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St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

Homily This Week: Deacon Steve Wodzanowski Homily Next Week: John D. Whitney, S.J.

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

Readings for September 30, 2018

FIRST READING: NUMBERS 11:25-29 SECOND READING: JAMES 5:1-6 GOSPEL: MARK 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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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Fr. Whitney is taking a well-earned vacation this week. Please join us in enjoying one of his past columns, with a message on humility that seems timely today.

Graced Failure

Jesus teaches us another way: Go out. Go out and share your testimony, go out and interact with your brothers, go out and share, go out and ask. Become the Word in body as well as spirit.

-Pope Francis-

When he was a young man, he thought that he would be one of the great heroes he had read about in literature, fighting for the just cause and winning the struggle for his beloved. When he grew older, the object of his affections changed, and he saw himself doing great things for the Blessed Lady, instead of his lady at court—yet, still Iñigo de Loyola thought that to be someone of value he must first become someone other than who he was. But God, who can bless a few barley loaves meant for the lunch of one boy and make them feed a multitude, saw that what was needed for Iñigo was not to become someone else; rather, he need only accept the blessings already waiting for him in his life—that would be enough and, indeed, more than enough.

During these last few weeks, since the celebration of his feast day on 31 July, I have been re-reading Ignatius' Autobiography, and have been amazed at how contemporary it seems. Despite all the distance of time and circumstance, the life of the *Pilgrim*—as Ignatius calls his younger self—seems strangely attuned to the current of our world today. Here is Iñigo, a child of privilege, raised in a culture punctuated by both violence and sentimentality. He is a man of conventional attitudes, defending the popular opinion of his social class and supporting the institutions of his day, including civil society, where he hopes to thrive, and the Church, towards which he has a comfortable, conventional relationship appropriate to one of his class and status; i.e., not too much passion but willing to show up when needed and support the hierarchy in the customary way. Though egotistical, it seems clear that Iñigo is not at peace with himself, feeling he has not yet established himself, not become the success he is meant to be. He fears being a loser, a failure in the eyes of the world, and so he takes up arms—the tools at his disposal—to prove his value to himself and others. These arms are a means, just as wealth and glory are means to others, to create a persona of significance. But the goal is always to become the success he imagines in his mind. Further, even after the experience at Pamplona, where he is wounded and comes to know God, Iñigo remains controlled by the same demons. Though he renounces arms in favor of prayer and penance, he remains a simultaneously egotistical and insecure person, as he looks to establish his value as a man of God by becoming someone other than himself.

Throughout the Autobiography, Ignatius recounts how his younger self fails time and again to become the hero he desires to be, and how he gradually comes to see that the failures themselves are God's graces to him. These lessons are learned not through books or lectures, but through experiences—some of which have become legendary. There is the story of Manresa, where the Pilgrim, fresh from laying his sword and shield down before the Virgin Mary at the monastery of Montserrat, stops to spend a few days in prayer on his way to becoming the new Francis or the new Dominic, only to have his life as a hermit upended by fears of failure and suicidal thoughts. He ends up, unexpectedly, spending months in this small village, working in a hospital and reveling in the presence of God. It is at Manresa, we are told, that God treats Ignatius, "like a master with a schoolboy," revealing to him, as he sits along the banks of the Cardoner River, insights that would gradually grow into the Spiritual Exercises. Though he fails in his quest to become the hero he imagines—i.e., to become Dominic or Francis-at Manresa, Iñigo begins to become someone he had never expected to be: himself, fully alive.

But to become Ignatius does not happen all at once: that path runs through many failures and many surprising twists and turns. It runs through his failed attempts at preaching and teaching on the roads of Spain, where, because he did not have a degree, he is arrested by the Inquisition and restricted in his ministry, leading him to go to Paris to study. In Paris, because he is not very good at Latin, he finds a tutor in his young roommate, Pierre Favre, who, in return, wants to know more about these Spiritual Exercises, eventually becoming a companion with Ignatius, bringing along their other roommate, Francis Xavier—despite the fact that Ignatius had not really been looking for companions. This path of failure continues, this time including his friends, when the ten who had come to join their company make vows in a small chapel in Montmartre to go to the Holy Land as pilgrims—a plan which fails because of the wars that block transportation to that region for more than a year. Finally, after consistently failing to realize his own plans, Ignatius, with his friends, head towards Rome, to put themselves at the disposal of the Pope, who may know what he should do and become.

