“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”
Putting Our Hands in the Wounds

Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.” Thomas answered and said to him, “My Lord and my God!”

- John 20: 27-28

But when my hand / led by His hand’s firm clasp entered the unhealed wound, / my fingers encountering
rib-bone and pulsing heat / what I felt was not
scalding pain, shame for my / obstinate need, but light, light streaming / into me, over me, filling the room
as if I had lived till then / in a cold cave, and now coming forth for the first time, / the knot that bound me unravelling.

-Denise Levertov-

Nineteen years ago, on the edge of the new millenium, I was sitting on the Atlantic coast, at a retreat house in Gloucester, Massachusetts. I had been in the Jesuits for nearly sixteen years and was at the end of my second thirty-day silent retreat. Indeed, on this particular evening, I thought I was at the end! It had been a hard retreat, not because I was plagued by doubts about my vocation or because I had found it difficult to walk with Jesus—quite the contrary. It had been a hard retreat because I had, early on, finally and fully committed myself to Jesus, without the hesitancy that has so often plagued me before. Having realized my desire to jump in with both feet and, unhesitatingly, follow Christ, I had yelled out, one afternoon, “Okay, I am in!” And at that moment, walking along the rocks, I heard clearly a voice in my head say to me: “By the way, did I tell you about the cross?” But it was too late to step back; I was already in.

For the next ten days, I walked with Jesus on the same path we have all just walked—that Lenten journey towards Calvary and the cross. And it was, I confess, a hard walk; hard because (in that strange grace that God sometimes gives us), I finally really understood it. I finally experienced, in the depths of my heart, the road to Calvary—not as a mere faith journey, not as something distant or historical, but as something profoundly personal and undeniably real.

During those days, it was not just Christ I imagined crucified; rather, I also saw my sister, Elizabeth—who had suffered with diabetes since she was four-years old—hanging on the cross in agony. In that moment, I experienced, in a entirely new way, the depth of the Passion as a human event, as a moment of love, as a refusal by God to allow anything in our experience to be alien. Though it had always been part of my theology, in that week, the Incarnation became more than an idea, more than a concept. Here I knew what it meant that God takes everything human—

the loss and suffering, the abandonment and the weakness—and makes
it his own. For the first time in my life, this was more than an article of faith or a theological idea: it was the most profound and palpable reality.

Gazing at that cross and all the suffering of one whom I loved, I felt like Mary or the beloved disciple, and could not think of some future victory or some eternal prize. I could only know that moment. Likewise, I could not ask for more than this—could not ask Jesus to hang there just a little longer, so that I could believe. All I could think of was that this is enough! This is enough!

The cross is sign enough of God’s love, sign enough of Christ’s com-
passion, sign enough of how much I am cared for and embraced. In that moment, I felt as though I understood, for the first time, all that was being given for love of me. And it was enough.

Too often, I have thought of the resurrection as the “proof” given to make sense of the cross—as though the resurrection was the event that gave the cross its purpose. Somehow, I had thought, the resurrection fulfilled the cross, and the cross by itself meant nothing; it was just suffering. But on the rocks of Gloucester, all that changed as if I was finally seeing the cross for the first time, and for the first time could see what was going on.

The cross was enough!

Jesus could have run away, but he didn’t. He could have renounced his ministry and been set free by the Jewish leaders, but he refused. He could have even convinced Pilate to let him go—perhaps by promising to leave the area and giving up his claims of kingship—but he wouldn’t do that. No. The Son of God stands there, in the place of truth. He takes it all on so that I can know that I am loved, and that he won’t stop loving me to save himself. How could I ask for more of God than that? How could I expect more? How could I want more? How could any of us?

I wonder if this isn’t what Thomas was thinking in those days after the crucifixion. I wonder if he wasn’t satisfied—if he wasn’t resigned to the death of Jesus—not because he didn’t love him or because he thought that Jesus was a fraud, but because the cross was enough of a sign of love for him. On the cross, Jesus was a hero—was Thomas’ hero—who gave up his life, heroically, for his friends. Why look for more than that? Why look for some deeper meaning than the love of the cross? What could be deeper than laying down your life for your principles and for your friends?

