



The  
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the  
Parish

2018-2019

St. Joseph Parish

The Jesuit Parish in Seattle



**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**OCTOBER 21, 2018**

**Homily This Week: John D. Whitney, S.J.**  
**Homily Next Week: Julian Climaco, S.J.**

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**Saturday - 5 pm**

**Sunday - 9 am , 11 am & 5:30 pm**

**Readings for October 28, 2018**

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 31:7-9

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 5:1-6

GOSPEL: MARK 10:46-52

**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**

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## The State of St. Joseph Parish

Dear Friends and Companions: Peace of Christ!

In the early days of 1552, hearing that Francis Xavier had reached the shores of Japan with the first missionary outreach to that land, Ignatius of Loyola wrote from Rome a brief letter of encouragement and love, telling his dear friend, *"The Society's affairs, by God's goodness alone, are going forward and constantly increasing. . . : these, his least instruments, are being made use of by the One who—with them or without them—is the author of all good."*

Today, almost 457 years later, we at St. Joseph might report the same thing. For, despite divisions in civil society and great anguish in the Church, God continues to draw us forward and to increase the ministry and scope of St. Joseph Parish. Through the grace of God—a grace made flesh by all the women and men who sacrifice and serve, who love and pray, who join together at the table and go forth into the world—the ministry of the Society of Jesus at St. Joseph has grown stronger and more diverse over the last several years. Whether in our School or in our ministry to young adults, our work among prisoners or our advocacy for migrants and refugees, in liturgy and Children's Faith Formation, electronic outreach and our celebration of the Sacraments, we have grown through the goodness of God into a place of welcome, a community of pilgrims who still have far to go, but who, even in our weakness, are moving forward together, thanks to the abiding presence of the *"author of all good."*

This fall marks the beginning of my tenth year at St. Joseph, and so, as part of this State of the Parish report, I would like to outline some of the growth we have seen, especially over the last five years. Using the area distinctions first developed during our visioning process in 2010—i.e., Liturgy and Worship, Faith Justice, Faith Formation, and Parish Life—and supplementing these with a brief overview of our School and administrative structures, I offer this reflection on my sense of the state of St. Joseph. Though it is not the last word (one of my experiences at St. Joseph is that *"last words"* are hard to come by), I hope it will offer us food for thought and discussion, and perhaps make our steps towards the next years a bit surer.

## Liturgy and Worship

The primary work of St. Joseph Parish remains, as it has always been, the celebration of the Sacraments and the gathering of the community for worship and prayer. In the last few years, a number of new opportunities for prayer have been explored while others received greater support in the Parish. From Sacred Silence to Taizé, from the Rosary Group to Centering Prayer, St. Joseph has been a place where various communal prayer experiences are offered. At the same time, the celebration of the Sacraments has remained vital to our identity and a primary draw to new members of the community. Over the last five years, St. Joseph has welcomed over 419 new members into the Church through Baptism, has Confirmed over 223 young adults, and has brought 493 children to the table through First Communion. At the same time, we have celebrated the lives of more than 140 people, through Funeral Masses and Celebrations of Life. Each of these liturgical experiences has been surrounded by preparation and accompaniment, and celebrated in a spirit of welcome and reverence for the unique and blessed identity of

the women and men involved. Liturgy at St. Joseph—the music, the orders of worship, the selection and proclamation of readings, the composition of prayers, even the logistics of persons—always has as its goal what Vatican II calls “*the full conscious and active participation*” of the People of God. Sometimes that means a little bit of chaos around the baptismal font, or a special song in a funeral recessional, but it always means uniting the divine liturgy with the experience of real people, those to whom God has come in love through the grace of Jesus Christ.

This attention to detail combined with humanity goes beyond special liturgies, however, and is also part of every week’s celebration. And the result has been increasing numbers of people who worship at St. Joseph. Over the last years, attendance at Sunday Mass has grown every year, from an average of 863 people per weekend in 2012 to an average of 1077 in 2017 (excluding Christmas and Easter). In the current year (2018), the average has risen to 1113 people per weekend, including the summer season where, with just three Masses, we averaged 836 people—almost as many as were coming to the four Mass weekends of 2012. While, in the end, the effectiveness and vitality of our liturgical life cannot be measured simply by the numbers of people attending Mass, this progression suggests the power of liturgy—i.e., the ministry of musicians and singers, servers and lectors, Eucharistic minister and ushers, priests and deacons, lay preachers and congregants—to *unite us* and then *ignite us “to love and serve.”*

There is one further note I would like to add, before moving on from liturgy, and that has to do with the “liturgical consciousness” that is present at St. Joseph. The abiding richness of the daily Mass, celebrated in the Arrupe Room and attracting people even from beyond the Parish, as well as the number of calls for the Sacrament of Anointing received by both Fr. Julian and me, suggest a desire and expectation in the prayers of this community. People want to be recalled during Mass at St. Joseph; they want their friends and relatives anointed in hard times; they look to this community as a place that holds them and supports them in prayer: none of which can be captured in statistics, but all of which suggest a vital liturgical community, i.e. one alive in the Holy Spirit and possessed with a sense of the Spirit holding us together. This is a great gift of God for us, one nurtured and sustained by many members of our community.

## Faith Justice

Inseparably linked to the Catholic understanding of prayer—and to the Jesuit charism—is the work for justice. A living faith sends us from the altar into the world, and true liturgy breaks down the walls of the Church or Parish to unite us to all people. Just as Christ Jesus left the heavenly sanctuary to pitch his tent among us, so our prayer must be incarnated in our actions. At St. Joseph, this incar-

national principle has long been an essential dimension of all we do, and it has continued to develop and deepen in tandem with our growing liturgical life. In the last few years, long-standing programs and relationships—such as our nearly 30 year affiliation with Arcatao, El Salvador—have taken on new life and vigor, becoming central to the life of the whole Parish. No longer merely a tangential exchange of a few people, Arcatao informs our prayer and our sense of ourselves, as we support scholarships for students, send groups down to visit, and understand issues of immigration through the eyes of our friends. These 30 years give a poignancy and humanity to issues of detention and migration that might otherwise seem arcane. In a similar way, programs that the Parish helped to birth, such as Shirts Across America—which continues to rebuild New Orleans while forming young people as leaders—and WestSide Baby—which merged with St. Joseph Baby Corner and now extends service across the region—remind us of the people behind the headlines, and shows the power for good alive in our community. Today, we are partners with numerous organizations who depend upon us for human and material support, and through whom we come to know and love the poor, living the gospel with them in our own backyard. In the last few years, through our Faith Justice Commission, we have focused and deepened our partnerships with various organizations, allowing us to grow as companions, to educate ourselves about issues, and to advocate with our considerable voice for those in need.