It is on the way to Rome, stopping at a crossroads chapel called LaStorta, that the Pilgrim at last realizes his own desire to become someone else—some ideal he has kept in his mind—is not the truth of his call. As he prays quietly, it comes to him in what he, himself, will never call a vision: there is Christ, carrying his cross, with the Father above him, who speaks to the Son: "I want you to take this man into your company." Then the Son says to Ignatius: "I want you to be in my Company. And I will be good to you all in Rome." In that moment, the failed soldier,

the failed hermit, the failed Dominic, the failed Francis, the failed wandering teacher, the failed pilgrim, the failed apostle to the infidels, realizes that all his failures have been God's grace, loving him towards his deepest self. This is who he is: the companion of Jesus, the one loved and chosen whose failures were always about himself, but whose great success is about communion.

We live in a culture obsessed with notions of success though those notions may not always be the same. For some, success is about becoming as rich and powerful as Bill Gates; for others, it is about being as spiritually wise as Richard Rohr, or as humble as Mother Teresa; for still others, it is about being as famous as Kanye or Kim. Too often, however, success is about becoming someone other than we are, about losing ourselves in the sheen and luster of an image we hold. Indeed, for some Ignatius himself (or rather, Ignatius as we imagine him) becomes that idol to which we aspire. But the lesson of Ignatius' life is that we cannot become Ignatius. . .or Francis, or Dominic, or Kim, or Kanye, or Mother Teresa, or Bill Gates. . . and to seek that only leads to heartache. Each woman and each man is called to be herself or himself—uniquely made, uniquely loved by God, who holds our deeper being with a love that is the only true measure of success.

May we fail, as Ignatius did, to maintain the structures of ego and fear that keep us from our true self, and keep our true self from the world. May we fall, and find waiting for us the grace of God, who picks us up and points us (the true us) towards the world.

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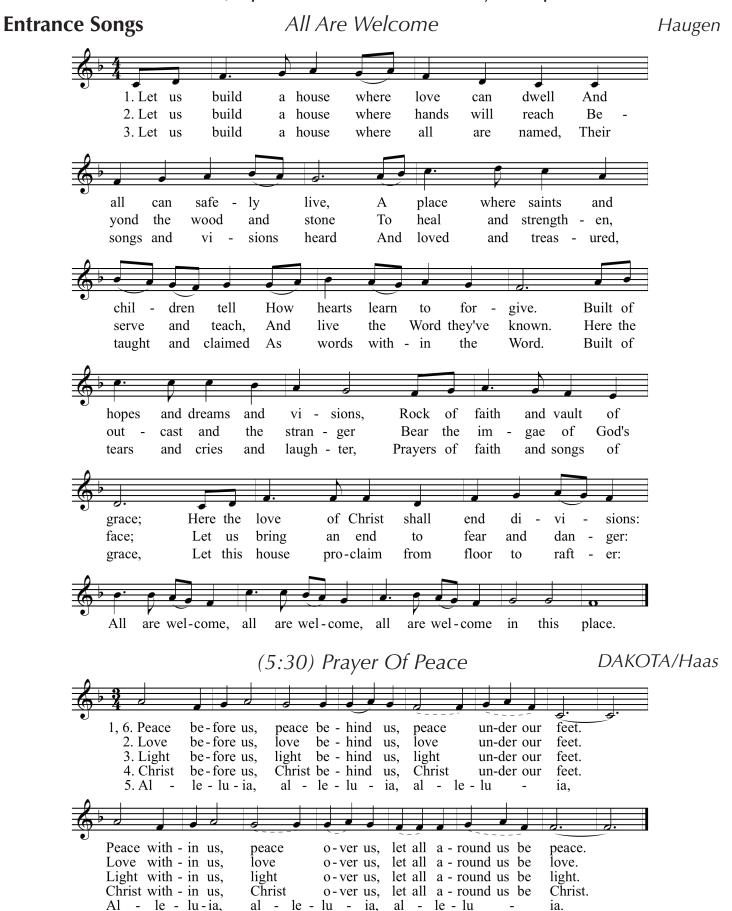
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Register! Are you a Catholic attending Mass at St. Joseph Parish, yet haven't officially registered? Join us!

