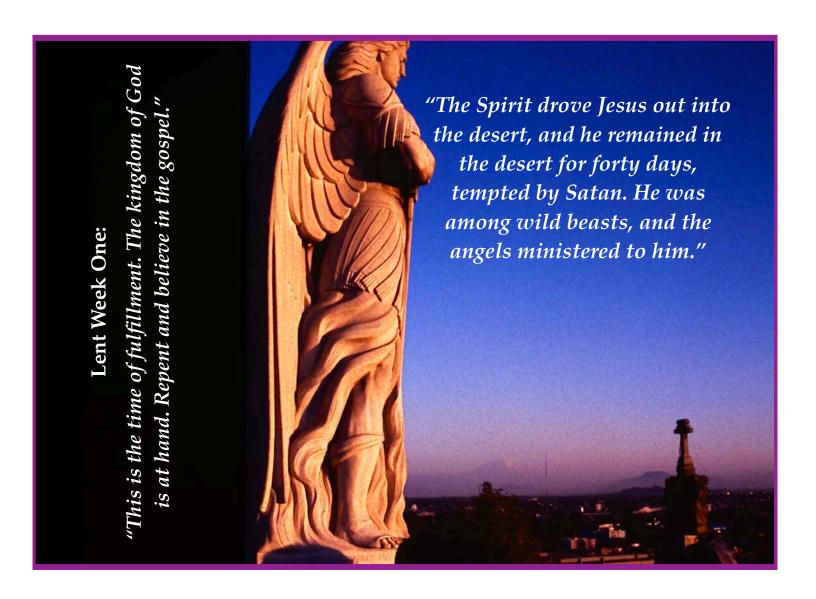




# St. Joseph Parish

### THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 18, 2018
Homily This Week: John D. Whitney, S.J.
Homily Next Week: Julian Climaco, S.J.

Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday - 5 pm Sunday - 9:00 am, 11 am & 5:30 pm

#### Readings for February 25, 2018

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34 Gospel: Mark 9:2-9

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

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Monday- Friday - 8 am - 4:30 pm Saturday - 9 am - 1 pm www.stjosephparish.org

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### Jacob's Lesson

So, I'm standing in this phone booth with a dollar and a dime, wondering what to say to you to ease your troubled mind, For the Lord's cross might redeem us, but our own just wastes our time.

And to tell the two apart is always hard love.

-June Tabor-

Years ago, shortly after my ordination, I received a phone call from Sr. Anne, who worked as a chaplain at the King County Youth Detention Center on 12th Avenue—a few blocks from Seattle University. She told me that they had just recently received permission to offer a weekly Mass for the young people in the Center, most of whom were awaiting trial or waiting to see if they would be tried in the juvenile or adult system. Though I was hesitant, pleading that I already had a full time job and didn't know anything about detention ministry, Sr. Anne was not easily deterred. And so I began going to Detention, almost every Tuesday evening, to say Mass in the small library, on a low formica table, surrounded by about a dozen young people—ranging in age from 12 to 17—most of whom were not Catholic, but all of whom wanted to get out of their locked halls for awhile, and many of whom felt a need for any kind of prayer, even one they did not fully understand.

Unlike in a long-term facility, the nature of the Youth Detention Center meant that the assembly at our liturgies changed from weekto-week, and it was not unusual to see a new face in the crowd. But Jacob was different. From the first time I saw him—his eyes downcast, scratching his hands and arms—I could tell he did not fit easily into the crowd of more-or-less "normal" seeming teenagers who joked and jostled around our circle. After Mass, the first week he was there, he came up to me and asked if he could speak to me for awhile, and I said, "Sure." It was not unusual for one or another of the residents to want to talk—some because they had something on their minds, and others because they just wanted to delay going back to their halls (either reason was okay with me). But, as I sat down at one of the library tables, I could tell it was going to be different with Jacob, that there was something moving in him that was more than just wanting to talk to a friendly outsider or spend a few more minutes away from lock-up.

One of the first things I learned, working in Detention Ministry, was how difficult it was for those who were incarcerated to acknowledge directly that of which they were accused. Most of the time when I spoke to someone in lock-up, they told me how it was all a big mistake or how they hadn't meant to do what they did. In fact, I soon realized that at the Detention Center one should never ask "What did you do?" but instead, "What are you in for?" At first, I took this subtle form of denial as part of the wounded character of prisoners—a sign of the fear and denial that may have been a factor in their incarceration. Only since then have I come to see that such denial moves in almost every human heart, including my own: a fear of judgment that clouds our sense of culpability, a sense of shame that often hinders us in seeking and accepting the mercy we

so desperately desire.