The last year has also demonstrated the flexibility of our Faith Justice ministry, as we have read “*the signs of the times*” and have turned to better serve displaced and incarcerated persons. Working with the International Rescue Committee, we welcomed and helped transition the Saadawi family of Iraq, which then opened us to work in other refugee issues. We petitioned the government for separated families; hosted two immigration workshops; and with St. Leo Parish, the Ignatian Solidarity Network, and our companions in the Jesuits West Province, we celebrated Eucharist at the gates of the Tacoma Detention Center—remembering that those behind the wire, like us, are children of God and part of Christ’s Kingdom. At the same time, through the One Prisoner One Parish program of the Archdiocese, we reached out to a single prisoner, offering him a human face and hope for a future. We have begun study groups on racism, and members of our Parish have partnered with the Ignatian Spirituality Project to offer retreats for those on the streets. In all this, we have sought to transcend “*checkbook charity*” or that kind of service that leaves us apart; rather, we have sought the solidarity and accompaniment called for in the gospel.

## Faith Formation

The vitality of any faith community may be seen in the ways it passes on its treasures to succeeding generations,



and the seriousness with which the members of that community take ownership of their spiritual inheritance. At St. Joseph, Faith Formation is not just about handing down a lifeless artifact, it is about sharing with our children the Spirit that gives us life, and empowering those who already believe to make the Spirit their own.

In the last few years, our programs in Children's Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation have reached hundreds of children and young people, helping build a knowledgeable and spiritually alive community. Each year, our Sunday programs have grown stronger, reaching out to the youngest members of our community, and through the help of able volunteers, teaching our children both the content of their faith and how to think about what they believe. The success of our CFF program is also seen in our flourishing class on Confirmation. For many years was held only biennially because of small numbers, this program has become increasingly attractive to our youth, drawing them in on Sunday afternoons and preparing them to become fully active members of the Church. Similarly, the Voice—our faith formation group for teens—continues to invite young women and men to search out the implications of their faith, taking them to New Orleans to build homes with Shirts Across America or to Los Angeles where they learn about Home Boy Industries' answer to gangs, and explore the work of Jesuit Parish, Dolores Mission, in welcoming migrants to the United States. Meanwhile, our Junior High Program, Pathfinders, also has grown, with weekly gatherings that allow children to think about faith while having a good time. One significant change, as we end the previous year, comes with the departure of Dottie Farewell, who has left the staff of St. Joseph to become principal at St. Pius X grade school. For the last 15 years, Dottie did much to build the Faith Formation programs, especially for children, and her experience will be missed. Yet, she leaves the ground ready for the work of the new Director of Religious Education, Marie Pittman, and with the help of volunteers and others, we expect the momentum of the last few years to continue.

While the growth of CFF has been remarkable, the growth of Adult Faith Formation lagged behind, until the appointment of Theresa Lukasik as Director of Adult Faith Formation. Through Theresa, what had been sporadic offerings are becoming more systematic, allowing for greater participation and growth. With programs such as Catholicism 101, online Bible study, Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching, Understanding the Gospel of Mark, the Seamless Garment and Catholic Thought, Sacraments, etc., Adult Faith Formation has become a vital part of what St. Joseph offers; and with an increasing ability to make offerings available online, through live-casting and recording, this dimension of our ministry will likely grow significantly in the future. Already the e-blast reaches over 3400 people, and the newly begun

Sunday online homilies are proving popular. Now, plans are in place to broadcast Advent talks on the Gospel of Luke, as well as a series on the Church and our response to the challenges of leadership and lay empowerment. No longer able to trust in a cultural Catholicism, where all those raised in the faith know its traditions and teachings, we are, in some important ways, at the beginning of an era when the Parish may become the primary educator of adult Catholics, i.e., the place where women and men can take ownership of the deposit of faith entrusted to us all. In this moment, St. Joseph, with its Jesuit tradition and partnerships, seems particularly ready to play a role and perhaps set a model for others in the Church.

## Parish Life

A living Parish is fundamentally more than functions: it is a *community* gathered in joy and sorrow, in celebration and struggle. In this sense, as well, I believe St. Joseph—which has always had a strong community—continues to flourish, and even develop. In the generational communities of St. Joseph, in the multigenerational families who gather here regularly and hold St. Joseph as a part of their family tradition, and in the increasing number of ethnic and other communities forming in our midst, we find a vital community structure. We see it when the whole Parish gathers at the Parish-School Picnic or for the We Are St. Joseph Service and Celebration Days. We see it in the flourishing of our small communities: the Seniors who gather at luncheon after the Mass of Anointing on First Fridays, the MOMS who gather to support one another and gain perspective between Sunday Masses. We see it in the growing vibrancy of our Young Adults, gathered for board games in the Arrupe Room or for adult refreshments at the unofficial St. Joseph annex in the Canterbury. In all of these groups, who make up the body of the Parish, the Church lives as more than a series of functions—lives in our hearts and bones. Yet, at the same time, our Parish Life is not static, and in the last year, we have sought to ensure that all women and men feel welcome: whether rich or poor; black, brown, or white; gay or straight; immigrant or native born. Through outreach and conscious, intentional inclusion, St. Joseph has taken up the work of recognizing the cultural variety in our midst, rather than just celebrating the historical communities which have so long been here. This work of inclusion—which has far to go—remains an unfulfilled but necessary part of the coming years, if we are to remain and deepen as a community that models the living body of Christ.

## St. Joseph School

After the church itself, the first ministry ever taken up by those who founded St. Joseph was its School, and St. Joseph School continues to be the largest and the most complex ministry of the Parish. Though its structures



are largely autonomous of the Parish—i.e., separate accounts, hiring procedures, etc.—the School and Parish serve a common mission, and together serve the mission of the Church and the Society of Jesus. In the last few years, this commonality, which at times has drifted, has grown more intentional, and today School and Parish are profoundly united in everything from the service of immigrants and refugees to the deepening of Jesuit spirituality and identity. The Parish continues to be one of the largest benefactors of the School, and members of the Parish are encouraged and supported in attending. Though the interaction of two such complex organizations, with different rhythms and needs, is not always perfectly smooth, the personal connections at every level—directors and ministers, parents and children, boards and commissions—has strengthened mutuality and vision in both bodies.

