Epiphany: A Year in the Light

And because of His visitation, we may no longer desire God as if He were lacking: our redemption is no longer a question of pursuit but of surrender to Him who is always and everywhere present.

-W.H. Auden-

The Feast of the Epiphany, though originally set on 6 January, is today celebrated on the first Sunday following the New Year. The word, epiphany, derives from the Greek word, epiphania, which means manifestation, a term applied to this feast because it recalls the manifestation of the divinity of God in the humanity of Jesus. Associated with various gospel stories—e.g., the baptism of the Lord, and the wedding feast at Cana—in the Western Church, the feast, today, centers upon the visitation of the Magi to the infant Jesus and his parents. Though they were not Jews, the Magi saw the star and followed it to Jerusalem and then Bethlehem, believing it a manifestation of the birth of a great and royal person. With them, these astrologers brought three gifts of symbolic importance: gold, the sign of a king; frankincense, the offering for a god; and myrrh, the ointment used in the preparation of a body for burial. For early Church writers, the visit of the Magi prefigures the grace of Christ Jesus, given to every nation of the earth, and their gifts manifest the divine promise that the Kingdom of God will be accomplished through the suffering and death of God’s own Son. Even in the mere act of being born, Jesus manifests God’s gracious love and universal desire for our salvation. Like the star over Bethlehem, Jesus shines in the darkness, calling to himself all those who are willing to see, and revealing to them Emmanuel—God with us.

Yet, to limit the manifestation of God to one single moment, or even to one single life, denies the full grace and gift of Christ’s coming. For though the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus are revelations of God to the world, likewise, his gift of the Holy Spirit
reminds us that God is constantly being manifested in the Church—in the lives of the women and men, beloved of Jesus, who bear his Spirit every day. Thus, as we move into 2015, we do well to consider the epiphanies of our lives, and to recall all the moments, especially in this just completed year, that have been charged with God, and have ignited our hearts with faith, with hope, and with love.

Though I know I have missed many epiphanies in the last year—have closed my eyes to grace and hardened my heart, like Herod, through fear or distraction—three moments in my life at St. Joseph during 2014 continue to resonate in a special way with the glory and grace of God: the prayer service for Chris Miller, the death of Melissa Protz, and the marathon run of Matt Hipps.

When the news of Chris Miller’s accident came to me, it seemed unbelievable. The school year was winding towards conclusion: the eighth graders already released upon an unsuspecting world, and the release of the entire student body was near. To be struck by such a terrible event, an event that seemed to stop time, when all else was flying forward was almost unimaginable—as though a train going full speed suddenly threw on its brakes. It felt that there was nothing to do but pray, and so we decided to open the church, and offer that chance to the community. I was sitting in the front pew when the lines began to come forward: women and men, boys and girls, parents, teachers, neighbors, alumni, friends, family, some who came to church every day, others who had never been in St. Joseph. I had not looked back to see how many were there, but I saw the notes of prayer and hope, and saw the candles multiply—finally going up to help arrange them so more would fit in the pans. And in that candle light, I saw face after face, and felt, without doubt, the presence and power of God. It had nothing to do with the perfection of the liturgy or the well-ordered gathering, for it was all a bit rag-tag; but it had everything to do with that community, praying in their fullness, praying in the depth of their hearts for one they loved. In that moment, we were the body of Christ, the image of God. Epiphany.

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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.
Order of Celebration

The Epiphany of the Lord

Entrance Song

We Three Kings

John H. Hopkins

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

1. We three kings of Orient are; Bearing gifts, we traverse afar Field and fountain, Moor and mountain, Following yonder star.
2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, Gold I bring to crown him again; King forever, Ceasing never, Over us all to reign.
3. Frank incense to offer have I; Incense owns a Deity high; Prayer and praising, Gladly raising, Worshiping God on high.
4. Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume Breathes a life of gathering gloom; Sorrowing, sighing, Bleeding, dying, Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright, Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to the perfect Light.
Glory

Cantor: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of goodwill.