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

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome to St. Joseph. Please take a moment to silence your cell phones.



Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

The wicked say:

Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us; he sets himself against our doings,

reproaches us for transgressions of the law

and charges us with violations of our training.

Let us see whether his words be true;

let us find out what will happen to him.

For if the just one be the son of God, God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes.

With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test that we may have proof of his gentleness and try his patience.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death;

for according to his own words, God will take care of him.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 54

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O God, save me by your name; by your power, defend my cause.

O God, hear my prayer; give ear to the words of my mouth.

For the proud have risen against me, and the ruthless seek my life. They have no regard for God.

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul.

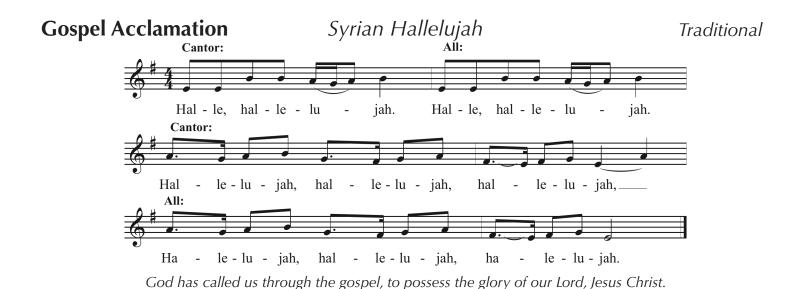
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, for it is good.

Second Reading

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Beloved: Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members? You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war. You do not possess because you do '.': not ask. You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.



Gospel Mark 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him.

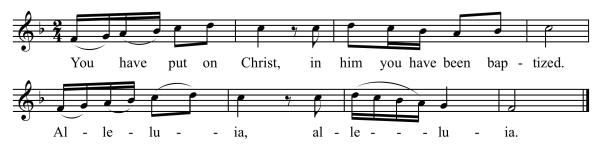
They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

Homily

Deacon Steve Wodzanowski



(9&11) You Have Put On Christ





Servant Song

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(9) Choral: Awake My Heart

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Wake my heart, sing, my voice. Awake, my heart, arise, my tongue, prepare a tuneful voice, in God the life of all my joys aloud will I rejoice.

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Awake, my soft and tuneful harp, awake each charming string before the rosy dawn of day, to you, my God, I'll sing.

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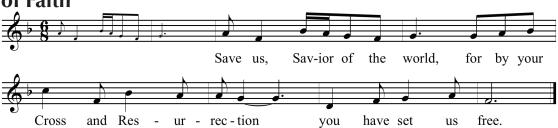
Let us raise voices high. Come let us raise our voices high, form a sacred song to God who rules the earth and sky, and does our days prolong.

Then to God shall we sing, hasten that great day when our redeemer shall come down, and shadows pass away.

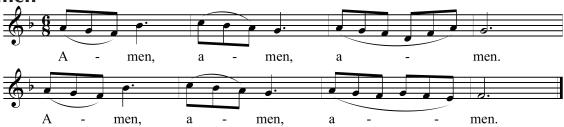




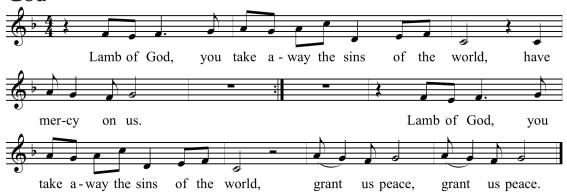
Mystery of Faith



Great Amen



Lamb of God



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.