## Administrative Structures

Finally, to assess the life of St. Joseph Parish, we must look not just at its ministries or even its community, but also at the practical infrastructure of our ministry: i.e., buildings and grounds, finances, etc. Although you will see many details regarding these areas in the following pages, I would note a few key features. First, by the end of November, we shall have completed the painting of the church and the necessary repairs to windows and roofs. In the course of this work, we were able to repair or replace all the broken or mis-matched windows in the church, while staying within budget—though other issues arose which may cause us to seek some supplemental funds. These repairs were our generational responsibility, though they also revealed issues that may require further work in ten or fifteen years. Which leads to my second point: saving for the future. In the past, parishes were dissuaded from setting up funds for long-term maintenance, with leaders holding that capital campaigns encouraged direct responsibility. Yet, it is clear that such a policy also encourages defraying maintenance, to the detriment of the buildings entrusted to us. Thus, our current repairs have reinforced for me the desire to enhance our designated funds to maintain our buildings into the future. This means encouraging designated gifts for this area and forming policies with the Finance Council to better preserve endowments as we move forward. I believe, at this time, we are fortunate to have an administrative and development team in place who can help us to be better prepared and better organized for the needs to come.

The last thing I would mention, as regards administrative structures in the Parish, refers not to the staff or to the buildings, but to the community itself. As noted before, **St. Joseph has grown every year since 2012**—and, indeed, perhaps before then, as well. In this growth, greater pressure has been put on our resources through

increased programs and necessary staffing. These are good problems to have, since they indicate vitality. **Unfortunately, our fund-raising has not been commensurate with our increased numbers**, and that can be perilous. **Today only 55% of registered members support Stewardship at St. Joseph**—at any level. In the coming years, we must raise that number if we are, together, to continue to offer to one another and to those who will come the same level of service and ministry that we do now.

## In Conclusion

When I first came to St. Joseph Parish, I used the metaphor of a “base camp” to describe our work: here we provide oxygen and nourishment, rope and tackle, maps and history, support and rest for those who need it. Today, in a time when Church and civil society seem wounded and wanting, St. Joseph does not have all the answers, but we are still here, together, to support one another, the People of God, the women and men who climb the mountain and live the gospel in the world every day. Though we who minister for this Parish are still God’s “least instruments,” the State of St. Joseph is strong, because “the author of all good”—living in the heart of this community—continues to bless us and this world with loving grace and living mercy.

In the blessing of the One who loved us first,



John D. Whitney, S.J.  
Pastor

*P.S.*

*To quote the African proverb: without you there can be no us. If you are attracted to St. Joseph, and especially if you consider it “your church,” we need you to become a full and active member of this community, and to commit yourself to these three steps (some of which you may already have accomplished):*

**1. ACTIVATE:** *If you have never done so, please register officially as a member of St. Joseph, either online or by dropping a written form into the collection basket or by the office. This need only be done once;*

**2. AFFIRM:** ***Each year**, please send in a pledge card, telling us that you choose to be a part of this community, giving whatever you can—prayer, especially, and financial support, if you are able;*

**3. PARTICIPATE:** *Everything at St. Joseph depends on those who share its life, in whatever way you can: come to Mass, serve in a ministry, sustain the poor, learn the faith—proclaim the Gospel in companionship with all of us. We are on a good road, but you will make it better.*

# TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

## Entrance Songs

*(5&11) Christ Be Our Light*

*Farrell*

Verses



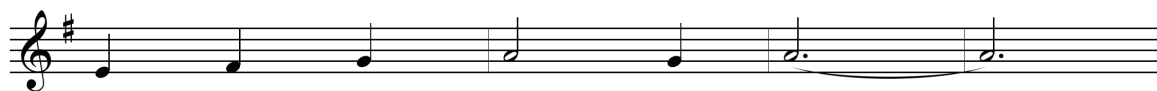
1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark - ness.  
2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou - bled.  
3. Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry.  
4. Man - y the gifts, — man - y the peo - ple,



Long - ing for truth, we turn to you.  
Long - ing for hope, man - y de - spair.  
Long - ing for wa - ter, man - y still thirst.  
Man - y the hearts that yearn to be - long.



Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,  
Your word a - lone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your bread, bro - ken for oth - ers,  
Let us be ser - vants to one a - no - ther



Light for the world to see.  
Make us your liv - ing voice.  
Shared un - til all are fed.  
mak - ing your King - dom come!

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.

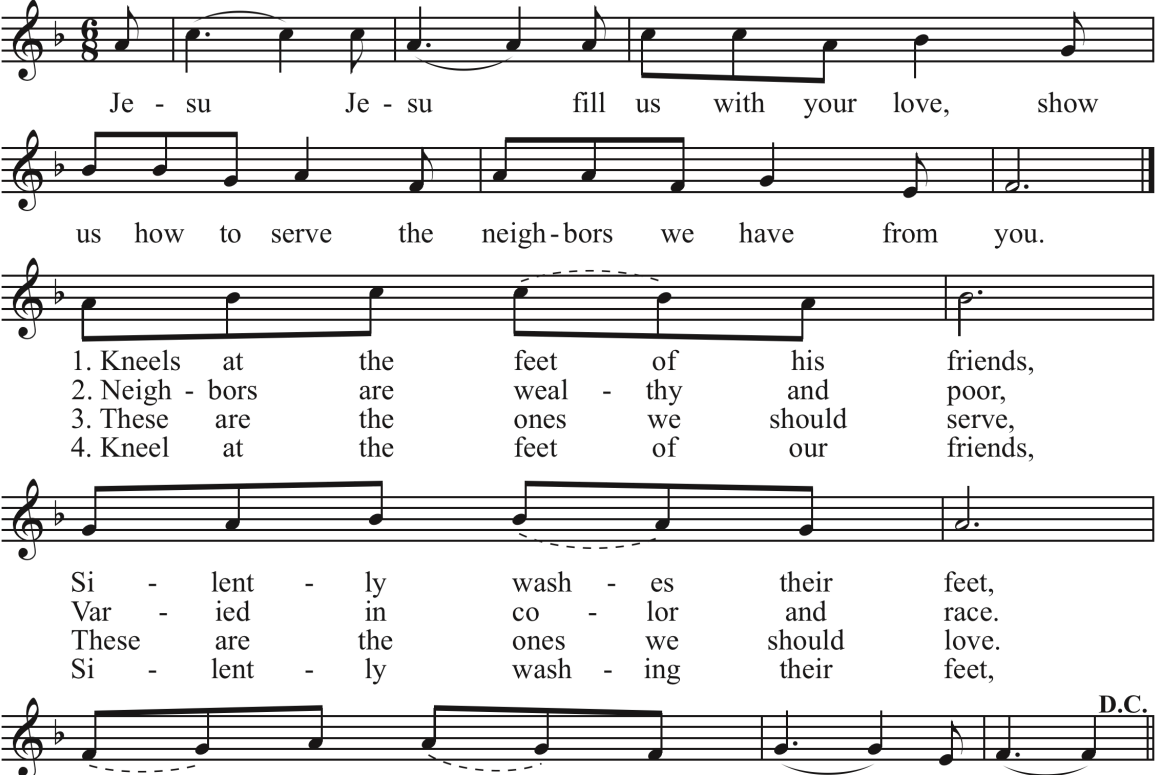


Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church gath-ered to - day.