1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: your sons come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow, for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. Caravans of camels shall fill you, dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; all from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

Isaiah 60:1-6
**Second Reading**

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God’s grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

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**Gospel Acclamation**

*Christmastime Alleluia*  
*Chepponis*

1. Sing God’s glory to the nations, let us sing a glad No - el.  
2. Let the plains and hills be joyful, all that in the sea a - bounds.  
3. Then shall all the trees and meadows, then shall all the hills on earth sing God’s glo - ry, tell the sto - ry to the peo - ple Is - ra - el.  
4. With God’s praises now re - sound. Let the hea - vens, of the migh - ty Sa - vior’s birth. For he comes to all na - tions, won-drous things to all the world, let the moun - tains, let the o - ceans all re - joice, rule the earth, to rule with jus - tice, rule with love, of our Sa - vior Christ the Lord. praise to God with grate - ful voice. praise our God who reigns a - bove.
**Gospel**

Matthew 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.” When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

*And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.*

Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star’s appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage.” After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

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**Homily**

Father Glen Butterworth, S.J.

**The Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including ‘and became man’, all bow.*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. 
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.
Offertory Song

'Twas In the Moon Of Wintertime  
UNE JEUNE PUCELLE  
Jean de Breubeuf SJ

1. 'Twas in the moon of winter-time, When all the birds had fled, That God the Lord of all the earth Sent fair As was the ring of glory round The true; The holy child of earth and sky Is

2. The earliest moon of winter-time Is not so round and help-less in fant there; The chiefs from far born this day for you; Come kneel before the

3. Oh, children of the forest free, The angel song is stars grew dim, And wand’ring hunters heard the hymn: before him knelt With gifts of fox and beaver pelt. radiant boy, Who brings you beauty, peace, and joy.

Je sus your king is born; Jesus is born, in ex-

cel-sis glori-a.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hos-

san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the high-est.
When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.


Jesus, Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world grant us your peace.
What Child Is This

Communion Song

What Child Is This

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary's lap is sleeping, Whom angels greet with ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear; for

2. Why lies he in such mean estate Where Where Where

3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peasant, king, to own him. The King of kings sal -

Communion Song

The First Nowell

ENGLISH CAROL

1. The first Noel the angel did say Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; In fields where they lay

2. They looked up and saw a star Shining in the east beyond them far; And to the earth it came from country far; To seek for a king was

3. And by the light of that same star Three wise men came, and came, and came, and came, and to our heav'nly Lord, Who made the heav'n's and

4. This star drew nigh to the north-west, O'er Beth - le

5. Then entered in those wise men three, Full rever - rent -

6. Then let us all with one accord Sing praises

Shepherds in the field laid down their staff, Andקבוצת הם מתיארוהות mies in the field, And with their blood our life has bought.

Haste, haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Mary.

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well! Born is the King of Is - ra - el.
Song of Praise

Christ Be Near At Hand

Lorica of St. Patrick

TRADITIONAL IRISH FOLK SONG

Recessional

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Instrumental

Stewardship

THANK YOU FOR SAYING YES! We can’t begin to express our gratitude to parishioners who have affirmed membership in our parish and made a pledge of support for 2015. Our vibrant parish would not be what it is without your consistent support.

As of December 29th, we have received $872,990.00 toward our $1,500,000 goal. If you have yet to send in your annual affirmation of membership or pledge of support for 2015, please feel free to pick up a yellow envelope in the back of the church, or contact stewardship@stjosephparish.org.

THANK YOU!!

Online Giving

Online Giving looks a bit different with our new website. After you set up your account the first time, you will find a much more user-friendly and interactive system. You can make one-time gifts—or set up recurring gifts—and receive reminders before gifts are processed. A new feature is that you can also direct funds from either your credit card or a bank account. Don’t hesitate to contact Tina if you’d like her assistance with entering your first gift in the new system. She can be reached at 206.965.1654 or stewardship@stjosephparish.org.

IRA Charitable Rollover Extended

On Friday, December 19th, President Obama signed HR 5771 into law. The IRA Charitable Rollover allows individuals over age 70½ to directly transfer up to $100,000 per year from an IRA account to one or more charities—including St. Joseph Parish & School. This transfer counts toward the minimum required distribution rule for IRA accounts, and such distributions are free of both income and estate taxes. For more information, please consult your financial advisor, visit the Archdiocese planned giving webpage at http://www.seattlearchpg.org/?pageID=30, or contact Tina, our Pastoral Assistant for Stewardship & Development, at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or 206.965.1654.
Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning and Happy New Year!