There is a wonderful comfort in these thoughts, and I wonder if we don’t all look for such comfort, at times—even though it is painful. In such resignation, we at least seem to figure out what God is up to. And we resign ourselves to it—not in a bad way, necessarily, but in the sense that now, at least, we understand. Indeed, we can even be a little relieved that we have a handle on it; i.e., that the wondering and uncertainty, the hope and possibility is over. Though painful, at least this death makes sense—and that doesn’t feel like such a bad thing. Certainly it is better than the constant pain that hope can bring. When we accept sacrifice or loss, when we resign ourselves to it, we can at least find peace and rest. Hoping for anything more is crazy. If we accept the heroism of Christ, then we can move on to acceptance of all God has done—and that it is enough. We need no more.

Perhaps that is what Thomas felt when his friends told him they had seen the Lord, perhaps it is why he didn’t want to believe them: “This is enough, Lord. Thank you for what you have done. But I don’t need anything else!”

That is certainly what I felt, as I came to the last days of my retreat. I didn’t want or need the resurrection; I was resigned to the cross, satisfied that in Christ’s wounds was all the sign of God’s love I would ever need. All I wanted was for the retreat to end so I could go home. And then, two nights before the end of the retreat, unlooked for and unsought, the reality of the resurrection overwhelmed me. Like a wave you don’t see that knocks you off your feet, I suddenly and irrevocably knew it was all true. I can’t tell you why, or even explain what happened; it didn’t change the power of the cross, or somehow make the suffering and loss any less—but suddenly I knew, it is true, and I know that more than I know anything else in my life.

We often pick on Thomas—calling him “doubting Thomas” and making him the model of one without faith. Yet, we forget that none of the disciples believed, until Jesus came to them and showed them his hands and his side. For me, Thomas is the model of what we all must do. For when Christ comes to him on that first day of the week—and it is always the first day of the week, the beginning of something new, when Christ comes—Thomas does what we all have to do: he puts his hands into the wounds of Christ and believes what he cannot understand, believes not in Christ’s heroism, but in God’s gratuitous gift. His response is not theology or resignation, but simply, “My Lord and my God!”

The body of Christ is wounded in so many places and we must put our hands into the wounds—into the wounds that scar our lives, the places of alienation and anger, where parents are distanced from children and children from parents, where we face depression and disappointment, where we feel lonely and weak; we must put our hands in the wounds of the world, where blood runs in the streets of Syria and on the campus of Parkland, where women are kidnapped in Nigeria and left starving in the refugee camps of the Sudan; we must put our hands into the horrible wounds that mark our Church, the wounds of scandal and broken promises, the wounds that seem never to be healed. Like Thomas, we must put our hands there, and believe that God is doing something new, and that, even as we put our hands into these wounds, they become glorious signs of God’s unreasonable gift.

This makes no sense. It is not heroic. But God does not want us to be heroes; God wants us to be saints. And in the end there are no reasons that make us believe in resurrection, in the overarching mercy of God. As Thomas realized, it is all gift; it is all grace; it is all miracle. We should expect it to happen today.

WELCOME!

New? Visiting? Interested? Are you visiting for the first time or the 100th? Interested in knowing more about the ministries and activities at St. Joseph Parish? Our parish welcoming committee is hosting a “Newcomers Meet, Greet & Eat” event on Tuesday, May 8th at 6:00 pm. Mark your calendars and make sure to join us, meet parish staff, meet other new parishioners and learn about the many ministry opportunities here at St. Joseph. Questions, email caprices@stjosephparish.org
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 take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; 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.
First Reading
Acts 4:32-35
The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 118
Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; God’s mercy endures forever; Let the house of Israel say: God’s mercy endures forever.
The hand of the Lord has struck with power, God’s right hand is exalted, I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord.
The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone, the Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes!

Second Reading
1 John 5:1-6
Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?
This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

Gospel Acclamation
Storrington Mass
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.
Gospel
On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.”

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”

Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.” Thomas answered and said to him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.”

Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

Reflection
Sam Kennedy

Offertory Songs
(5&11) I Know That My Redeemer Liveth
Handel

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.
And though worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.
For now is Christ risen from the dead, the first fruits of them that sleep.