(9) *Jesu Jesu*

Ghana



Je - su Je - su fill us with your love, show  
us how to serve the neigh - bors we have from you.  
1. Kneels at the feet of his friends,  
2. Neigh - bors are weal - thy and poor,  
3. These are the ones we should serve,  
4. Kneel at the feet of our friends,  
Si - lent - ly wash - es their feet,  
Var - ied in co - lor and race.  
These are the ones we should love.  
Si - lent - ly wash - ing their feet,  
Mas - ter who pours out him - self for them.  
Neigh - bors are near - by and far a - way.  
All these are neigh - bors to us and you.  
This is the way we should live with you. D.C.

(5:30) *Servant Song*

Gillard



1., 6. Will you let me be your ser - vant, Let me be as  
2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, We are trav - 'lers  
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you In the night - time  
4. I will weep when you are weep - ing; When you laugh I'll  
5. When we sing to God in heav - en We shall find such  
Christ to you; Pray that I may have the grace to  
on the road; We are here to help each oth - er  
of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,  
laugh with you. I will share your joy and sor - row  
har - mo - ny, Born of all we've known to - geth - er  
Let you be my ser - vant, too.  
Walk the mile and bear the load.  
Speak the peace you long to hear.  
'Til we've seen this jour - ney through.  
Of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.



## First Reading

Isaiah 53:10-11

The LORD was pleased  
to crush him in infirmity.

If he gives his life as an offering for sin,  
he shall see his descendants in a long life,  
and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him.

Because of his affliction  
he shall see the light in fullness of days;  
through his suffering, my servant shall justify many,  
and their guilt he shall bear.

## Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 33 Let Your Mercy Be On Us*

*Haugen*



Let your mer-cy be on us, O God, as we place our trust in you.

Your words, O God, are truth indeed, and all your works are ever faithful;  
you love justice and right, your compassion fills all creation. *Ref.*

See how the eye of God is watching, ever guarding all who wait in hope,  
To deliver them from death and sustain them in time of famine. *Ref.*

Our soul is waiting for God, for God is our help and our shield.  
May your kindness, O God, be upon us who place are hope in you. *Ref.*

*(9) Psalm 33 Lord, Be With Us*

*Walker*



Lord, be with us, with your love, be with us, all our hope is in you.

For your faithful word and all that you do, for your love we trust in you. *Ref.*

We are chosen, God, by you. Bless us God, we trust n you. *Ref.*

## Second Reading

Hebrews 4:14-16

Brothers and sisters: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.

## Gospel Acclamation

*Syrian Hallelujah*

*Traditional*

Cantor:

All:



Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah.

Cantor:



Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, —

All:



Ha - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, ha - le - lu - jah.

*The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.*

## Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

## Homily

John D. Whitney, S.J.

## Offertory

*We Are Many Parts*

*Haugen*

We are man-y parts, we are all one bod-y, and the gifts we have  
we are giv-en to share. May the Spir-it of love make us one in -  
deed; one, the love that we share, one, our hope in de -  
spair, one, the cross that we bear.

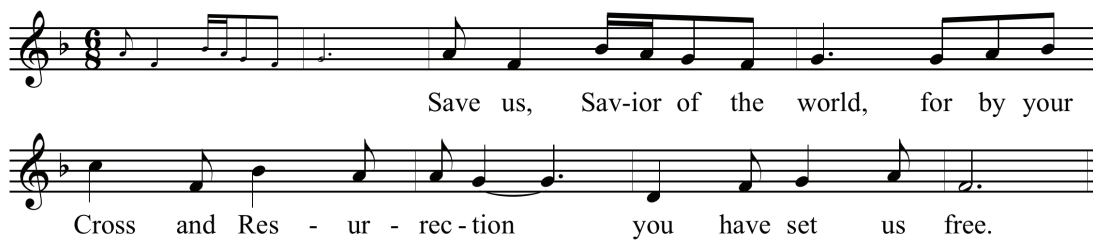
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*Storrington Mass*

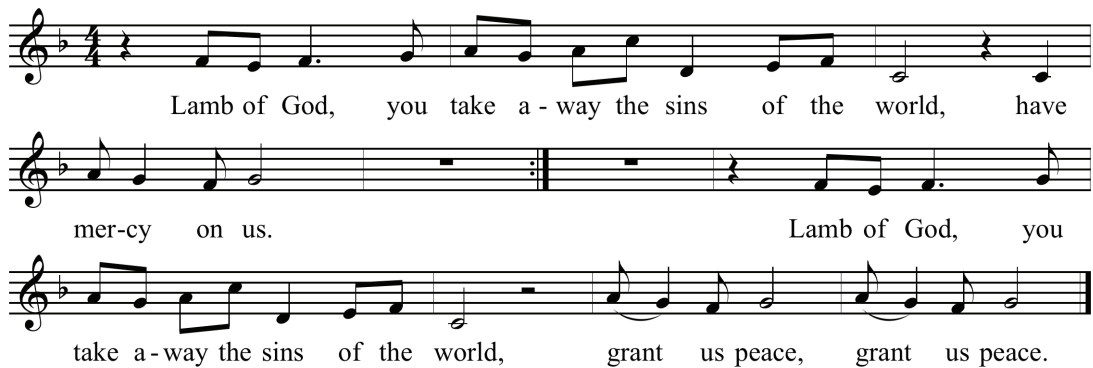
*Haugen*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly  
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, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Mystery of Faith



