

St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

















I will gather them from the ends of the world, with the blind and the lame in their midst, the mothers and those with child; they shall return as an immense throng.

They departed in tears, but I will console them and guide them









































THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 28, 2018

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

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

Readings for November 4, 2018

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6 Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28 Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

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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The Story of the Saints

By his own blood the Lord redeemed us, and gave his life for our life, his flesh for our flesh; and he poured out the Spirit of the Father to bring about the union and communion of God and humanity, bringing down God to humanity while raising humanity to God through his Incarnation, and by his presence, surely and truly giving us incorruption through the communion which we have with God.

-Irenaeus of Lyon-

A few months ago, while flying back from visiting my brother, I opened up the in-flight magazine and found this wonderful advertisement: "learn the great works of western literature in only a few short weeks!" Having obviously wasted years of my life by earning a degree in English Literature, I was fascinated by this promise, and read on with great interest. The advertisement assured me that I could understand everything about Anna Karenina, or Ulysses, or The Odyssey, or Shakespeare in just a few weeks, without all the bother and fuss of actually reading the texts. Instead, the company would provide efficient and complete plot summaries, which would allow anyone to appear as a literate and enlightened person. With these notes—electronic and audio versions were also available— one could benefit socially, and even economically, since knowing the great works of the Western canon would impress both friends and clients, and win the esteem that draws in customers. As I read this advertisement, I remembered that when I was a student-somewhere after Aristotle and before Lady Gaga—the one mortal sin you could commit was to be caught using Cliff Notes; but here was something better: Cliff Notes for life!

Walker Percy, the great Catholic novelist and cultural observer, once noted that we live in "an age of theory and consumption," an age in which "truth" comes only when we subordinate the uniqueness of a particular thing to its "point." After all, who has time to dig through all the details and idiosyncrasies of a story? Instead, what we need is to get rid of all the messy particulars that clutter our thinking, to sift through all the character development and artistic flourishes that just distract us from the meaning of the work, i.e., the ideas that really matter. Once we get those, then everything can run more efficiently. Thus, it is not as important actually to read The Brothers Karamazov, as it is to "know what it means," i.e., to be able to sum it up and make use of it in a way that increases our marketability and the chances we have to monetize our education. Surely, we may want to know a few details—e.g., the name of the protagonist or the way the story ends—but these bits and pieces are more or less decorations that establish credibility, and their importance is in their utility and in the meaning they help convey. Education—like life itself—is a product to be consumed, and we, as consumers of education—and life—need to avoid being bogged down in minutiae, in those particulars that just hinder us from the true "point": i.e., the ideas or insights that help us to get what we want.

While we may not fall prey to the adult *Cliff Notes* sold in the back of an airline magazine, we can still fall prey, too easily I think, to a *Cliff Notes* mentality in our approach to the world. Bombarded by information and opinion, we find it too daunting to sift and consider all that comes to us, to engage and discern the particulars of life—except, perhaps, in the case of those few who are closest to us. Just as we see the truth of literature not in the literature itself, but in some underlying meaning—in the theoretical or the practical "truth" for which the stories are just a vehicle—we can reduce whole communities of individuals simply to ideas, looking at what their life means for us, not what their life is in

itself. While such reductionism is unfortunate in the case of great literature, it is tragic in the case of human beings. For when we no longer consider the complex reality of each life, no longer care to know the unique and particular story of others, no longer see each woman and man as a gracious and unique mystery, we dehumanize those women and men, making them mere information points in our political or social theory. And then, having collapsed the life of another into a unit of our ideology, we are able to sweep that person away, consuming her or him into a stereotype, a formula that we can make use of for our own purposes.

But what if deepest truths of our life are not collapsible into a theory or reducible to a series of even the best of propositions? What if our salvation is consumable within an ideology, to be discovered hidden somewhere behind the stories that make up our lives, but is in the very narrative itself? What if the life of every human being is not a mask that hides some deeper, consumable truth—which we might call the point of our lives? What if the living itself is the point?