But with Jacob it was different: far from trying to deny or excuse himself, he was, instead, ravaged by his guilt and overwhelmed with shame. Sitting at that table, he told the story that he could not escape: of how he got high one night on crystal meth, how he flew into a rage and killed his neighbor. And what only added to his feelings of grief and shame was that now his lawyer wanted him to plead not guilty, and believed that there was enough reasonable doubt so that he could likely get off on a plea of self-defense, with only a bit of juvenile time, instead of the possible 15-25 years he was facing if tried as an adult. Told to say nothing to anyone, Jacob was consumed by his guilt: "I want to tell the truth," he whispered to me, even as he continued to scratch his hands.

It was only then I noticed that his hands were marked with scratches and scabs, and that barely healed scars ran up his arms under the blue jumpsuit he was required to wear. Clearly the scars were recent, and when I asked Jacob about it, he told me he couldn't stop scratching and even biting himself since the killing. Tearing at his skin with his nails or teeth had led to his being put in restraints for a few days while in Detention. He was filled with guilt, unable to find healing, denied the chance to confess or seek forgiveness, unheard by his lawyer and abandoned by his family-none of whom had visited him since his arrest—and so he sought to punish himself, ripping at the flesh he felt deserved condemnation, the body of the killer and the liar whose crimes he could not escape. Speaking to me, Jacob longed not for a God of mercy, but for one who would let him confess, and then who would punish him so that he could "get what he deserved."

Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart, with fasting, and weeping and mourning. Rend your hearts, not your garments, and return to the Lord your God.

What Jacob suffered in the Detention Center is something I think many of us suffer in our own lives. Even when we try to deny our "crimes," wrapping them in arguments of righteousness or burying them beneath hours of mindless consumption, they eat away at us, calling us to measure ourselves against the person we want to be, or the person we think we should be, or some other person we think we know. Even when our friends or neighbors admire us or support us, it seems only to make our sins worse, as we think to ourselves, "If they knew who I really am, I know they would be disappointed." Like Jacob, we long to plead guilty, but feel caught by forces and fears—the lawyers of shame, who tell us not to speak, or it will be worse. And so, con-

victed in our hearts, we tear at ourselves and our world. We scar our lives, if not physically then psychologically and spiritually.

Rend your heart not your garments.

The season of Lent is about confession—about acknowledging before God and ourselves that we are sinners. Yet, it is not, in that, about self-hatred, but about God's love; it is not about self-inflicted punishment, but about divine forgiveness; it is not about how distant we are from God or about how disappointed God is in us. Rather, it is about all God does just to be close to us. Lent is not about our cross, but about the cross of Christ, taken up so we might be healed. Jacob's scars—and all our self-inflicted wounds—are the antithesis of Lent, the product of the Great Lie that God's love for us depends on our own worthiness, and not upon God's unfathomable grace. What we celebrate in Lent is that we are sinners—that we are failures and drunks; that we have unpaid bills and don't love our kids enough; that we have a hard time forgiving and don't pray as we ought; that we are, like young Jacob, criminals and murders, at least in our hearts—and that, for all these things, God loves us enough to become what we are and to feed us with his own body and blood.

I do not know what happened to Jacob after he left Detention—I don't know if he is in prison or worse—but I know that in the weeks that followed our conversation, whenever he would come to Mass, he would raise his head, listen to the words of the gospel, and pray from his heart for the healing he needed. In the same way, then, let us pray; let us "rend our hearts and not our garments" and entrust ourselves—sinners though we are—to the One who has entered the fullness of our world's sin, who was laid wounded in the grave made for one of us, and who rose from that grace, scarred but triumphant, as our Companion and our Lord.

# Connect with St. Joseph Welcoming Weekend

If you are new to St. Joseph or you are a registered member who has been attending for years and are interested in reconnecting within the Parish. Feel free to visit our welcome table in the vestibule after Mass. Members of our welcoming committee are here to answer questions you might have about the many ministries and programs here at St. Joseph.