At the beginning of the new year I wish to offer everyone my cordial best wishes for peace and all that is good. My wish is the Church’s, it is Christian! It is not tied to a somewhat magical and fatalistic sense of a new cycle beginning. We know that history has a centre: Jesus Christ Incarnate, Crucified and Risen, who is alive among us; it has an end: the Kingdom of God, the Kingdom of peace, justice and freedom in love; and it has a force which moves it towards that end: the force of the Holy Spirit. We all have the Holy Spirit, whom we received at Baptism, and he moves us to go forward along the path of the Christian life, along the path of history towards the Kingdom of God.

This Spirit is the power of life which made the womb of the Virgin Mary fruitful; and it is the same power which inspires the efforts and work of all builders of peace. Wherever a man or woman is a builder of peace, it is the Holy Spirit who is assisting them, moving them to make peace. Two roads intersect today: the Feast of Mary the Most Holy Mother of God and the World Day of Peace. Eight days ago the angelic proclamation rang out: “Glory to God and peace to all men”. Today we welcome it anew from the Mother of Jesus, who “kept all these things, pondering them in her heart” (Lk 2:19), in order to make of it our commitment over the course of the year which has just commenced.

The theme of this World Day of Peace is “Fraternity, the Foundation and Pathway to Peace”. Fraternity: in the footsteps of my Predecessors, beginning with Paul VI, I developed the theme in a Message which has already been published and which today I consign to everyone. It is based on the conviction that we are all children of the one Heavenly Father, we belong to the same human family and we share a common destiny. Hence derives each person’s responsibility to work so that the world might become a community of brothers and sisters who respect one another, accept one another in their differences and take care of one another. We are also called to be aware of the violence and injustices which are present in so many parts of the world to which we cannot remain indifferent and unmoved: everyone’s commitment is needed in order to build a truly just and caring society. Yesterday I received a letter from a gentleman, perhaps one of you, who, in bringing a family tragedy to my attention, went on to list the many tragedies and wars that exists today in the world, and he asked me: what is happening in the heart of man which is leading him to do such things? And at the end he said: “It is time to stop”. I too believe it would do us good to stop on this path of violence and seek peace. Brothers and sisters, I make the words of this man my own: What is happening in the heart of man? What is happening in the heart of humanity? It is time to stop!

From every corner of the globe, today believers offer up their prayers asking the Lord for the gift of peace and the ability to bring it into every environment. On this first day of the year, may the Lord help us all to set out more decisively on the path of justice and peace. And let us begin at home! Justice and peace at home, among ourselves. It begins at home and then goes out to all humanity. But we have to begin at home. May the Holy Spirit act in hearts, may he melt obstacles and hardness and grant that we may be moved before the weakness of the Baby Jesus. Peace, in fact, requires the strength of meekness, the nonviolent strength of truth and love.

With filial trust, let us place our hopes in the hands of Mary, the Mother of the Redeemer. To she who extends her motherhood to all mankind, let us entrust the cry for peace of peoples who are oppressed by war and violence, so that the courage of dialogue and reconciliation might prevail over temptations to revenge, tyranny and corruption. Let us ask her to grant that the Gospel of fraternity, which the Church proclaims and to which she bears witness, may speak to every conscience and bring down the walls that prevent enemies from recognizing one another as brothers.
Incompatible? They don’t have to be.

An Evening for Young Adults:
We spend the majority of our waking hours at work but many of us are also spiritual people who desire to live from our deep connection with God. If you desire to integrate your spiritual and work life, join us for conversation and reflection.

Facilitators: Kathleen Hosfeld, President of Hosfeld & Associates & Brian Meza, Head of the Science Department at Seattle Prep

Thursday, January 8 | 7:00—9:00 PM |
St. James Cathedral Parish Outreach Center
907 Columbia St., Seattle
Sunday Morning Childcare

On Sunday mornings, during the 9am Mass, we offer childcare for children 1 year to 4 years old. This is a time for our youngest parishioners to begin experiencing church through play and community.