The great genius of Christianity—and its great scandal—is that in a particular human life, God became flesh. In a particular human community, God was born, made friends, wandered about, spoke, laughed, cried, slept, and ultimately died. And this living and dying—this human experience—was not a mere tool for the efficient communication of a message, not a means to some deeper truth; rather, this living and dying and rising again was the message. What Christianity asserts is what every novelist knows: that you cannot grasp the meaning of a narrative—whether it is *Silas Marner* or the *Gospel of Matthew*—simply by getting its point, simply by reducing it to the ideas which you find useful. For the truth is not in the ideas alone, but in the rough and tumble of the experience—in the flesh and blood, the tears and laughter that make up the deepest of human truths.

This is what the Feast of All Saints calls us to remember. It is what the Church celebrates this week: not the wonderful philosophy of Christianity, not the ideology of goodness nor the moral principles of the gospel, but those frail and all-too human women and men, who fell in love not with an idea, but with Jesus Christ. In this feast, we celebrate not simply that humanity is redeemed by the action of some ineffable One, some nameless Force, but that we—you and I, our particular sisters and brothers, that woman talking to her dog on the street, that guy selling Real Change in front of QFC, that mother carrying her son in the heat across the Honduran border—all of us are more than data points in a theory, more than avatars in some divine game. Rather, through the Incarnation of God in Jesus, we are, each in our own way, those who have been invited and empowered to look in the face of God, a God who already has a face turned towards us in love. We celebrate in the saints, not a theory that is true, but a truth that outstrips every theory, every attempt to squeeze human life into some prefigured mold. The Incarnation upends ideology, and asserts that the fullness of truth unfolds in the mysteriously irreducible stories that compose our lives.

The grace of the Incarnation, of the particular life taken on by God in Christ offers a caveat to all the theories and ideologies

we encounter in our world—theories and ideologies we have sometimes turned into idols for our worship, sacrificing to them the lives or dignity of our own brothers and sisters. All Saints Day reminds us that nothing is known, nothing is true, until it is lived, until it takes flesh in the world. For just as the love of God becomes true not by a theological proof, but in the flesh and blood of Jesus, so too, the resurrection of Jesus and the descent of the Holy Spirit become real in the lives of women and men who love as Jesus loved, who serve in the power of the Spirit.

In his first letter to the Church, St. John writes, "We are already the children of God, but what we are to be in the future has not been revealed, all we know is that, when it is revealed, we shall be like God" (1Jn 3:2). Here the Evangelist calls us to receive the truth that he has experienced in his own life: i.e., that no philosophy nor theology, no science nor technology, no political ideology nor sociological theory can suffice to explain to us what it is to be children of God. No teaching explains it, no learning can give us the point of it: only the life and death and resurrection of a particular person—the God made flesh—can allow us to makes sense of our lives. Only when we enter into the narrative of the Incarnation can we discover—in the messy and inefficient completeness of love—the mystery of ourselves, the mystery of others, the mystery of God. The truth of our lives, the truth of our salvation, comes in breaking the addiction of theory and consumption, comes in living a mystery, amid a community of life. Truth, the living Truth, comes not in ideas but in persons, not in formulas but in the fullness of our stories.

So, let us rejoice that not just the *point* of our lives—not just the plot summary—is redeemed and made meaningful in Christ Jesus. Rejoice that everything we are and everything we do is meant to be in the presence of God. Let us rejoice that God seeks not solution to a problem, but a community of saints: diverse and yet united at the table of life, the feast of the lamb. And when we hear the proclamation of the gospel, let us not hear the philosophical propositions of Christ nor the principles of his ethics, but hear instead the beginning of so many narratives:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, *like Francis and Clare;* Blessed are they who mourn, *like the mothers of Syria and orphans of El Salvador;*

Blessed are the meek, like Damien among the lepers; Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, like Martin King in a Birmingham jail;

Blessed are the merciful, *like Isaac Jogues among the Iroquois;*

Blessed are the clean of heart, like Thèrése, at prayer for the Church;

Blessed are the peacemakers, like Dietrich Bonhoeffer awaiting execution in his jail cell;

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, *like Oscar Romero and Rutillo Grande;*Blessed are we, when our story is one among the many that are shared, standing together in the presence of our God.