(9) We Walk By Faith
SHANTI

none e'er spoke; But we believe him near,
we rejoice, And cry, "My Lord and God!"
you are near, And seek where you are found:
as you are, With full and endless sight.
Holy, Holy, Holy

Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your
glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na, ho-san-na in the high-est.

Mystery of Faith

Save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your
Cross and Res-ur-ree-tion you have set us free.

Great Amen

A-men, a-men, a-men.
A-men, a-men, a-men.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
mer-cy on us.
Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.
All Are Invited To Come Forward
During communion, we invite all to come forward. If you do not ordinarily receive Eucharist, or choose not to, come for a blessing, indicating your desire by putting your hand on your heart.

If you have a gluten allergy, & need a gluten free host, please come to the presider & indicate this.

Communion Songs

Easter Alleluia

O FILII ET FILLIAE

Communion Songs

Haas
I Know That My Redeemer Lives

1. I know that my Redeemer lives; What joy the blest assurance gives!
2. He lives, to bless me with his love; He lives, to plead for me above;
3. He lives, and grants me daily breath; He lives, my hunger soul to feed;
4. He lives, all glory to his name; He lives, my Savior still the same; What joy the blest assurance gives;

He lives, my everlasting Head!
He lives, to help in time of need.
He lives, to bring me safely there.
I know that my Redeemer lives!

(5:30) Surrexit Christus Alleluia

Surrexit Christus, alleluia!
Can-ta-te Do-mi-no, alleluia!

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
7:00 AM Mass
7:00 PM Yoga

Wednesday
7:00 AM Mass

Thursday
7:00 AM Mass

Friday
7:00 AM Mass
11:30 AM Anointing Mass

Saturday
3:30 PM Reconciliation
5:00 PM Mass
**We Are St. Joseph**

**Service Day Descriptions - April 27th & 28th**

**Friday, April 27th  10:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Chief Seattle Club**

“To provide a sacred space to nurture, affirm and renew the spirit of urban Native Peoples” Five days a week, we offer a place where urban American Indians and Alaska Natives, many of whom are homeless and low-income, can join to share a common meal, speak their own languages, access social services, and find peace, without fear of public censure or discrimination. 410 2nd Ave Ext South Seattle 98104  206- 292-6214 http://www.chiefseattleclub.org/

3-8 volunteers needed Ages 18 and older.

Volunteers will be painting the kitchen, wear painting clothes! Lunch provided, bring your own water.

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**Friday, April 27th  10:00 am – 1:00 pm**

**Jubilee Women’s Center**

Providing safe, affordable and supportive community housing and services for women since 1983 Jubilee serves nearly 1,500 low-income women in the community with classes on technology, life skills and job readiness, community referrals, an open computer lab and free clothing boutique. 620 18th Ave E Seattle, WA 98112, 206-324-1244  http://jwcenter.org

6-12 volunteers needed Ages 21 and older.

Dress comfortably and for the weather. Bring a brown bag lunch. Bringing gardening gloves and tools (brooms, trowels, shovels etc optional but encouraged.)

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**Friday, April 27th  9:00 am – Noon**

**Peace for the Streets by Kids from the Streets**

We exist to support homeless at-risk youth and young adults to become empowered to lead positive and self-sufficient lives. 1609 19th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122  206-726-8500 Ext 111  http://www.psks.org/

4-6 Volunteers needed ages 18 and older.

Volunteers to do Spring deep cleaning and organizing of PSKS mains spaces. Bring your own snacks/water. Dress comfortably.

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**Saturday, April 28th  10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**Pregnancy & Parenting Support:**

**Catholic Community Services**

The primary focus of the Pregnancy and Parenting Support Program is to assist pregnant and newly parenting women, the fathers of the babies, their families and significant others in creating a plan for the unborn child and addressing the pertinent issues integral to making the plan work. 4250 South Mead Street, Seattle 98118 (St Edward Parish, Old rectory) 206-725-2090 http://www.cccsw.org/site/PageServer?pagename=families_pregnancysupport

6-8 Volunteers needed 18 and older. We need 1-2 folks who have a truck for hauling items! Turn over soil in the garden beds, remove weeds, haul away miscellaneous yard items, repair garden boxes, add compost and spread mulch. Some indoor handywork needed. Dress for outdoor work and volunteers need to bring their own gardening tools (shovel, rake, wheel barrow, pruning shears etc..) Brown Bag Lunch.