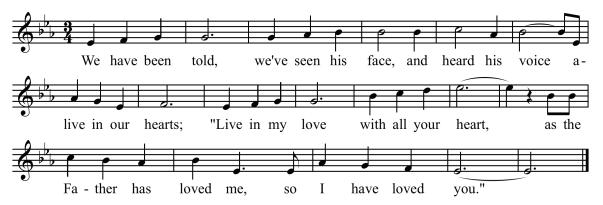
IF YOU HAVE A GLUTEN ALLERGY, & NEED A GLUTEN FREE HOST, PLEASE COME TO THE PRESIDER & INDICATE THIS.







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Parish Life

Seniors On The Go

Wednesday, October 3rd - Join us for a matinee of *BASKERVILLE: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery* at the Taproot Theatre. Leave St. Joseph at 11:30 am then have lunch at a restaurant in Greenwood followed by the play at 2pm. Cost is \$10 for play ticket and whatever you spend on lunch. To reserve your spot, call Renee at 206.324.2522 ext 100.

Friday, October 5th - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am. Followed by our delicious luncheon. Join us for fellowhip and lunch after Mass.

Young Adults Faith & Money: Utilizing Biblical Principles in Managing Finances

Join in a 9-week personal finance bootcamp and train in the principals of biblical finance. Take control of your money, get out of debt, and create a plan for the future. Parishioners David and Martha host another season of Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University. Space is limited to 10 spots. It's on Tuesday at 6:30 PM, starting on September 25. I'm really excited about it and can't wait to get started! You can register for my group here: https://fpu.com/1074151. Let me know if you have any questions. David Fitzpatrick dfitzpatrick11@gmail.com

FAITH FORMATION

Welcome Marie Pitman Director of Religious Education

I grew up in a large family and predominately Catholic neighborhood two blocks from St. Francis of Assisi parish in Burien. There were thirty kids in the houses that immediately surrounded our quarter acre. And that didn't count my nine brothers and sisters and me! I have a huge family. I am an aunt 54 times! Having 23 nieces and nephews, 31 great nieces and nephews and 1 great-great nephew!

I attended Seattle University and graduated with a degree in Religious Studies. While I was in between degrees, I was employed in retail, insurance, and in an accounting office. I moved to the Washington D.C. area to pursue my graduate degree. It had been my dream for some time and when I ventured off, I had no job and no place to live, just the deep conviction that this is where God wanted me to be. I studied Theology at Washington Theological Union with an emphasis in Sacred Scripture.

I enjoy camping and have camped along Skyline Drive, in the Great Smokey Mountains, near Mount Rainier, and along the North Cascades Highway.

I have ministered as a Director of Religious Education in a parish in the Archdiocese of Baltimore and the Diocese of Arlington. I am very happy to be back home in the Pacific Northwest and the Archdiocese of Seattle and to be able to share my gifts with the great community of St. Joseph!

I have been a professed Secular Carmelite for 22 years. I was introduced to Carmelite spirituality through several members of my childhood parish. After discerning a vocation I joined the Discalced Carmelite Order. My charism very much defines who I am and how I live out my Catholic faith. Even though Carmel and the Church is blessed with many great Saints, including two women Doctors of the Church, St. Teresa of Avila and St. Therese of Lisieux, my favorite Saint is St. Thomas More. I hope to imitate his prudence more and more in my life

Stop by and say hi, or call 206.965.1652, or email mariep@stjosephparish.org



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FAITH FORMATION

Come and See What the Catholic Faith has to offer

KICK-OFF SEPTEMBER 25TH - Tuesdays - 7:00 - 8:30pm - Parish Center

- Are you, your spouse, a friend, or an acquaintance a member of another faith tradition but worship regularly here at St. Joseph's?
- Are you experiencing God's call in your life and seeking Baptism or full communion or Confirmation with the Catholic Church?
- If you are, please consider participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. The RCIA is an opportunity to explore with others what the Catholic Church has to offer. It is an opportunity, through a process of discernment and gradual conversion to become a full member of the Catholic Church.

 If you are interested, contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 965-1646.

All are welcome in this journey of faith.

Children's Faith Formation Course Offerings

Children's Faith Formation Childcare: During the 9am Mass for children 1-3 years old. This is a time for your child to begin experiencing church through playtime. Children are supervised by a paid adult and volunteer youth. Open year-round, register at any time. The annual fee is \$100.