John of

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

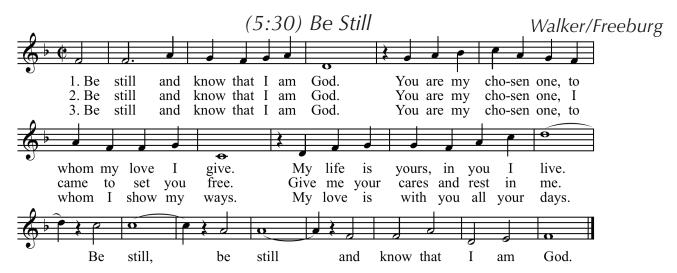
Preludes

(5) Gonzaga Choir: How Can I Keep From Singing (9) Choral: Non Nobis Domine

Non nobis, Domine, non nobis, sed nomini tuo da gloriam "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but to thy name give the glory"

Lowry Byrd





First Reading

Thus says the LORD:

Shout with joy for Jacob,

exult at the head of the nations; proclaim your praise and say:

The LORD has delivered his people, the remnant of Israel.

Behold, I will bring them back

from the land of the north;

I will gather them from the ends of the world,

with the blind and the lame in their midst,

Jeremiah 31:7-9

the mothers and those with child;

they shall return as an immense throng.

They departed in tears,

but I will console them and guide them;

I will lead them to brooks of water,

on a level road, so that none shall stumble.

For I am a father to Israel,

Ephraim is my first-born.

Responsorial Psalms

(5&11) Psalm 126

Haugen

Refrain: God has done great things for us, filled us with laughter and music.

When the LORD brought back the exiles of Sion, we thought we were dreaming. Then was our mouth filled with laughter; on our tongues, songs of joy. *Ref.*

Then the nations themselves said, "What great deeds the LORD worked for them!" What great deeds the LORD worked for us! Indeed, we were glad. *Ref.*

Bring back our exiles, O LORD, as streams in the south. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. *Ref.*

They go out, they go out, full of tears, bearing seed for the sowing; they come back, they come back with a song, bearing their sheaves. *Ref.*



When our God led us back to freedom, like dreamers we beheld the promised land again; our mouths were filled with laughter and rejoicing. *Ref.*

We proclaimed to the nations what you had done for us; your mighty deeds of love, restoring us to life, you lead your people home to you rejoicing. *Ref.*

Come restore our fortune, renew us in your love, as rivers through the sand, as springs with in the desert; those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing. *Ref.*

Second Reading Hebrews 5:1-6

Brothers and sisters: Every high priest is taken from among men and made their representative before God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal patiently with the ignorant and erring, for he himself is beset by weakness and so, for this reason, must make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honor upon himself but only when called by God, just as Aaron was. In the same way, it was not Christ who glorified himself in becoming high priest, but rather the one who said to him:

You are my son: this day I have begotten you;

just as he says in another place:

You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.



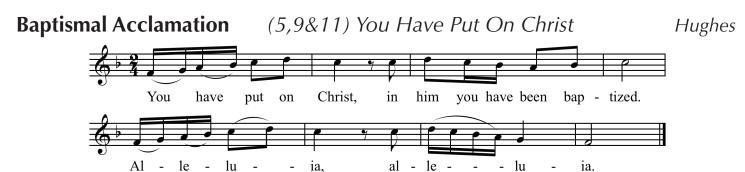
Our Savior, Jesus Christ, destroyed death; and brought life to light through the gospel.

Gospel Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizable crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging. On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he kept calling out all the more, "Son of David, have pity on me." Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you." He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

Homily

Julian Climaco, S.J.



Offertory

(5) Gonzaga Choir: For The Future

Maxfield

Planting trees early in spring, we make a place for birds to sing in time to come. How do we know? They are singing here now. There is no other guarantee that singing will ever be.

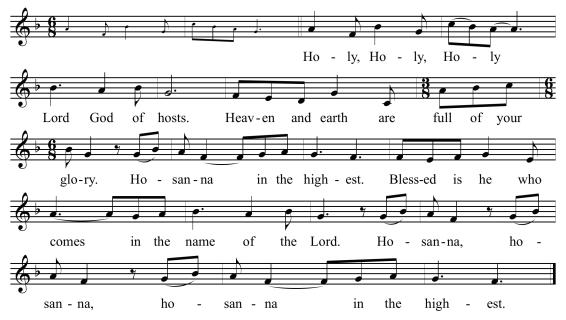




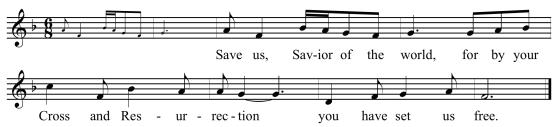


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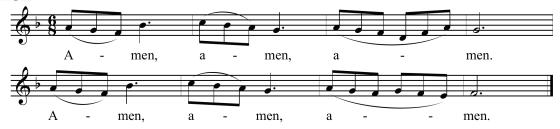
Haugen