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**Saturday, April 28th  10:30 am to 3:30 pm**

**L’Arche Noah Sealth**

The Mission of L’Arche is: To make known the gifts of people with developmental disabilities, revealed through mutually transforming relationships. To engage in our diverse cultures, working together toward a more humane society. 1425 E Ward St., Sea, 98112, 206-325-9434 http://www.larcheseattle.org/

12 Volunteers - children over 12 if accompanied by parent. We will be splitting into 3 groups: One to focus on yard maintenance, another to paint a bedroom and a third sanding and/or painting a back deck. Wear closed toe shoes and grubby clothing you can get paint and dirt on. Lunch and drinks provided.

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**Saturday, April 28th  10:00 am – 2:00 pm**

**St. Francis House**

St. Francis House is established in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi to be a presence in Seattle to serve those in need and to inspire simplicity and charity in its volunteers and those they serve. No one is turned away. Everything that is donated to us is given away, free of charge, no questions asked. 169 12th Ave 98122  206-621-0945
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8 Volunteers - Children over 12 accompanied by Parent

Spring cleaning inside and out, yardwork, gardening, and donation sorting. Bring work gloves, general yard and outdoor tools (brooms, rakes, trowels, clippers etc.) and cleaning supplies for inside (bucket, gloves, spray bottles, concentrated cleaner) Bring your own snacks/lunch.

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Saturday, April 28th  10:00 am – 2:00 pm
St. Vincen de Paul - Georgetown Warehouse

St. Vincent de Paul in Seattle and King County is made up of more than 50 conferences—“all-volunteer neighborhood support groups” who make personal in-home visits and personal contacts to help people with survival and self-sufficiency support. Every year we know our service plays a major role in helping to prevent evictions, all of which are expensive personal and financial tragedies.

About this Event: Volunteers will assist in sorting incoming clothing donations.

10-20 Volunteers - Ages 14 and older accompanied by parent. Snacks provided. Brown Bag lunch

Saturday, April 28th  10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Recovery Café

Recovery Café and its School for Recovery serve men and women who have suffered trauma, homelessness, addiction and/or other mental health challenges. In this loving community, men and women experience belonging, healing and the joy of contributing. The Café and School for Recovery helps participants develop tools for maintaining recovery and stabilizing in mental/physical health, housing, relationships and employment/volunteer service. 2022 Boren Ave Seattle, WA 98122 206-374-8731 http://www.recoverycafe.org/

10-12 volunteer - Age 14 if accompanied by parent

Volunteers will help distribute woodchips around the perimeter of the Café. This requires transporting by wheelbarrow and then spreading. Some volunteers needed to do wedding. Dress comfortably for outdoor work. Please bring any wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, wedding tools and gardening gloves. We serve lunch at 12:30 pm and volunteers are welcome to eat with Café’s members.

Saturday, April 28th  10:00 am – 1:00 pm
Westside Baby

WestSide Baby was founded in 2001 by a new mom who recognized the stresses of caring for an infant. We are the only social service agency in west King county area that collects, inspects and distributes free diapers, clothing, cribs and safety gear for babies and children. More than 114 local social service agencies, including shelters and food banks, rely upon us to provide critical necessities for low-income families. For more information visit their website http://westsidebaby.org/

Volunteers will sort incoming donations along with bundling diapers into care packages to be given to local families.

10-20 Volunteers - Ages 8 and older accompanied by parent. Wear closed toe shoes and comfortable clothing, bring your snacks and water.

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Saturday, April 28th  10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Provail - 2 locations

PROVAIL is one of Washington State’s largest, multi-service agencies dedicated to meeting the needs of children, youth, and adults with disabilities who need an integrated, complex set of services to live life according to their own choices. PROVAIL offers a comprehensive range of services to support people, with even the most severe disabilities, in all major areas of life so they can live, work, play, and fully participate in the community of their choice. Learn more about by going to their website https://provail.org/ For more information contact Sue Grady at sue.e.grady@gmail.com or 503-329-5919.