## 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.*

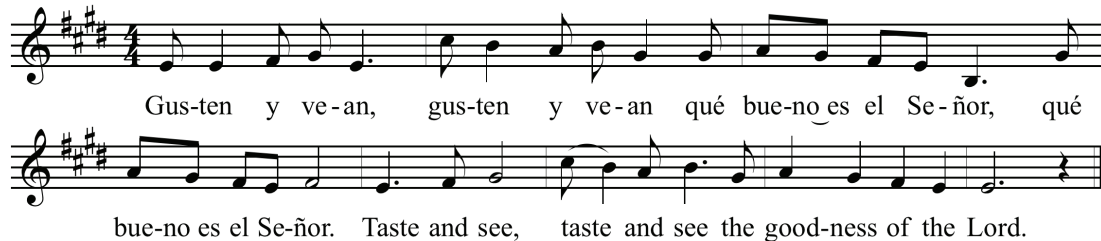
**IF YOU HAVE A GLUTEN ALLERGY, & NEED A GLUTEN FREE HOST, PLEASE COME TO THE PRESIDER & INDICATE THIS.**

## Communion Song

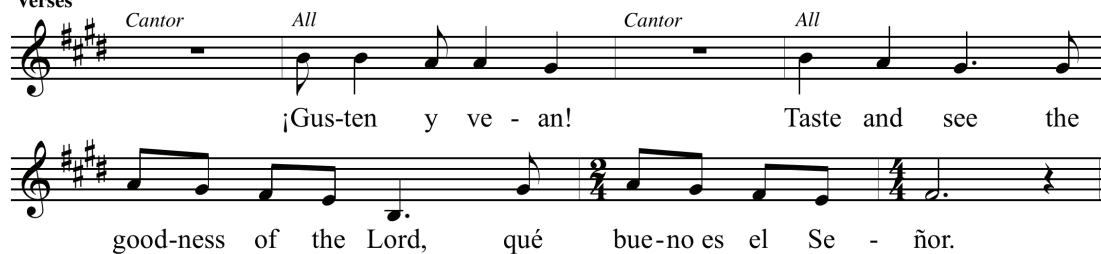
*Gusten Y Ve-an/Taste and See*

*Alonso*

Refrain

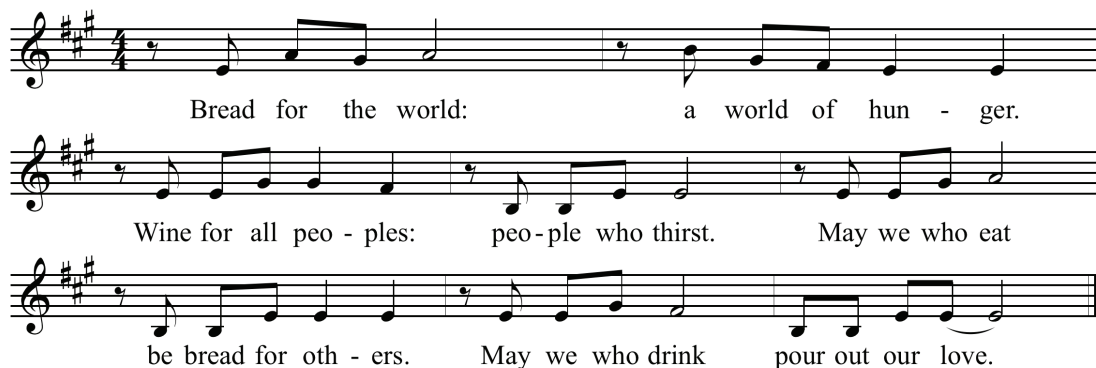


Verses



## Bread For the World

*Farrell*





## Song of Praise

(5&11) *The Spirit Sends Us Forth*

AZMON/Dufner OSB



1. The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; We  
2. We go to com - fort those who mourn And  
3. We go to be the hands of Christ, To  
4. Then let us go to serve in peace, The



go in Je - sus' name To bring glad tid - ings  
set the bur - dened free; Where hope is dim, to  
scat - ter joy like seed And, all our days, to  
gos - pel to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.  
share a dream And help the blind to see.  
cher - ish life, To do the lov - ing deed.  
pow - ered us; We go in Je - sus' name.

## Recessional

(9) *Hamba Nathi/Come Walk With Us*

South African



Come walk with us the jour - ney is long, Come



— walk with us the jour - ney is long. Come — walk with us the



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## (5:30) You Have Anointed Me

Daigle/Balhoff

To bring glad tidings to the lowly, to heal the broken heart, you have anointed me.

To proclaim liberty to captives, release to prisoners, you have anointed me. *Ref*



To announce a year of favor, to comfort those who mourn, you have anointed me.

To give to them the oil of gladness, and share a mantle of joy, you have anointed me. *Ref*

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*"The mission of the Christian in the world is a mission for all, a mission of service, which excludes no-one; it requires great generosity and in particular the gaze and heart turned heavenward to invoke the Lord's help. There is so much need for Christians who bear witness to the Gospel with joy in everyday life. The disciples, sent by Jesus, 'returned with joy'. When we do this, our heart fills with joy."*

*~Pope Francis*



## 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 RCIA

### Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass

### Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

### Friday

7:00 AM Mass

### Saturday

3:30 PM Reconciliation  
5:00 PM Mass



## ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

### Your Gifts & Their Use: The Financials of St. Joseph

I am pleased to present our financials for the fiscal year 2017-2018. It was quite a year!

During the past year, we:

- Audited all accounts to ensure Archdiocese accounting principles are adhered to
- Resolved cash flow challenges
- Updated our Mass gift counting procedures
- Implemented Financial Operations Review Procedures
- Accepted a \$161,000 gift from the School as a donation to the Paint the Church Campaign, retiring the final piece of the \$1.2 million loan taken out during the Centennial Capital campaign
- Added new members to our parish Finance Council and held regular meetings
- Worked on the Paint the Church Restoration project
- Addressed the budget shortfall through the generosity of this community
- Worked with staff to scrutinize expenses and prepare 2018-19 budget
- Paid off \$34,016.39 of 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal debt

You will notice a change in the way we are presenting our expenses to you. We wanted to better reflect how much our programs cost. Please note, because we paid off over \$34,000 in debt to the ACA, we ended the year at a loss of \$14,478.

Our attendance numbers have grown amazingly and the ways in which we respond to the needs of our faith community has also grown. However, despite our increase in numbers and expenses, our stewardship commitments have not risen at the same pace. Last year 55% of our registered households gave to parish stewardship.