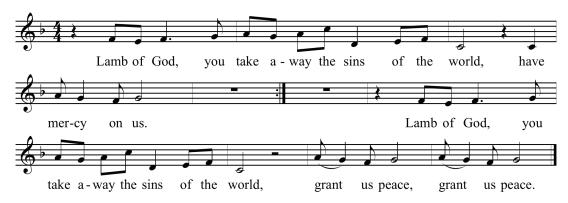
Mystery of Faith



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.

Communion Songs

(5) Gonzaga Choir: Spiritus Domini

Maxfield

Spiritus Domini replevit orbem terrarum, Alleluia.

The Spirit of our Lord hath replenished the whole world, Alleluia.

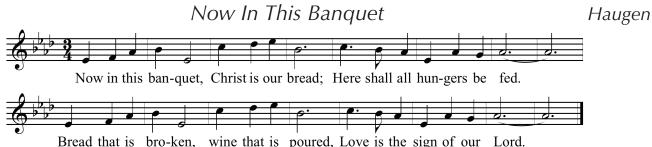
Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto, Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now,

and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.





Haas

We are met together and in meeting we are blessed. Peace in coming and in going, peace in labor and in rest. Hold on, dear brother! Hold on, dear sister! Hold on to me.

You're not alone and you never more will be. I will be with you, and I will carry you with me. Friendship endures, and surely we will prove it's not ourselves, but our bodies that move.





THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday

9:00 AM Mass

10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join us!

11:00 AM Mass 5:30 PM Mass

Monday

7:00 AM Mass

7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer Group

7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Group

Tuesday

 Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

7:00 PM All Saints Day Mass

Friday

7:00 AM Mass

11:30 AM Anointing Mass

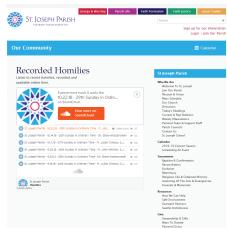
Saturday

3:30 PM Reconciliation

5:00 PM Mass

Recorded Homilies

St. Joseph is now recording the homily each weekend. We are sharing those recordings on the front page of our website, www.stjosephparish.org and also on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/stjosephseattle. Please feel free to listen and to share them with others. We hope you enjoy this new feature.



WELCOME!

New? Visiting? Interested? Are you visiting for the first time? Interested in knowing more about the ministries and activities at St. Joseph Parish? Please join our weekly e-news blast at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Sign up for our eNewsletter" link in the upper right corner of the homepage. Thank you!

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.

Stewardship FAQ - Glass Pockets

At St. Joseph Parish, we do our best to have "glass pockets" since we know the money with which we tend to the mission of St. Joseph Parish belongs to the people of St. Joseph. In the spirit of fiscal transparency, we attempt to answer some frequently asked questions about our finances.

What is the annual budget of St. Joseph Church?

Excluding the School, which operates a separate financial structure, St. Joseph Parish had annual expenses in fiscal year 2018 of \$2,003,078. The vast majority of last year's revenue \$1,988,599 was generously given by parishioners during our annual stewardship campaign, weekly collections, and the response to a special appeal. The small remaining amount was generated from things like facility rental, program fees, etc., most of which are set and cannot grow significantly.

Our attendance numbers have grown amazingly and we have tried continually to expand the ways in which we respond to the needs of our faith community. Despite our increase in membership, our stewardship commitments have not risen at the same pace. Our financial reality is that our current stewardship level does not cover all of our current operating expenses. In past years, we've been blessed with bequests that have helped us pay the bills, but we all know its not fiscally responsible to continue to rely upon bequests as a repeatable source of income. If we are to respond to the needs expressed by our community members during the strategic listening sessions, we need to be able to fund our response.