1548 NE 175th St. Shoreline

5-6 Volunteers ages 12 and older accompanied by Parent. Volunteers will be building vegetable and flower gardens for the residents. Bring your own garden tools, gloves, hand shovels, rakes etc and dress for outdoor gardening! Snacks/Water provided. Brown Bag lunch.

15744 Wallingford Ave N. Shoreline

5-6 Volunteers ages 12 and older accompanied by Parent. At this location, we will digging, bring shovels, rakes, clippers to prune climbing ivy. Wheelbarrows would be ideal, also paper lawn bags Dress for outdoor gardening. Snacks/Water provided. Brown Bag lunch.
St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: May the glow of Easter remain with us, as we pray for peace and love in our lives and the world. May Beth be blessed with a hasty and complete recovery from surgery. For Janet’s walking and balance to improve and may she be blessed with a peaceful heart about all of her concerns. Each day may we be guided to do God’s will through prayer, good works and love for one another.

Trust in him at all times, pour out your hearts before him; God is a refuge for us.
~Psalm 62:8

Budget Shortfall Update
Thank you for the wonderful response to the letter Father Whitney wrote concerning our budget shortfall this year. To date we have received $72,000 in gifts earmarked for the shortfall of $150,000. We are just shy of half way to our goal. If you did not receive a copy of the letter or have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me.

Thank you,
Marti McGaughey
Pastoral Assistant for Administration
marti@stjosephparish.org

Come Pray With Us!
Monday Night Prayer Groups
Join us in prayer on Monday, April 9th at 7 pm. There are two prayer groups meeting. Join our Sacred Silence prayer group in the Parish Center Jogues room or come pray the Rosary in the Parish Center Chapel.

The Sacred Silence prayer group will gather in the church for an hour of silent prayer. For information, contact Jim Hoover at sacredsilence@stjosephparish.org or 206-286-0313.

Praying the Rosary can help us face the often harsh realities of life with hope and grace. People will help guide those who are just learning.

Racial Justice Book Group
So you want to talk about Race? By Ijeoma Oluo.
Thursday April 12th - 7:00 – 9:00 pm - Parish Center

Please join the St. Joseph Racial Justice in America Book Group for study, reflection and opportunities for action and solidarity on issues of race in America. Our first book is “So you want to talk about Race?” By Ijeoma Oluo. This group provides a safe space for the exploration and discussion of difficult issues, with the ultimate goal of discovering for each of us how to live the Gospel message in light of the sin of racism so alive in our country today. Please Rsvp to Mary de Rosas at mderosas@pnwimmigration.com or Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.
Young Adults

FAITH AND MONEY: Utilizing Biblical Principles in managing Finances

Come and hear the story of parishioners David Fitzpatrick & Martha Callahan who are hosting a class through the Financial Peace University https://www.daveramsey.com/fpu on Sunday, April 8th 6:30 pm – 7:30. Immediately following the 5:30 Mass in the Parish Center. Sponsord by St. Joseph Young Adult Ministry but open to all parishioners. For more information contact David and Martha at dfitzpatrick11@gmail.com or Deacon Steve Wodzanski at 206-965-1646.

Spring Hike to Margaret’s Way
Saturday April 14th - 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Whether you’re a hiking pro or have never hiked before in your life, join us for fun and fellowship on the trail! Please bring a brown bag lunch and water. Everyone is welcome! We’ll meet at the St. Joseph Parking Lot at 8 and carpool together to the trailhead. No parking pass is required! Please contact Sabrina at sfordyce@spu.edu with any questions! https://www.wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/margarets-way

Third Sunday Socials: Canterbury Ale House
Sunday, April 15th - 6:30-8 pm - Canterbury Ale House

New to St Joseph? Not new to St. Joseph? Looking to continue your fellowship outside of Mass? Join us for Third Sunday Socials at Canterbury Ale House (534 15th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98112) on each third Sunday of the month. This is a casual, no-obligation, social way to connect with fellow St Joe’s Catholics. Open to all ages. Meet at the back of church the 5:30pm Sunday Mass or meet us there. Questions? Reach out to Patrick Mireur (pmireur@gmail.com)

Soulful Soups April 16th

Missing those family-style meals from the holidays? Join us for Soulful Soups: Soulful Soups is an opportunity to join fellow young adults for a family-style meal. We will be wrapping up Soup season on April 16th, with plans to begin again in the Fall. Join us for our last session and to end the year well! email Callie for the address/to RSVP: cturgeon10@gmail.com

LGBTQ Ministry

Join St. Joseph’s LGBTQ Ministry for happy hour, April 9th, we will be at Liberty Bar (517 15th Ave E) from 5-7pm. All are welcome and encouraged to join us.