Children are supervised by our experienced infant and preschool teacher, Dawn Gomez, along with youth volunteers. Parents may want to use this service every week or on a drop in basis—we allow for both!

If you feel you will regularly use childcare, then you will want to register.
• Childcare begins in September and ends in June.
• We have a winter break and Easter break, but otherwise, childcare is available each Sunday morning during the 9am Mass.
• Registration is online and the cost for Sunday childcare is $50 for the year. Drop-in is available with a $5 per child per use charge.
• If your child is sad or needs you during Mass, we will notify you by text

The childcare room is located in the Social Hall, to the right (south end) of the stage. A sign in table is on the Social Hall floor.

For more information you may contact sundaychildcare@stjosephparish.org

Jesuit Values for Life

9 Tuesday evenings from 7-9 pm | January 20 - March 24

What would it mean to live in an Ignatian way? What would Jesuits themselves name as their core values and how might you incorporate them into your own way of living? The Jesuits have indeed named 8 Characteristics of Our Ways of Proceeding – certain attitudes, values and patterns of behavior born in the life of St. Ignatius, shared by his companions and recently resurrected by the Jesuits in their worldwide congregations. Come absorb personal reflections by Jesuit and lay presenters steeped in the Ignatian tradition, deepen your understanding of what it means to be Ignatian, and engage with others interested in the Jesuit charism.

COST: $130 (partial work scholarships available). TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT: Register online at www.ignatiancenter.org (go to the "Under an Ignatian Influence" page) and pay the $30 non-refundable registration fee by Thursday, January 15, 2015. If you have any questions, contact Andrea Fontana at andrea@ignatiancenter.org or (206) 329-4824.

Preparation for Older Children Baptism

If you have a child five years of age and older whom you would like to be Baptized into the Catholic Faith, please set up an appointment with Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646. The plan is to gather monthly (Jan-April) with family catechesis at home between sessions. Children younger than seven receive the Sacrament of Baptism only at a designated Sunday Mass during the Easter Season – this year that date is Sunday April 19th at the 9:00 am Mass. Classes are all on Thursday evenings from 6-7:30 pm, Jan. 29, Feb. 26, March 26 and April 16th. For more information, contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski (206) 965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

Ignatian Spirituality 101: An Introduction to Ignatian Prayer & Spirituality

Thursday, January 15, 2015 | 7:00 - 9:00 PM
Mother Teresa Room, Parish Center

Pope Francis, the first Jesuit Pope, is grounded in Ignatian spirituality, but many do not know fully what that means. What is Ignatian spirituality all about? How might I incorporate Ignatian prayer and spirituality into my life? If you would like to know more, this evening introduction to the basics of Ignatian prayer and spirituality is for you! The evening will include: introductions, opening prayer, an overview of the life of St. Ignatius and Ignatian spirituality, experiences of Ignatian prayer, and more information on how to continue to grow in Ignatian spirituality through the ISC, Magis: Alumni Living the Mission, Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL), and Christian Life Communities (CLC). Light snacks will be provided. People of all ages, faith traditions and spiritual backgrounds are welcome. If you are already familiar with Ignatian spirituality, we encourage you to think of family, friends or colleagues who might be interested and invite them to attend!

No cost. Free will offering. For more information or to RSVP, email Andrea Fontana, Program Coordinator, at andrea@ignatiancenter.org or call 206.329.4824. Sponsored by the Ignatian Spirituality Center (www.ignatiancenter.org).
Parish Holy Hour

Thursday, January 8, 7-8 pm, join the Choose Life Ministry for a Rosary with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, in the Loyola Chapel of the Parish Center. Refreshments to follow. All are welcome!

“What will save the world? My answer is prayer. What we need is for every Parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in Holy Hours of prayer.”

“The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament...will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth.”

-Mother Teresa of Calcutta

The Rosary At St. Joseph

St. Joseph parishioners have been praying the Rosary since the church was built. The grace of the prayer to the Holy Mother has lit the journey to Jesus through painful addictions in families, the loss of loved ones and when everything seems darkest. Many Catholics have historically viewed Mary as the person who will defeat evil on earth.

Everyone is welcome to pray the Rosary, Mondays from 7 to 8 pm in the Parish Center Loyola Chapel.