In the coming year, we need to raise an additional \$200,000 in stewardship to sustain regular operations, which translates to each and every parishioner to prayerfully considering a 10% increase in stewardship donation. And to those parishioners who don't donate because it "appears" we don't need your gifts, we can assure you that we DO need your gifts. We are happy to walk you through our revenues & expenses so you can see for yourself.

I am strongly considering not making a gift this year as a protest until the systems of bishop accountability are cleaned up. How can I ensure that the money I give is spent within our community and not forwarded to the Archdiocese or USCCB?

Gifts raised during our annual Stewardship Campaign fund the ministries, programs, and day-to-day operations of the Parish. Stewardship gifts designated for a specific use within St. Joseph Parish cannot and will not be sent to the archdiocese—if you wish to ensure that your gift remains on our block, please designate your gift to one of the below areas. The largest expenses for the Parish are related to the ministers and facilities that directly serve St. Joseph parishioners:

Administration: Stewardship supports the salaries and benefits for our staff and employees, including the Pastor, Parochial Vicar, Deacon, Maintenance, Facilities, Stewardship & Communications, Bookkeeping, etc. (Hopefully, you know at least some of the great things our staff does!) The budgetary percentage that goes to this area remains below the national average--for all we do, we run a relatively lean machine. Also within this area are the costs of the software we use, costs of printing of weekly Mass guides and bulletins, as well as maintaining webpages.

Building & Grounds: Keeping the lights on and the heat pumping in the Church, Parish Center, Social Hall, Old Gym, etc.; maintenance.

School Subsidy: Following the guidelines set out by the Archdiocese on appropriate support for schools, St. Joseph Parish gives over \$200,000 each year to St. Joseph School, which provides scholarship help for members of the Parish.

Liturgy & Worship: Weekly and daily liturgies, funerals, weddings, choirs, prayer groups, and all things related.

Parish Life: Speakers, Retreat opportunities, Marriage Enrichment, the Parish Picnic, annual St. Patrick's Day party, We Are St. Joseph Service Days, Spiritual Direction and Counseling, Seniors-On-the-Go, Men's Ministry, Women's Ministry, LGBTQ Ministry, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Sister Parish Ministry, Funeral Hospitality and Sunday Hospitality.

Faith Formation: Sustaining(beyond fees) Children's Faith Formation including baptism, Children's Faith Formation classes, 1st reconciliation, 1st Eucharist, and Confirmation as well as Adult Faith Formation opportunities such as Bible studies.

Faith Justice: Keeping our parish in relationship with those in need through coordination with outreach partners. Annual events include the Alternative Bazaar, We Are St. Joseph Service Days, Epiphany Dinner and the Giving Tree. This group works directly with parish ministries for Choose Life, St. Martin de Porres Meals Ministry, St. Vincent de Paul Ministry and the Winter Overnight Shelter.

Archdiocesan Assessments: In addition to our Annual Catholic Appeal assessments of \$ \$151,738, St. Joseph pays insurance through the Archdiocese, as well as an Archdiocesan operations tax (approximately 5.75% of Stewardship income). This is the only money that goes to the Archdiocese from Stewardship gifts. Please note that stewardship gifts designated for a specific use within St. Joseph Parish cannot and will not be sent to the archdiocese—if you wish to ensure that your gift remains on our block, please designate your gift to one of the above areas.

Should you have any questions about the finances of our parish, or how the gifts we receive are used, please don't hesitate to contact Tina O'Brien, Director of Advancement at tinao@stjosephparish.org or call 206.965.1654.

Why we came to St. Joseph. . . and why we stay. . .

St. Joseph is blessed by a multigenerational community, a collection of families made up of parents and grandparents, of single adults, and of children just starting out. Some of these families have been at St. Joseph for years, and some have come from other regions. Here we feature two such families, and tell the varied stories of how they came here and why they stay and support St. Joseph.





The Calvert Family: Finding Our Way

It began with the 5:30 Contemplative Mass, when **Deanne**, then a young professional on her own in Seattle, discovered St. Joseph Parish: "I loved that Mass at that time in my life; so guiet and peaceful." Called to leave Seattle for work in Olympia, it took 6 years for her to get back, and she hasn't left St. Joseph since.