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

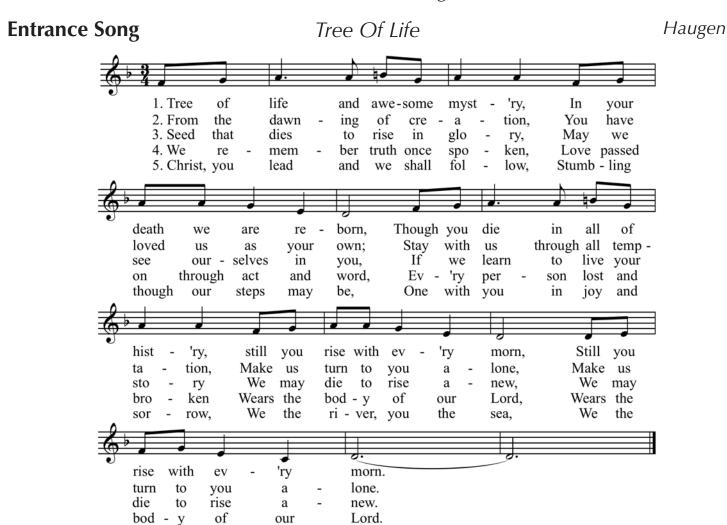
Please take a moment to silence your cell phones.

#### **Introit**

(5) Lenten Introit Pluth/JESU DULCIS MEMORIA

I answer when he calls on me, deliver him because he prays; and glory I will give it to him, and I will grant him length of days.

(9) Choral: Kyrie Eleison (11) Seattle U Choral: Agnus Dei Byrd Schubert



### **Confiteor**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (*Strike breast during next line*)

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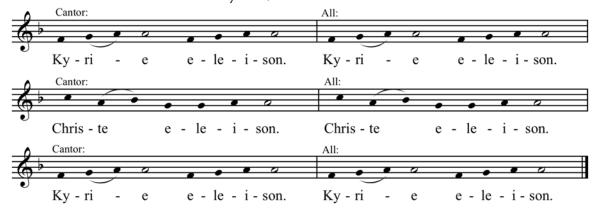
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through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### **Kyrie**

### Kyrie Jubilate Deo



(9) Kyrie In Alternatim

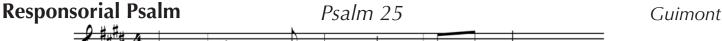
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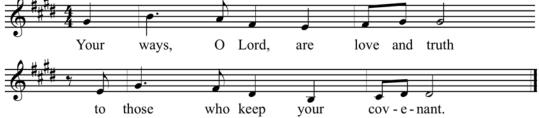
### **First Reading**



#### Genesis 9:8-15

God said to Noah and to his sons with him: "See, I am now establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you: all the birds, and the various tame and wild animals that were with you and came out of the ark. I will establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all bodily creatures be destroyed by the waters of a flood; there shall not be another flood to devastate the earth." God added: "This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to come, of the covenant between me and you and every living creature with you: I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the covenant I have made between me and you and all living beings, so that the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings."





O LORD, make me know your ways. Teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth, and teach me; for you are the God of my salvation.

Remember your compassion, O LORD, and your merciful love, for they are from of old. In your merciful love remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD.

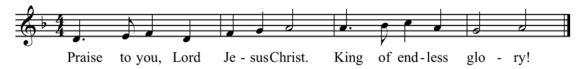
Good and upright is the LORD; he shows the way to sinners. He guides the humble in right judgment; to the humble he teaches his way. Second Reading 1 Peter 3:18-22

Beloved: Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited in the days of Noah during the building of the ark, in which a few persons, eight in all, were saved through water. This prefigured baptism, which saves you now. It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Lenten Acclamation