Children's Faith Formation Pre-Kindergarten (CFF Pre-K): During the 9am Mass for children *3 1/2-5 years old. This is a hands-on, Montessori-style class for our young ones. *Your child should be out of diapers and able to follow simple directions, such as those given in a pre-school setting. The annual fee is \$40.

Children's Faith Formation K (CFF K): During the 9am Mass for children currently enrolled in Kindergarten (private, public, home, or parish school) beginning in the fall. Classes consist of scripture stories, arts & crafts, songs, and gym playtime. Pickup is in the old gym across from the Social Hall. The annual fee is \$40.

Children's Faith Formation 1 (CFF 1): The first of a two year Sacramental Preparation program for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Participation and completion of CFF 1 (or equivalent) is required before the second year, during which your child would receive these sacraments. This includes children in our parish school, public school, other private school or home school. The annual fee is \$75.

Children's Faith Formation 2 (CFF 2): ALL children planning to receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this upcoming school year must have completed the CFF 1 class (or equivalent) last year whether you attend our parish school, public school, other private school or home school. Additional retreat and home materials provided for immediate preparation. There is a \$125 annual fee.

Children's Faith Formation Year 3 & 4 (CFF 3/4): This class is for children to reflect, learn, and continue to practice their faith. We will continue to use arts, scripture studies, and community building activities to strengthen our faith and knowledge of the Church. The annual fee is \$40.

Children's Faith Formation Year 5 & 6 (CFF 5/6): This class for youth in 5th & 6th grades focuses on the liturgy, Church teachings and growing faith through prayer. The annual fee is \$40.

Children's Faith Formation Year Junior High: This class is a 3-year Bible study for youth in 7th, 8th, & 9th grades. The annual fee is \$40 for each of the classes PLUS \$25 for materials (Bible & workbook).

High School Confirmation: Youth must be at least 16 years old by the Confirmation Mass date (late January/early February), already received the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist, and continued in ongoing faith formation through parish programs or Catholic High School. Students are actively seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation and are participating members in their parish and personal faith life. Classes begin the end of September and ends in January. The annual fee is \$150.

To sign up www.stjosephparish.org

LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Blessing the Animals on the Feast of St Francis of Assisi

Wednesday, October 4 | 6:00 PM Outside on front lawn of St. Joseph Parish

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



The Archdiocese of Seattle Red Mass

October 6, 2018 - St. James Cathedral at 10:00 am Reception to Follow

All are welcome to participate in the celebration of the Red Mass which brings together members of the law community, including judges, attorneys, law school faculty and staff, students, and all members of the legal profession.

RSVP by October 1 at tinyuri.com/seattleredmass2018

Please Join Us In Prayer For The Families Having Children Baptized This Weekend

The Heavey Family
The Shumway Family
The Mayor Family
The Spaniola Family
The Wakefield Family

Come Pray With Us! Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer on **Monday, September 24th at 7 pm.** There are two prayer groups meeting. Join our Sacred Silence prayer group in the Church or come pray the Rosary in the Parish Center Chapel.

The Sacred Silence prayer group will gather in the church for an hour of silent prayer. Please arrive before 7 pm as the doors are locked right at 7. 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.



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For Emilie in her discernment in the choices she has to make. For Mary and Brian for a successful recovery for their knee surgeries

May our hearts be full of Hope and be blessed with the love of God in our lives...

~John 15:16

FAITH JUSTICE

St. Joseph Prison Ministry Visit

Monroe Correctional Facility - Friday, Sept. 28th 4:00 pm - 9:30 pm - Carpool from St. Joseph Brown Bag Dinner

Join Deacon Steve for Catholic Communion Service plus a chance to hear stories from some of the men who are incarcerated. You must be willing to fill out a visitor application. Deadline is September 13th. Contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org



Blood Drive

Monday, September 24th - St. Joseph Parish Center 1 pm to 7 pm - (closed 3 pm - 4 pm)

To make an appointment, please email Renee Leet at rleet@stjosephparish.org or call 206-324-2522 ext 100. For questions about eligibility, please call 800-398-7888.