There, with her fiancé, **Phil Calvert**, Deanne went through marriage preparation, and in 2000, walked down the aisle of St. Joseph to

begin her married life with Phil. One of her fondest memories of St. Joseph came that day: "I remember our wedding, the beautiful church and Jessica, the Saturday night cantor, singing, 'How Can I Keep From Singing' as my brother walked my mother up the aisle." Still, whenever that song is sung at St. Joseph, "it always gives me a sense of a 'shout out' from God."





For Phil, the marriage preparation and the years of going to Mass with Deanne drew him deeper and deeper into the life of the Parish, and so he finally decided to enter the RCIA program and become a Catholic himself. Since that time, St. Joseph Parish and School have become a big part of Phil's sense of family and tradition, a sense heightened in the years since his son, **John** was born, and since his parents moved to Seattle to be closer to Phil and Deanne (and, especially, John).



Phil's parents, **John and Kay Calvert**, moved to Seattle in 2005, after a lifetime of travel and work. As Kay notes, "We wanted to live closer to our family since our son had a new baby and my husband was dealing with health issues." Eventually, the elder John would be diagnosed with Alzheimers, the disease that took his life in 2016; yet by that time, Kay and John had become as much a part of St. Joseph Parish as had their daughter in-law, son, and grandson. Young John was often with his grandmother, and like many

students at St. Joseph School, was lucky to have his grandmother at various school events. But Kay also found her own community of friends at St. Joseph—especially among the Seniors who play Rummikub on Fridays in the Parish Center, "I could come when my



husband was limited by Alzheimers, and I come now for the Healing Mass. The wonderful people I have met!"

If there is a common theme in talking to the Calvert's about St. Joseph, it is the way both Parish and School have offered them an experience that blesses the whole family, making them feel part of the whole—both at the School and in the Church.

To Phil, the draw of St. Joseph has grown through his son's life at St. Joseph School. "I remember the St. Joseph Jog-a-thons and all the little kids, including John, running their hearts out!" Through 9 years at St. Joseph, Phil watched as little Jack matured into the gifted young man—who now goes by "John" and is studying at Seattle Preparatory. Always kind, John has always known St. Joseph as "his" Parish, and has added to the life of the Parish as an altar server and, later, as gifted musician.

Indeed, for John, music has been one of the gifts developed at St. Joseph, and his participation as a musician in both the Passion Play and the student Masses added much to his last year at St. Joseph. In fact, while his Grandmother points to his graduation—when he won a number of awards—as one of her fondest memories of St. Joseph, for John, the memory that stays with him is not so much about school, as about liturgy, and about the community: "My fondest memory is playing 'Amazing Grace' at my Grandpa's funeral, and seeing my St. Joseph classmates who came to support me." Few images better capture what St. Joseph School and Parish hope to instill in our students.

For Deanne, there have been many important moments at St. Joseph, some poignant, some funny, and some just surprising have revealed for her the unique community of St. Joseph: "I remember arriving at my Mother's funeral in Bellevue, after the tremendous helplessness and sadness I experienced during her month-long battle with cancer, and there was Fr. John, on the altar, concelebrating with my Mother's parish priest, when I didn't know he was coming." On the other hand, there was

young John's First Reconciliation: "He went to Fr. Jack O'Leary, and came back great relieved, saying, 'It was easy!' Then he asked Phil and I if we were going to go. . .so we both ended up going without ever planning it." Of course, with Fr. Jack, it was still easy, and Deanne will note, graced. But it has been more than just the priests who have offered special kindness, as Deanne says: "I got an e-mail this weekend from a fellow parishioner saying she missed me on the women's retreat, which I was not able to attend this year." Such experiences tie back to those first days at the 5:30 Mass when Deanne felt that St. Joseph was to be her place—so it has become, and so it remains, but now not just for her but for three generations of family!