Vermulst



Gospel Mark 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

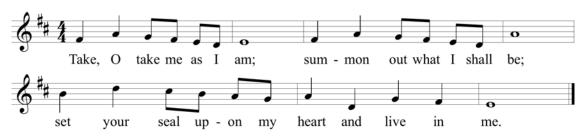


# Homily John D. Whitney, S.J.

### (5:30) Dismissal of the Catechumens & Candidates

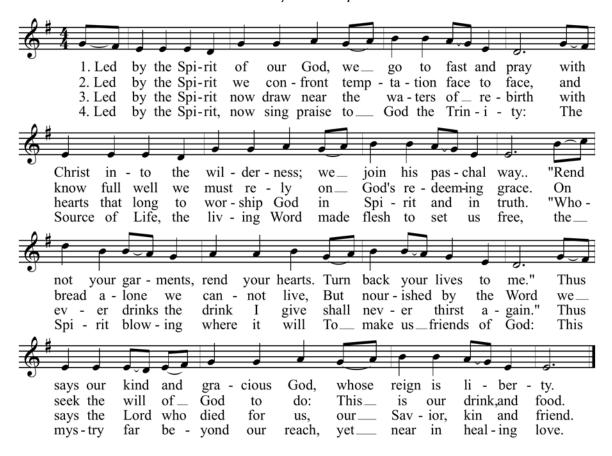
Take, O Take Me As I Am

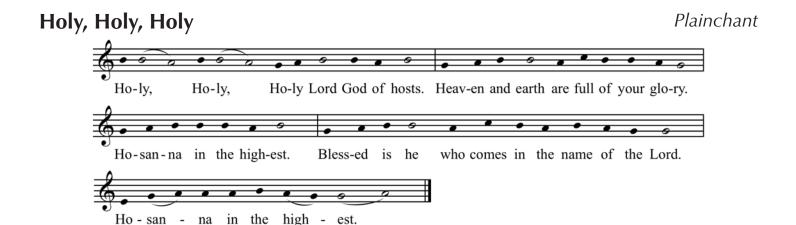
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### **Offertory Songs**

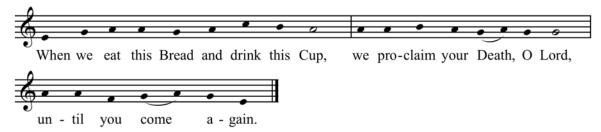
(11) Seattle U Choral: Laudate Omnes Gentes/Come and Find the Quiet Center
White/MURRAY





### **Mystery of Faith**

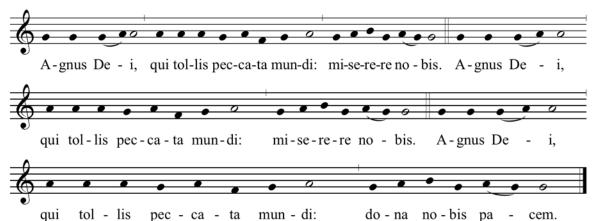
**Plainchant** 



**Great Amen**Plainchant



Lamb of God Plainchant



#### 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 Songs**

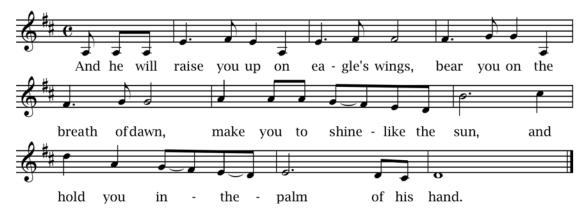
- (11) Seattle U Choral: Adoramus Te Christe
- (11) Seattle U Choral: I Love you, Lord

Klein

Vega



You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in God's shadow for life. Say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock, in whom I trust." Ref.



The snare of the fowler will never capture you and famine will bring you no fear. Under God's wings, your refuge, God's faithfulness, your shield. *Ref.* 

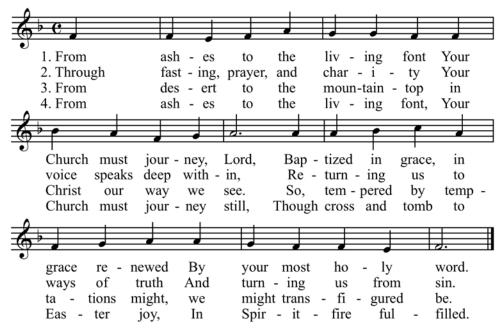
You need not fear the terror of the night nor the arrow that flies by day. Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. *Ref.* 

For to the angels God's given a command to guard you in all of your ways. Upon their hands, they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. *Ref.* 

### **Song Of Praise**

### From Ashes to the Living Font

ST. FLAVIAN



### Recessional

Tolling of the Bell



Please note that during Lent, no flowers are allowed in the church. Please save your devotional flowers for the Easter seaon.

## 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

5:30 PM Soup & Stations

**Thursday** 

7:00 AM Mass

**Friday** 

7:00 AM Mass

11:00 AM Stations of the Cross

**Saturday** 

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

ST. JOSEPH WOMEN'S MINISTRY INVITES YOU TO WITNESS THE WOMEN OF THE GOSPEL COME TO LIFE.

# WOMEN OF POWER & PASSION:

a day of reflection March 17, 2018 9am-4pm Parish Center

\$30 fee includes Olivia's performance, discussion, reflection, & meals.