Our financial reality is that our current stewardship level does not cover all of our operating expenses. In past years, we've been blessed with bequests that have helped us pay the bills, but it is not fiscally responsible to continue to rely upon bequests as a repeatable source of income. In the coming year, we need to raise an additional \$200,000 in stewardship, which translates to each and every parishioner prayerfully considering a 10% increase in their stewardship donation. And to those parishioners who don't donate because it "*appears*" we don't need your gifts, I can assure you--as someone who knows our financials intimately-- that we **DO** need your gifts. Every person who participates in the beautiful work of our community, needs to claim their place at the table. We are St. Joseph!

We remain grateful to our community for our continued support of those who look to us for help! We have been able to generously give to: Chief Seattle Club, L'Arche, the Association of Catholic Schools, Recovery Café, West-side Baby, the International Rescue Committee, Fulcrum Foundation, St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic Community Services, Catholic Relief Services, Rice Bowl, St. Martin de Porres, St. Mary's Food Bank, Seattle Nativity School, Noel House, Jesuit Refugee Services and Shirts Across America.

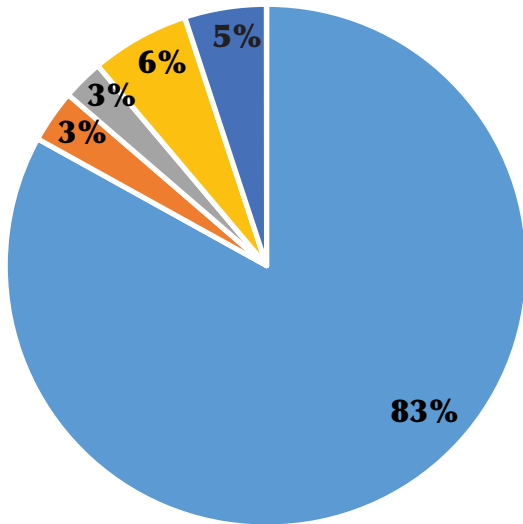
I am grateful for your warm welcome as I returned to our community and am truly delighted to serve here again. As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to me for any reason whatsoever.

With warmest regards,

Marti McGaughey  
Pastoral Assistant for Administration



## PARISH REVENUE



- Sunday Collections & Stewardship Gifts
- Remembrances, Devotions & Targeted Fundraisers
- Net Restricted Donations
- Business Revenue
- Program Revenue

Sunday Collections & Stewardship Gifts	\$1,651,551
Remembrances, Devotions & Targeted Fundraisers	64,989
Net Restricted Donations	50,000
Business Revenue - facility rental, interest, admin fees, etc.	121,254
Program Revenue - Adult & Children's Faith Formation	100,805
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$1,988,599</b>

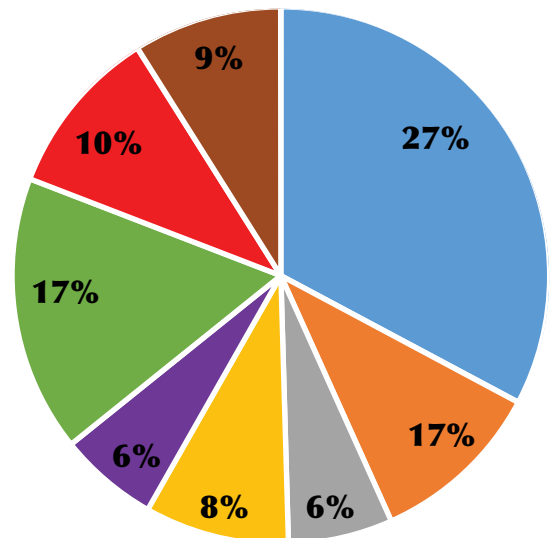
### Behind The Numbers...

Beyond the abstractions of these numbers are hundreds of parishioners: donors & volunteers, parents & singles, young families & generational supporters, who create & enliven St. Joseph every day. We are grateful for every person who loves & serves our community.

## THE REVENUE & EXPENSES OF ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Administration	\$534,412
Liturgy & Worship Programs	336,255
Parish Life Programs	123,032
Faith Formation Programs	172,818
Faith Justice Programs	119,805
Buildings & Grounds	333,303
School Support	204,000
Archdiocesan Assessment	179,447
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,003,078</b>

## PARISH EXPENSE



- Administration
- Liturgy & Worship Programs
- Parish Life Programs
- Faith Formation Programs
- Faith Justice Programs
- Buildings & Grounds
- School Support
- Archdiocesan Assessment

# St. Joseph

## Facts at a Glance 2017-2018

St. Joseph was dedicated to Christ  
the King on October 26, 1930

Did you know, St. Joseph has had 19 pastors?  
Our first was Alexander M. Dionedi, S.J.

St. Joseph received Seattle Landmark  
status on March 19, 1980

St. Joseph is so much more than these numbers.  
It is the people within our community who  
collectively breathe life into this data.

Did you know, our organ has 1,820 pipes and was shipped  
from London and installed at St. Joseph in 1981?

Did you know, the ceiling in the  
church is made of horsehair?

Did you know, the large Rose window  
was shipped from Germany  
in a vat of molasses?

Did you know our bells  
have names?