Prayerfully Giving Discerning a Level of Stewardship That Fits Your Call

Level One The Mustard Seed	For those with great hearts but limited resources. "What is the kingdom of God like? To what can I compare it? It is like a mustard seed that a person took and planted in the garden. When it was fully grown, it became a large bush and 'the birds of the sky dwelt in its branches.'" (Luke 13:18-19)	 A. \$150 < \$350 about \$2 - \$7 a week B. \$350 < \$750 about \$7 - \$15 a week
Level Two Providing for the Mission	For those who sacrifice to build the mission. "Accompanying Jesus were the twelve & some women who had been cured, Mary called Magdalene, Joanna, Susanna, & many others who provided for them out of their resources." (Luke 8:1-3)	 A. \$750 < \$1,000 about \$15 - \$20 a week B. \$1,000 < \$1,500 about \$20 - \$30 a week C. \$1,500 < \$2,500 about \$30 - \$50 a week
Level Three Sowing Bountifully	For those graced & willing to share their bounty. "Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, & whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (Luke 8:1-3)	 A. \$2,500 < \$3,500 about \$210 - \$300 a month B. \$3,500 < \$5,000 about \$300 - \$420 a month C. \$5,000 < \$7,500 about \$420 - \$625 a month
Level Four Faithful & Prudent Stewards	For those blessed with substantial resources & able to share. "Who, then, is the faithful & prudent steward whom the master will put in charge to distribute the food allowance? Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, & still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more." (Luke 12:42, 48)	 A. \$7,500 < \$10,000 about \$625 - \$850 a month B. \$10,000 < \$25,000 about \$850 - \$2,100 a month C. \$25,000 < \$50,000 about \$2,100 - \$4,200 a month D. \$50,000 < whatever grace moves you to give
Level Five Spiritual Companions	For those who have only their hearts to give. "When he saw Peter & John about to go into the temple, the beggar asked for alms. But Peter looked intently at him, as did John, & said, 'I have neither silver nor gold, but what I do have I give you, in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean.'" (Acts 3:3-6)	If you are not able to give financially, know that your prayersthe gift that animates all othersare still needed. Please pledge to pray for St. Joseph.

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 stevew@stjosephparish.org

FAITH JUSTICE



Prison Ministry

Monroe Correctional Facility - Friday Nights - 3:30 to 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. Upcoming dates are Nov. 23, Dec. 7 and 21. You must be willing to fill out a visitor application two weeks prior. I'm specifically looking for Spanish-speaking parishioners and those with musical talents. Contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

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 Register online by Nov. 2 at www.ipjc.org/belovedcommunity or call 206.223.1138. Donation \$25 includes lunch. Sponsored by Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center

An Invitation from St. Joseph School

SJS will host it's first Parent Education event of the year to discuss Implicit and Unconscious Bias led by Expert Consultant, Educator and Activist, Rosetta Lee. We often see ourselves as open and inclusive people. We raise our children to be accepting of differences and treat people with dignity, kindness, and respect. We want to create and be part of communities that are inclusive and culturally competent toward all people of all backgrounds. Yet, there are implicit and unconscious bias that gets in the way of our best selves, and intentions aren't enough to guide our behaviors. Learn the science of cognitive biases we all have and what we can do to mitigate them within ourselves, our children, and our school. We hope you will join us on:

Date: November 13, 2018 - Location: Auditorium Dinner Served: 5:30 – 6:30 pm - Program: 6:30 – 8 pm Dinner and Childcare Provided

Sister Parish Meeting

St. Joseph's Sister Parish Ministry with San Bartolome in Arcatao El Salvador is seeking parishioners to join in our Strategic Planning Process to strengthen this relationship. Next year we will be celebrating our 30th Anniversary! Please join us on **Sunday November 4th 4:00pm – 5:15pm in the Parish Center.** For more information, contact Andrew DeBerry adeberry@outlook.com or Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646.

St. Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul volunteers often visit people say they wish they didn't need to ask for help. Our response is to tell them that is why we do what we do: help people in need. Our concern, and yours when you donate, is to provide food, pay an electric bill, get them a warm coat for the colder months, help with needs that are immediate. We can do something else, often just as important. We can listen to their stories, even pray with them if they ask us to.



We have found there is no substitute for an in-person, in-home visit. Some are quite short. Other times we'll sit and listen to their latest issue. Often we can recommend other agencies that provide services beyond our capacity.

Uniformly the folks we see are uniformly grateful. We tell them it is our parishioners at St. Joseph Church that make our support possible. It's true. Without your generous support, our work would not be possible.

Next collection for St. Vincent de Paul is November 3rd & 4th!