Scholarships available. Register at stjosephparish.org Questions? women@stjosephparish.org

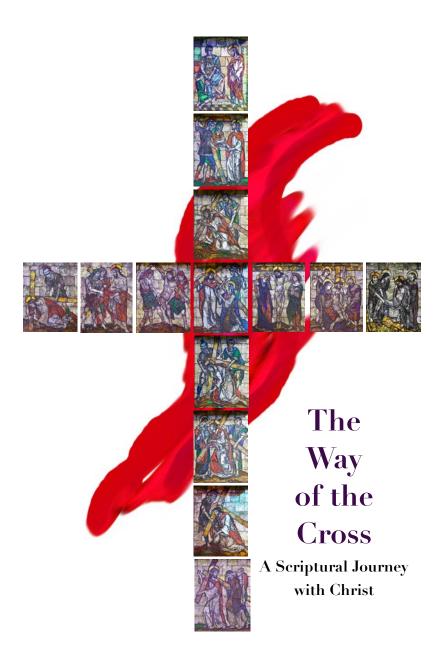






## St. Joseph Parish Life Ministry Presents

# Soup & Stations



"Lent is about a relationship, the most important one, with God and our neighbor." Fr. John Lombardi

## Join Us!

## Pray

Walk with Jesus on the Way of his Cross.

## Stay

Join your fellow pilgrims for a simple soup supper.

Wednesdays during Lent.

Stations at 5:30 pm in the church.

Dinner to follow.

No need to RSVP Just show up!

### Parish Life

#### **Newcomers Wanted!**

Welcome to St. Joseph!

If you are recently registered or a newcomer (in the last year or so) to the parish, please join us for our NEWCOMERS MEET, GREET & EAT Gathering.

#### Wednesday, February 21st, 5:30 – 7:30 pm Food and Drink provided!

First we will meet in the church and pray the Stations of the Cross together and then head over to the Parish Center for a simple soup supper and fellowship.

Come meet the Parish Staff, your fellow new parishioners and our welcoming committee. Learn about how to get involved in the parish. To RSVP please contact Caprice Sauter at caprices@stjosephparish.org or call 206-965-1642.

Ioin Us!

### Young Adults (21-35)

Please join us for our quarterly planning meeting **Wednesday, February 21st, from 7-8:30 pm** in the Parish Center.

Our goal is to plan events for the next three months (March-April-May). Bring your ideas and feel free to invite a friend. Snacks will be provided. For more details, contact Deacon at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

### **Young Adult Bible Study**

Join the Young Adult Bible Study as we enter into the season of Lent with an opportunity to meditate on daily scripture readings and reflections by Fr. Richard Rohr. We will meet weekly for discussion and fellowship. Readings began on Ash Wednesday, with the first meeting on Thursday 2/22 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Please contact Sabrina at sfordyce@spu.edu to RSVP or for more information about the Bible Study and where to purchase the study guide.

### Seniors On The Go

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

**Friday, March 2nd** - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am in the church. Join us for a Lenten lunch after Mass!

### **LGBTQ Ministry Social**

Join St. Joseph's LGBTQ Ministry for happy hour on the first Monday of the month. On **March 5th,** we will be at Liberty Bar (517 15th Ave E) from 5-7pm. All are



welcome and encouraged to join us. And remember, *Happy Hour is the Best Hour*. For more information, please contact lgbt@stjosephparish.org

# Women's Ministry "Guilt-Free Mama"

A MOM's gathering for Lent.

Three Friday nights, Feb 23rd, Mar 2nd & Mar 9th 6:30 – 7:00 pm Meet & Greet 7:00 – 8:30 pm Program

No fee! Join us in the parish center!

Questions or to RSVP women@stjosephparish.org



### **Men's Ministry**

Please join members of the St. Joseph Men's Ministry on **Tuesday, March 6th at 6:45 am** in the school auditorium for breakfast featuring Robbie Bach, who will speak about his days leading Microsoft's Xbox division while balancing a life of faith, family and service. Q&A to follow. All are welcome to attend, but please RSVP to Leslie Bartlett at lbartlett@stjosephsea.org by Friday, March 2.

# St. Joseph's Annual St. Patrick's Day Party Saturday, March 10th, 6 pm

Join us for a delicious dinner, cold libations, wonderful music & festive dancing!

Online registration is open, get your tickets now! www.stjosephparish.org

Cost is \$25.00 per adult & \$10.00 per child (children 2 and under are free)

A delicious menu of corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and macaroni & cheese. All beverages are included in ticket.

Party Highlights Include:
Music by Dusty Strings
Dancing by Tara Academy
A Cake Walk for dessert
Fun prizes for the kiddos





Volunteers needed, please contact martim@stjosephparish.org with questions or to volunteer.