George  
(for George Hofbauer)  
Katie  
for (Katie McKay)  
Mary  
St. Joseph

225 ft  
Tower height

96  
Zip Codes  
In the Parish

80,985  
Hosts given during  
Communion

3,806  
Receiving Weekly  
E-Blast

91  
Baptisms

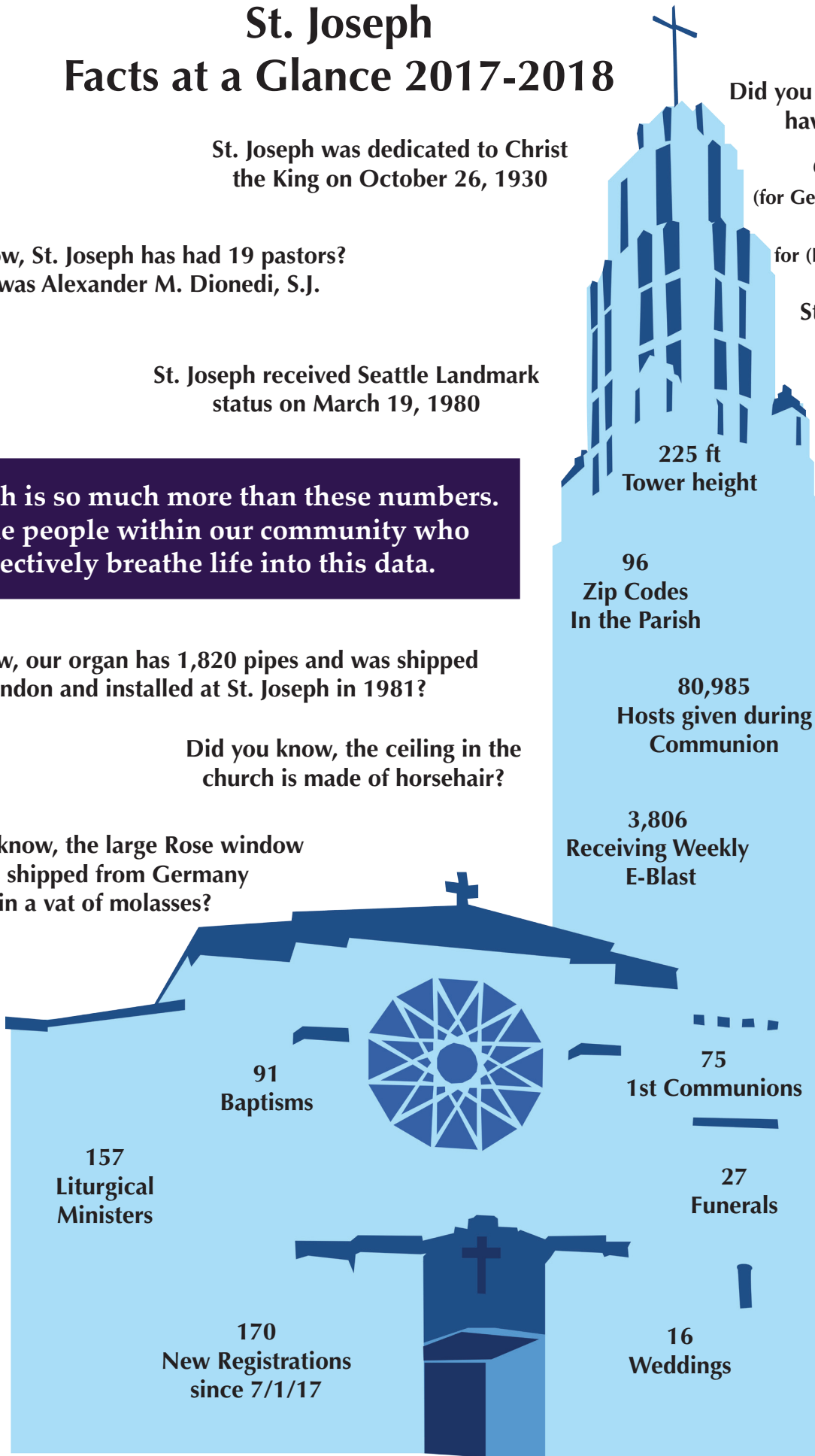
75  
1st Communions

157  
Liturgical  
Ministers

27  
Funerals

170  
New Registrations  
since 7/1/17

16  
Weddings





# PARISH LIFE

## Seniors On The Go

**Friday, November 2nd** - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am. Followed by a delicious luncheon in the Parish Center. *Please feel free to park in the lot behind the church and take the elevator.*

**Wednesday, November 7th** - 10:00am – 4:00pm. Trip to Snoqualmie Casino and Outlet Mall in North Bend. We'll have lunch at the Casino (\$10.95) all you can eat buffet and you can either stay and play at the casino or ride over to the Outlet Mall to do some shopping! Contact Renee at 206-324-2522 or rleet@stjosephparish.org for a seat on the bus.

**Friday, December 7th** - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am. Followed by a delicious luncheon in the Parish Center. *Please feel free to park in the lot behind the church and take the elevator.*

**Tuesday, December 11th** - Join us for our annual Seniors Christmas Potluck Party from 5-8 pm in the Arrupe Room.

**Thursday, December 13th** - Join us for our annual outing to Molbak's, Flower World and the Maltby Café. We will hop on the parish mini-bus (which seats up 14) around 10:00 am and return around 3:30 pm. Reserve your seat by emailing Renee at rleet@stjosephparish.org or by calling 206-324- 2522, Ext 100.



## St. Joseph Alternative Bazaar Looking for Non-Profit Vendors

Each year St. Joseph's Church hosts an Alternative Christmas Bazaar to support local and global non-profits. The date is Sunday November 18th 10am – 1pm in the Parish Social Hall. If you know of an organization that might benefit by participating, please have them contact Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at 206-965-1646 or steve@stjosephparish.org

## Women's Ministry Coffee Connect



Join us Saturday, October 20th from 11am to 12 pm at Vios Cafe on 19th Ave E. and Aloha. Come sip and socialize, bring a friend! Any questions please contact Sheila Marie 206 251 7035 or smarie49@comcast.net

## Young Adult Ministry

It's Pumpkin Time! Join us on Sunday, October 28th in the Parish Center after the 5:30 p.m. Mass for fall inspired fellowship!

Carve a pumpkin, decorate Halloween cookies, or just enjoy the company with seasonal beers & treats. Carving Masters: feel free to bring your own pumpkin if you have a favorite shape or size; we will have some pumpkins on hand for people to team up on if desired as well as basic carving tools. \$20.00 suggested donation for Pizza, Salad and Beverages. RSVP's appreciated youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

## St. Joseph School Employment Opportunity



St. Joseph school is looking for a new Business Manager. Job details and instructions to apply can be found on their website [www.stjosephsea.org](http://www.stjosephsea.org) under the "employment" tab.

# FAITH JUSTICE

## IPJC

*Building the Beloved Community: Racism & Beyond*

Saturday, November 10, 8:45 am-3 pm  
St. Joseph Parish, 732 18th Ave E, Seattle  
Presented by Patricia Chappell, SNDdeN & Anne Louise Nadeau, SNDdeN

Many people of faith are concerned about racism in America today. Where do we start? What can we do? What is "white privilege" and its role in society today? Join us to learn what you can do!

Register online by Nov. 2 at [www.ipjc.org/belovedcommunity](http://www.ipjc.org/belovedcommunity) or call 206.223.1138. Donation \$25 includes lunch. Sponsored by Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center [ipjc@ipjc.org](mailto:ipjc@ipjc.org)



# St. Joseph Parish

# Alternative Bazaar

*Sunday, November 18th*



**10 AM - 1 PM**

*732 18th Ave E - In the Social Hall*



This year St. Joseph's Parish Alternative Bazaar will have beautiful handcrafted items from dozens of countries, and organizations around the world in order to support disadvantaged artisans overseas and in the US.

The artisans and vendors are Fair Trade Certified, or a non-profit whose sales 100% support the organization.