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 for the 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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

If you or someone you know would like to receive one of our beautiful handmade Prayer Shawls, please email prayershawlgroup@stjosephparish.org, or email Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org. We will do our best to get a Prayer Shawl for you as soon as possible.

If you would like to join us, we meet on the first Tuesday of every month in the Parish Center at 7pm and we would love to have you join us. **Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 6th.** If you would like to contribute supplies, please contact Sheila Prusa at sheilaprusa@msn.com, or Deacon Steve at stevew@ stjosephparish.org or 206.965.1646.

Women's Ministry An Invitation

Join us for fellowship and discussion. Sunday, Nov 4th, 3:00 -5:15 pm - 1620 East Prospect Street, Seattle Feel free to bring food & drink to share.

Through prayerful discernment, the Holy Spirit has called women of St. Joseph parish to gather God's people together to pray and dialogue about the future of our church. ALL ARE WELCOME! Topics we are called to discuss: · We feel the safety of our children and the soul of our church are in jeopardy. Do you? · We feel compelled to call on the leadership of the Catholic Church to once and for all denounce as sin and anti-Christian their institutional practice of consistently valuing men over women and children. Might insularity and inequality be partly the cause of this current crisis? · We believe the leadership of the Catholic Church needs the help and encouragement of ALL the faithful to embrace the Good News that Jesus loves us all, died for everybody, and wants us to heal the world and our church together. How might we accomplish this?

Men's Ministry

Planning Meeting Wednesday November 14th 7:00pm – 8:30pm in the Parish Center

Newcomers Welcome! Questions? Contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

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!

Soup season is here! Join the St. Joseph young adult community every other Monday for a chance to take a break from your busy week for fellowship and friends. We'll take turns volunteering to make the soup, and others can bring a drink or side dish to share. Soulful Soups will be in the Parish Center at 7 pm on: 11/5, 11/19, 12/3, 12/17, 1/7, 1/21 For details contact Callie at cturgeon10@gmail.com

Quarterly Planning Meeting

Monday, Nov 12th - 7 pm - Parish Center

Our goal is to plan events for the next three months. Bring your enthusiasm, good ideas and a friend. Questions? Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org

LITURGY AND WORSHIP



Remembering Our Beloved Dead

The Solemnity Of All Saints: On November 1st, we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints, remembering all the saints known and unknown to us. Masses are at 7:00 am and 7:00 pm in the church.

Ritual Of Remembering: At the 7:00 evening mass on **Thursday, November 1**, we remember those who have died this past year. We gather in candlelight, speak their names aloud, and pray for them and for each other as we sing the Litany of the Saints.

As in previous years, you are invited to bring photos of your loved ones to help create a shrine or "Saints Corner" to be located on the Mary altar. This will be maintained as a sacred space for contemplation and prayer throughout the month of November until Advent begins on December 2nd.

Additionally, you are invited to write the names of your departed loved ones in the "Book of the Names of the Dead" located at the entrance to the church.

Please write contact information on the back of the photo so it can be returned to you after November.

Pray With Us

For the families having infants baptized this weekend.

The Carusello Family The Davis Family The Graham Family The Lamb Family The Mangan Family The Oxman Family The Rodgers Family The Wong Family



St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes $Prayer\ \mbox{for the following intentions:}$ For a little girl Tree who is blind and a quadriplegic may she be surrounded by loving and caring people . . . May God grant Juan and his family strength and wisdom and know they are each in God's loving hands.

"The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace."

Psalm 29:11

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 and a ministry leader will be in contact with you to talk with you about the particulars of each ministry.

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!



Come Pray With Us! Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer on Monday, October 29th, 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



Pathfinders

Pathfinders, St. Joseph's Middle School Youth Group will be starting **Wednes-day**, **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

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. 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@stjospehparish.org

We need your help!

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. Please contact Mariep@stjosephparish.org for more information.

Female Sponsors Needed For RCIA

We are in need of 3-4 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 Cathechumen (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 stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

Love in the Family

Faith Sharing and Formation for You and Your Family! Come join us in the Social Hall during Coffee and Donut Hour from 10:15 to 11:00 am on **November 4th** and 11th. We will be discussing Saints, and how we can grow in holiness. All are Welcome!

For more information please contact Marie Pitman at mariep@stjosephparish.org