## LENT AT ST. JOSEPH



### **Rice Bowl Collection**

Fast, Pray & Give this Lent with the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl

### **New Program This Year - Soup & Stations**

Join us every Wednesday at 5:30 pm in the church to pray in the footsteps of Jesus. Then stay and join us for a simple soup supper and fellowship. No need to RSVP, just show up. Every Wednesday in Lent, beginning Feb 21st.

### **Pray the Stations of the Cross**

Every Wednesday at 5:30 pm & every Friday at 11:00 am. All are in the church.

### **Young Adult Ministry Lenten Bible Study**

Thursdays in Lent beginning Feb. 22nd. Email sfordyce@spu.edu for information.

### **Senior Ministry Lenten Day of Reflection**

Thursday, February 22nd - Call 206.324.2522 ext 100 to RSVP

### Women's Ministry MOM's Group Series

3 Fridays beginning on February 23rd - 6 pm in the Parish Center

### Women's Ministry Lenten Day of Reflection

Saturday, March 17th - Register online at www.stjosephparish.org

### Novena of Grace - 9 Days of Grace

March 7th to the 15th - Presented by the Ignatian Spirituality Center

### Men's Ministry Mass & Potluck

Friday, March 23rd - 6 pm in the Parish Center

### **Parish Reconciliation Service**

Saturday, March 24th -12 pm to 4 pm

"In the face of so many wounds that hurt us and could lead to a hardness of heart, we are called to dive into the sea of prayer, which is the sea of the boundless love of God, in order to experience his tenderness."



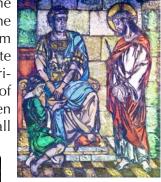
## LITURGY AND WORSHIP

# Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph

The devotion known as the "Way of the Cross" or "Stations of the Cross" began around the 4th century, as pilgrims—led by the Emperor Constantine's mother, Helena—began to visit Jerusalem and seek out the places of Jesus' suffering and death. Later, the road through Jerusalem became known as the "Via Dolorosa" ("Way of Sorrow"). But many could not visit Jerusalem, and in the 17th century, the Pope gave the Franciscans the right to establish miniature stations, in imitation of the Via Dolorosa, in their own churches. Eventually, these stations were narrowed down to the 14 stations we know today, and became part of most churches in Western Christianity—designed to lead pilgrims along the way of Jesus' death, and leave them ready for his resurrection at Easter.

The Stations of the Cross in St. Joseph Church, created by Lance Wood Hart (who also did the church's mosaics), were part of the original design of the church, and feature a combination of painted glass and oil over gold and silver backgrounds. Walking

these stations, up and down the nave of the church, one takes a journey both of the feet and of the heart, from the judgment seat of Pilate to the tomb of Joseph of Arimethea—as Jesus lets go of everything, entering even into death on the cross, all for love of us.





This Lent, try adding the Stations of the Cross to your Lenten prayer life. We have two opportunities each week to pray this devotion. Wednesday evenings at 5:30 pm and Friday at 11:00 am.

**St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions**: As we begin Lent, may each of us be moved in our hearts and souls to grow in the image of Christ . . . Thankful for the safe return of family and friends from their travels . . . For Virginia's shoulder and neck to heal well . . . For our catechumens, candidates and confirmandi as they journey towards Easter.



"Heal wounds of the heart with the oil of forgiveness, forgiving those who have hurt us and medicating the wounds we have caused others."

~Pope Francis

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

Join us in prayer on **Monday, February 19th, 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.

### **Welcome The Newly Baptized**

William Appleyard Theodore Eastwood Edward Platt

## **Contemplative Prayer TAIZE PRAYER**

The third of our Contemplative Prayer events sponsored by the Liturgy and Worship Commission will be **Sunday**, **February 25th**, **from 4:00 - 5:00 pm in the church**. This series of events is designed to offer parishioners the opportunity to learn about the prayer experiences that are already part of the St. Joseph community life.

Taize prayer is ecumenical. The Taize community, though Western European in origin, has sought to include people and traditions worldwide and have sought to demonstrate this in the music and prayers where songs are sung in many languages, and have included chants and icons from the Eastern Orthodox tradition. The music emphasizes simple phrases, usually lines from Psalms or other pieces of Scripture, repeated and sometimes also sung in canon. Ecumenical services based on this model and music are held in many churches throughout the world.





Qur'an 49:13 Surah Al-Hujurat.