If you are looking for an opportunity to give back to the community, St. Joseph’s LGBTQ Ministry will partake in Dining Out For Life 2018, April 26th from 6:00 – 7:30 PM at DeLuxe Bar and Grill. (625 Broadway Ave. E, Seattle) 30% of the proceeds go to support the work of Lifelong. For more information please contact lgbt@stjosephparish.org

Men’s Ministry Spring Retreat

Begins: Friday, May 4th – 8:00 pm
Ends: Sunday, May 6th ~ 11:00 am
Location: Dumas Bay Retreat Center, Federal Way
- Bring toiletries, a sleeping bag, pillow & towel.
- Register to Reserve a Spot – Cost $195
Animators – Rob Carroll, Dick Ellis, Kevin Farewell, Pablo Proano, Josh Sanderson, Dave Spicer.

To reserve your spot, email Deacon Steve stevew@stjosephparish.org

Women’s Ministry

Spring Mass & Potluck
Friday, May 11th - 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Join our vibrant community and Fr. Julian Climaco, S.J. as we welcome spring! Bring a friend and food & drink to share.

RSVP to women@stjosephparish.org
Online Bible Study
Did you know that St. Joseph has an Online Bible Study with reflections written by parishioners? This is the perfect opportunity to make a little space in your busy week to read and pray with the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday. Join our online community and allow your fellow parishioners to help deepen your prayer life through their reflections. https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.wordpress.com/

Sunday Parenting Group: Love in the Family
Join other families, during our Sunday Hospitality Hour, 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. Meet by the Social Hall stage around 10:20 am. For more information, contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1652.

Catholicism 101 Series
Begins Tuesday April 17 and continues every Tuesday until May 15.

From 7:00 pm – 8:30 - Parish Center, Brebeuf Room

This 5 week series is intended for both Catholic and Non-Catholics who are seeking a better understanding of the basic tenants of Catholic Teaching. There will be a balance of content, group discussion, and an integration of various Catholic Prayer styles to help nurture your faith journey.

Topics Covered
- Faith, Desire for God & The Creed
- Jesus and Incarnational Theology
- Catholics & the Bible
- Sacraments
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Mary & the Saints

This series is Co-Facilitated by, Amanda Baumgartner & Theresa Shepherd-Lukasik.

Any questions, theresal@stjosephparish.org

JESUIT PUGET SOUND

A Long, Loving Look at the Real: Praying with Stories of Racism and Privilege
Wednesday, April 25, 2018 - 6:30 pm Social | 7:00 pm Program - Parish Center, Seattle
Lucas Sharma, SJ, facilitator | Mary de Rosas, Mary Pauline Diaz and Deino Scott

Come to an evening of reflection on racism and privilege, facilitated by Seattle University sociology lecturer and Jesuit-in-formation, Lucas Sharma, SJ. Listen to the insights of three local Ignatian-inspired leaders - Mary de Rosas, Mary Pauline Diaz and Deino Scott - who will share their real life stories of racism and privilege. Join them in taking "a long, loving look at the real" (Walter Burghardt, SJ). Experience how Ignatian prayer and the Spiritual Exercises can lend a God's-eye perspective on our stories of both love and lament in the journey toward racial justice.

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The Relics of Saint Padre Pio come to the Archdiocese of Seattle

Saturday, May 5, 2018
St. James Cathedral

9:00am MASS
celebrated by Archbishop Sartain

10:00am-4:30pm
VENERATION of the RELICS

Come venerate the official relics of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of his death (September 23, 1968).

ALL ARE WELCOME.

St. James Cathedral is located at 9th and Marion on First Hill in downtown Seattle.

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