Prayer Tree

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Dennis’ upcoming surgery and recovery... For a newborn who has some congestion in the lungs and is in ICU... For Bea’s upcoming treatments to become healthy... For those who have respiratory ailments, may they begin to feel better and stronger... Call on the Lord for his guidance as we begin 2015.

“The unfailing love of the Lord never ends... His mercies begin afresh each day... I will hope in him.”

~Lamentations 3:22-24

Rest In Peace

Daniel Lenoue and Richard O’Leary who passed away in December and whose services were held at St. Joseph.

If you have petitions you would like included in the prayer tree, including birth announcements, illnesses and deaths, please call the parish office at 206-324-2522 ext 100 or email rleet@stjosephparish.org

Sacred Silence

A time for silent prayer and peace

The Sacred Silence prayer group gathers on Monday nights at 7 pm in the Church for an hour of silent prayer. Newcomers always welcome. Open to all types of prayer practice. People are encouraged to use whatever silent prayer practice works best for them whether it is centering prayer, Ignatian imagination or another prayer. Time is spent both sitting and walking in silence.

For information on Sacred Silence and silent prayer contact Jim Hoover at jhoover3law@qwestoffice.net or 206-286-0313.

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Mass for the Unity of Christians

You are cordially invited to join Archbishop J. Peter Sar- tain in the Mass for the Unity of Christians in Observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at 11:00 am on January 17, 2015 at St. James Cathedral. A reception to follow after Mass in the Isaac Orr Conference Room.
**WestSide Baby**

WestSide Baby and St. Joseph’s Baby Corner is now open for volunteers, donations and Provider Partner pick-ups at their new location at 2301 S. Jackson Ste. 202, Seattle, WA 98144, across the parking lot from the Red Apple Market! The former Baby Corner facility on Cherry Hill next to Providence Hospital has been relocated due to the planned development of that site.

The new facility offers additional hours, and is open Mondays and Thursdays from 9am-3pm, and Wednesdays from 9am-5pm. There are new, increased volunteer opportunities available at the office, including filling orders, sorting and painting. WestSide Baby will continue to operate out of its White Center headquarters.

**THANK YOU!! During Immaculate Conception Mass, St. Joseph parishioners donated $937.18 to WestSide Baby.**

**Cabrini Ministry**

HAVE A HEART 2015 ANNUAL DINNER & AUCTION
Saturday, January 31st, 2015 at 6:30 PM
Holy Family Parish
7045 120th Avenue NE, Kirkland, WA
To purchase tickets: www.cabriniminy.org

**St. Vincent de Paul**

In these bundle-up days of cold winter weather, our St. Vincent de Paul group gets more calls for coats, gloves and hats than at any other time of year. We handle these requests by providing a voucher for purchase at either one of the St. Vinnie stores, or at Value Village here on Capitol Hill.

When kids are involved, we refer parents to Westside Baby. They provide clothes for children up to age 12 and can supply just about any type of clothing kids need.

Of course, we could not do any of this without the loyal and generous support of you our fellow parishioners. On this first Sunday of the new year, when we take up our monthly collection, all the money we collect will be used to help people in our neighborhood who need it. Clothing is only one type of assistance. Help with heating bills, rent and utilities, and of course food comprise the every-day needs folks ask for. It is a blessing that with your support we can lend a hand.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

The next meeting is Thursday, January 8th, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center for fellowship and time to knit together. We welcome new members any time, and of all knitting levels. There are excellent teachers in our group who are happy to get a new knitter started.

If you have any questions or would like help getting started on a shawl, please contact: Jennifer Rothmeyer at jenniferrothmeyer@hotmail.com

**Seniors On The Go**

**Friday, January 9th** - Healing Mass at 11:30 am in the church. Followed by lunch in the Parish Center.

**Please note the date change!**
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St. Joseph’s Couples Retreat Weekend
January 30 – February 1, 2015
La Conner Country Inn

$365 per couple*
Partial scholarships available

*Includes Continental breakfast Saturday and Sunday and Saturday group dinner

Saturday lunch and afternoon on your own

Only 4 spots left! Hurry and register by January 7th!
Call Deacon Steve 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org
Blessings to you and yours in the coming year!