O mankind! We created you from a single (pair) of a male and a female and made you into nations and tribes that ye may know each other (not that ye may despise each other).

# Eat with Muslims Presents:

Dinner with St. Joseph
Catholic Church
Saturday, March 3, 2018
6-9 pm after the 5 pm Mass

Eat With Muslims brings people of all backgrounds together to share food and stories from each other's perspectives. Please join us for a dinner and conversation. The only thing you need to bring is your beautiful soul.

Please RSVP at www.stjosephparish.org by Feb 24<sup>th</sup>. Dinner intended for ages 16 and up.

St Joseph Catholic Church 732 18th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98112



## FAITH JUSTICE

### **NAMI Family & Friends Seminar**

St. James Cathedral, Pastoral Outreach Center, Saturday, February 24th, 9am – 1pm

Program will also be offered at Shoreline Senior Center 2/17/18 9am-1pm

NAMI Family & Friends is a free, 4-hour seminar that informs and supports family members, partners, friends and significant others who have loved ones with a mental health condition. Participants learn about diagnoses, treatment, recovery, communication strategies, crisis preparation and NAMI resources. To register, contact NAMI Program Manager Katie Mahoney: katie@namiseattle.org or (206) 783-9264

### American Catholicism, Xenophobia and Immigration

Thursday, February 22, at 7:00 pm Pigott Auditorium, Seattle University

The topic of the panel opens up conversation about xenophobia and the history of Catholic immigration to the United States. The panelists will explore both the Catholic Church's rich theological and spiritual teaching to welcome the stranger, as well as its complicity as institution and community in xenophobia.

#### PANELISTS:

Dr. Laurie Cassidy, PhD, is a theologian and spiritual director who explores how Christian mysticism can be a resource for personal and social transformation.

Dr. Arturo Chávez, PhD, is the President of MACC, the Mexican American Catholic College in San Antonio, Texas, and is nationally recognized for his efforts to combat racism and poverty.

Dr. Catherine Punsalan-Manlimos, PhD, is the Director of the Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture, and will frame and facilitate the evening.

This year's Catholic Heritage Lectures theme is "That We May Be One: Racial Justice and the Catholic Church." We invite you to join the ICTC in creating a culture of conversation and embracing the Ignatian spirit of dialogue around the topics of inclusion and racial justice in the Catholic Church.

### **Special Meeting On Immigration**

Monday February 26th - 7:00pm - Parish Center

St. Joseph's Faith Justice Commission in consultation with Fr. John is preparing a letter and action plan in response to the current debate on immigration policy. We specifically are researching how we as a parish can accompany our Immigrant brothers and sisters, educate ourselves on the issues and act as advocates using the principles of Church Social Teaching. If you want to join our efforts and have ideas on how to accomplish these goals, please join us. For more information contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

### **Opioid Epidemic Forum**

The Opioid Epidemic in Our Community: What Families Need to Know.

Our communities are struggling with opiate misuse and addiction, including fentanyl, heroin and prescription opioids. Please join us to hear from Melissa Weiksnar, author of Heroin's Puppet, a mother for whom the epidemic hit home. Learn facts about the disease of addiction, current trends in our culture, options for treatment, and the realities for recovery.

Take this opportunity to learn more about opioid abuse and how it can impact your family and community. St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Sunday, February 25th, 2018, 1:30 – 3:30 pm, Victoria Hall Music Room (northeast of the rectory) 814 NE 85th Street, Seattle, WA. RSVP: Trez Buckland, bucklandmike@hotmail.com or 206-930-2739.

### **ENCOUNTER MAJD**

In Iraq, we encounter Majd and his family, people forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.

## JESUIT PUGET SOUND

The Ignatian Spirituality Center invites you to take one hour a day for a Lenten retreat in daily life

#### Nine Days of Grace: Novena 2018



Are you looking for a Lenten practice to help you grow closer to God and others? The ISC invites you to be part of our upcoming Nine Days of Grace

entitled "Open our Eyes, Show Us Your Face."

What will I experience during these Nine Days of Grace? This Lenten retreat can be made amid the busyness of daily life. Take just one hour a day for any or all of the nine days; or make the retreat online. Depending on which is most convenient, choose either Seattle U's Chapel of St. Ignatius during the day or St. Joseph Church in the evening (1:00 pm on weekends). In the context of the Eucharist, you will experience stirring preaching given by a team of three Ignatianinspired presenters, the assembly's powerful prayers of petition, beautiful ritual music, and optional individual prayers for healing at the end. It draws an inspiring community of people from all ages and faith backgrounds. Many experience a palpable sense of the Spirit and of abundant graces that stays with them long after the retreat is over.

