si', there has been "a tragic rise in the number of migrants seeking to flee from the growing poverty caused by environmental degradation".

Most people migrate through regular channels. Some, however, take different routes, mainly out of desperation, when their own countries offer neither safety nor opportunity, and every legal pathway appears impractical, blocked or too slow.

Many destination countries have seen the spread of rhetoric decrying the risks posed to national security or the high cost of welcoming new arrivals, and thus demeaning the human dignity due to all as sons and daughters of God. Those who, for what may be political reasons, foment fear of migrants instead of building peace are sowing violence, racial discrimination and xenophobia, which are matters of great concern for all those concerned for the safety of every human being.

All indicators available to the international community suggest that global migration will continue for the future. Some consider this a threat. For my part, I ask you to view it with confidence as an opportunity to build peace.

## Parish Life

### **Young Adults**

**Big Climb Bake Sale** 

Team Mully is raising money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society as part of Big Climb 2018. Join us for a bake sale after the 9 am Mass only on Sunday, January 21 in the Parish Social Hall. All money raised goes toward blood cancer research and patient services. For more information about Team Mully's story visit: www.llswa.org/goto/TeamMully. For more information contact Callie Turgeon at cturgeon10@gmail.com

#### **Soulful Soups - Every Other Monday**

Join young adults for fun and fellowship at biweekly family-style dinners. The next dinner will be on Monday, January 22nd. Email Callie Turgeon for details and the address: cturgeon10@gmail.com

#### **Speed-Friending**

Eager to make new friends? Want to get connected with other young adults at church? Well look no further than St. Joe's Young Adult Speed Friending after the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday, January 28th. Get acquainted and get connected. Pizza and beverages provided.

#### Retreat

February 17 & 18th - Sign up on our website www.stjosephparish.org



#### **Seniors On The Go**

**Wednesday, January 17th** - Join us for *Aging Gracefully* our Senior support group, 11:00 am to noon.

**Friday, February 2nd** - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am. Join us for a luncheon after Mass.

**Thursday, February 22nd** - Join us for a Lenten Day of Reflection from 10am – 2pm – Parish Center. Presenter is Stephanie Ragland.

#### **Hope & Healing Group**

Join us for fellowship, prayer, and discussion around health, illness, and wellness. We will meet **Tuesday, January 23rd, from 7-8:30 pm** upstairs in the Jogues Room. All are welcome!

Contact Avery Haller at averyhaller@outlook.com or 206-459-1768 with questions.



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St. Joseph CYO Athletics is hosting a Mass and dinner for participants and families on Friday, January 19 at 6pm.



St. Sebastian Mass: In Honor of Catholic Athletes to celebrate athletes who have participated in the CYO sports program-past and present. We invite athletes, families, and coaches from St. Joseph and neighboring parishes to come on Friday, January 19th for Mass at 6:00 PM followed by dinner at 7:00 PM.

St. Joseph Parish looks forward to an evening of fellowship and celebration!

Please RSVP to Robby Hayes, St. Joseph Athletic Director at rhayes@stjosephsea.org or (206) 329-3260.