Come and support our non-profit outreach partners such as: L'Arche, Chief Seattle Club, Association of Catholic Childhood, Jubilee Women's Center, Ten Thousand Villages and many more!

For More Information: Steve Wodzanowski, 206-965-1646 or [stevev@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevev@stjosephparish.org)

# LITURGY AND WORSHIP



**St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes**

**Prayer  
Tree**



for the following intentions: For families who are in need of support, may our hearts be filled with compassion. For a young man recovering from an appendectomy and a women to heal quickly from Lymph node surgery. Congratulations to Henry and Virginia on their 50th wedding anniversary. For Father Richard Basso may he rest in peace. And may we fill our days with prayer and trust in the Lords care.

***Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.***

***~ Ephesians 6:18***

## Trick Or Treat For Jesuits

Each year thousands, yes thousands of witches, wizards and some saints visit the Jesuit house on Halloween night.

Help us feed these hungry souls by dropping off a bag or two of candy at the Parish Center on weekdays.  
Thank you!



## Autumn Liturgical Minister Signups

Autumn is a great time to consider how you wish to contribute your time and talent to St. Joseph Parish. One of the primary ways you can do this is to serve as a liturgical minister at our community prayer on weekends. In fact the meaning of the word "Liturgy" is, in the original Greek, something akin to "Work of the People." This is indeed something we do together and it takes many hands and the contributions of many community members to make the liturgy "work" and to help all of us celebrate with a vibrant voice and a lively faith.

School age children can serve as Altar Servers or sing in Joyful Voices, the St. Joseph children's choir. Youth of junior high age or older can serve as lectors alongside adults. Youth who have been confirmed can join the adults and serve as Eucharistic Ministers. There is a particular need for more ushers and this is open to adults and youth of high school age or older. And the choir is open to all who love to sing and who can carry a tune, high school age or older. And we are currently particularly in need of male singers.

***You can sign up for all of these ministries at [www.stjosephparish.org](http://www.stjosephparish.org) and a ministry leader will be in contact with you to talk with you about the particulars of each ministry.***

## Resources For Jesuit Prayer

**[www.jesuitprayer.org](http://www.jesuitprayer.org)** - Jesuit Prayer is a collaborative online ministry of Jesuits Midwest and Jesuits West. May this prayer site anchor your day and strengthen your resolve to remember what truly matters.

**[www.sacredspace.ie](http://www.sacredspace.ie)** - Sacred Space began in 1999 and has offered new content every day since then. This prayer site is a joint apostolate of the Irish Jesuits and Loyola Press.

**[www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer](http://www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer)** - Focus on what is truly important through a daily prayer experience with Scripture, music, and images, offered by Loyola Press.

**[www.prayerwindows.com](http://www.prayerwindows.com)** - This site presents an internet gallery that uses paintings to display a way to pray in a creative manner. The artist, Bob Gilroy, S.J., uses creativity to express feelings and communicate with God. Directions are provided so viewers can learn how to see God reflected in their own lives through the arts.

## Come Pray With Us!

### Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer on **Monday, October 22nd, 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.



# FAITH FORMATION

## Help Needed

Pathfinders is our Jr. High Youth Group. We need a vibrant team of young adults or adults who seek to mentor our youth. We currently have 2 team members and we would like at least 3 more members. Our youth group meets on Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:30 PM. Our mission is to help our youth grow in their faith through community. Pathfinders starts November 7th. Contact [Mariep@stjosephparish.org](mailto:Mariep@stjosephparish.org) for more information.



## Pathfinders

Pathfinders, St. Joseph's Middle School Youth Group will be starting **Wednesday, November 7th** from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Come join us for food, fun, friendship and faith sharing. Please register online. For more information contact our new DRE, Marie Pitman

at [mariep@stjosephparish.org](mailto:mariep@stjosephparish.org)

## The VOICE



The VOICE, St. Joseph's High School Youth Ministry will be starting **Wednesday, November 7th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM**. Come join us for fun, friendship, faith sharing and welcome our new High School Youth Minister, Emiliy Hayes.

The VOICE engages participants through weekly activities, ranging from discussions, games, and field trips. The VOICE seeks to create an open space in which students can come as they are, bringing their questions, their struggles and their excitement, without meeting any expectations or judgments. This community recognizes that high school students are all in different places with respect to their faith and spirituality and hopes to provide a safe and fun space in which to grow.

In addition, the VOICE also provides community service and social justice opportunities – both through local volunteering and more global solidarity with the youth in our sister parish in Arcatao, El Salvador. The VOICE also has developed a partnership with Shirts Across America, to help rebuild homes for displaced families in New Orleans.

For more information please contact [theresaL@stjosephparish.org](mailto:theresaL@stjosephparish.org)

## CFF Needs You!

Faith Formation could use your help. It takes many hands and hearts to help the children preparing for First Communion. If you are able to help on Sunday mornings or during the week in the Office, please contact Marie Pitman.

## Online Bible Study

Did you know that St. Joseph has an Online Bible Study with reflections written by parishioners? If you don't already follow us, sign up. This is a 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 deepen your prayer life through their reflections. <https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.wordpress.com>

*If you are interested in being one of our writers, please email [theresaL@stjosephparish.org](mailto:theresaL@stjosephparish.org)*

## Sponsors Needed For RCIA

We are in need of 5-7 adults who can be a faith companion to someone going through the RCIA process to join the Catholic Faith. The St. Joseph Community promises prayerful support for, and to walk with, each prospective new member of the Catholic Church. The role of RCIA sponsor is the fulfillment of that promise. As a sponsor you are assigned a Confirmandi (Baptized Catholic adult), Candidate (Baptized adult), or Catechumen (Unbaptized adult) whose continuing faith journey you will share. Being a Sponsor is like being a trusted friend. You share what you can about your own faith journey. You offer counsel and support as you are able and to the extent that it is needed or desired. You serve as a bridge to the larger St. Joseph community. You listen and you pray. Each relationship between a Sponsor and a Candidate or Catechumen is unique. As a Sponsor, you walk with a Candidate or Catechumen through a formation process that culminates with initiation into the Church. Many prospective Sponsors ask themselves whether they are worthy or qualified. The role of Sponsor is not that of Catechist. You are not expected to know every aspect of the Church's teaching, but rather simply to be a guide, an example of a Catholic living your faith as best as you can. If interested, please contact Deacon Steve at [stevev@stjosephparish.org](mailto:stevev@stjosephparish.org) or 206-965-1646.