What is a Novena? The Novena's origins date to 1633, when St. Francis Xavier appeared to the priest Marcellus Mastrilli in a healing vision and promised that all who would earnestly ask his intercession with God for nine days would experience profound grace. Although the term "Novena" may sound like an outdated ritual irrelevant to contemporary life, it survives today as an annual tradition, continually updated and relevant to the daily lives of those who participate.

Why "Open our Eyes, Show Us Your Face"? In what might seem like "dark times" in our country and in our lives, we can easily lose sight of a deeper reality and truth—that the Light has come into the world and continues to be at work in our hearts, in our face-to-face relationships, in our local communities, in people of good will working toward justice, and in the world over the long arc of history. Inspired by the scripture readings for the Nine Days of Grace, this year's retreat team—Fr. Trung Pham, SJ, Victoria Ries and Joe Hastings—recognized that if we let our eyes be opened, we can come to see God's face in these glimpses of light and hints of the kingdom present here and now.

If you are new to or familiar with this retreat, we hope you will consider entering into it this Lent, responding to God's personal invitation to open our eyes and see God face to face. Feel free to invite someone else to experience the abundant graces of this Lenten retreat as well!



## Nine Days of Grace: Novena 2018 "Open our Eyes, Show Us Your Face"

Wednesday, March 7 - Thursday, March 15

Weekdays: 12:30 pm at Chapel of St. Ignatius, Seattle
University or 7:00 pm at St. Joseph Church, Seattle
Saturday: 1:00 pm at St. Joseph Church
Sunday: 1:00 pm at Chapel of St. Ignatius

#### Fr. Trung Pham S.J., Victoria Ries, and Joe Hastings

Deepen your experience of Lent this year by entering into *Nine Days of Grace: Novena*, a retreat that can be made amid the busyness of daily life. Take just one hour a day to attend a liturgy at either the Chapel of St. Ignatius or St. Joseph Church, or make the retreat online. Be inspired by the preaching of three presenters steeped in the Ignatian tradition and vision, offer up your deepest desires in prayer, and join a faith-filled community to share the Eucharist. Attend any or all of the nine days to experience God's abundant grace!

- Free will offering. Seating first-come, first-served.
- Visit our webpage at <a href="www.ignatiancenter.org">www.ignatiancenter.org</a> or our Facebook page @ignatiancenter.
- For more information, contact andrea@ignatiancenter.org, or call (206) 329-4824

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#### **Retreat Team**



Fr. Trung Pham, S.J. | Ass't Prof of Fine Arts, Seattle U Victoria Ries | Spiritual Director, former Pastoral Coordinator Joe Hastings | Director of Faith Formation, St. Leo Parish

(see more biographical info at www.ignatiancenter.org)



### FAITH FORMATION

### Pathfinders NEW Summer Service Learning Trip to Hillsborough, OR

St. Joseph Parish is planning a trip to Hillsborough, OR to participate in a new service learning experience called "Just5Days." Just5Days is a five-day service program where you will be involved in direct service to those in need as you also learn about your faith. The trip is from June 25 thru June 29 and open to current 6th, 7th, & 8th grade students. Contact Dottie Farewell for additonal information and an application form at dfarewell@ stjosephparish.org



### **Summer Service Learning Camp**

Calling all current 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th graders! Do you want to make a difference in your community? Come join us for St. Joseph's Camp Give Back, June 25-29, 2018 from 9 am-3 pm. Throughout the week, campers will participate in community service and reflection, developing empathy for the poor and marginalized. They will leave the week feeling empowered to make change, and put faith into action. Questions? Contact Julie Tilghman at julietilghman@gmail.com

### Family Dinner & Mass Thank You!

Thank you to the many people who attended last week's Family Mass, Dinner and Dance cohosted by the parish and our school's Parent Association Board. Special thanks goes to the following people who made it all happen: David Hein, Laura Vida Thompson, LeAna Alvarado-Smith, Andrea Lines, Jeff Hawkins, Hass Babaie, Heidi, Marc and Will Baxter, Katherine Hatfield, Dan Kim, Lisa Greatorex, Carrie Soli, Aime Mitchell, Meaghan Carroll, Lando & Sara Alvarado, Shannon Schneider, Tom Richardson, Sara M. & Mary F., DJ J.R. and Rose.