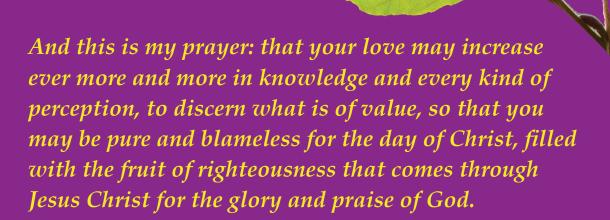


# St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE





Second Sunday of Advent

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 9, 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 December 16, 2018

FIRST READING: ZEPHANIAH 3:14-18A SECOND READING: PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7 GOSPEL: LUKE 3:10-18

Weekday Mass Schedule
Monday - Friday, 7 am, Parish Center
Reconciliation
Saturday - 3:30-4:15 pm in the Church
or by appointment
Parish Center
732 18th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98112

Monday- Friday - 8 am - 4:30 pm Saturday - 9 am - 1 pm www.stjosephparish.org Parish Receptionist (206) 324-2522

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# Repentance

Sin wants to remain unknown. It shuns the light. In the darkness of the unexpressed it poisons the whole being of a person.

This can happen even in the midst of a pious community.

### -Diedrich Bonhoeffer-

This Friday, the Society of Jesus of the Western United States—Jesuits West will release the names of somewhere around 110 men credibly accused, over the last 50 years, of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult. For those who recall the bankruptcy of the Oregon Province in 2009, many of these names may be familiar, since they were released at that time; but now, with the unification of the former Oregon and California Provinces, there is a desire and ability to release all the names of those in the unified Province against whom there are clear accusations. Given the state of our Church, and the sometimes criminal avoidance and cover-up of sexual abuse—as detailed in the grand jury report from Pennsylvania—I am relieved to know that our Province is both releasing these names and opening all our files to an outside auditing organization, who will ensure that any additional names are released that may have been overlooked. We who are called to follow in the footsteps of Ignatius cannot—must not—hide behind clerical privilege, but are called by Christ, in this moment especially, to open our lives and our hearts to the People of God. Though the pain of seeing these names is real and profound, it is infinitely less than the pain of those wounded by the actions of these Jesuits and is an essential part of the healing that must come to the Church and the Society. We must open these wounds and acknowledge them, speaking the truth and hearing the truth from survivors and from the many indirect victims, hurt by this history of abuse. Only in this way can we—the whole Church, the complete People of God—discern the future well.

In presenting the names of those it knows, the Province uses the term "credibly accused," which can sound, to some, like a term of avoidance—as though we are doubting the accusers. Yet, that is not the case. Rather, because most of these men were never accused of a crime (either because they were deceased or because the criminal statute of limitations had passed), they have never stood trial or been found guilty in court. Yet, despite this, we remain certain that the vast majority of the accusations made against these men are valid, and that they are guilty of the terrible acts of which they are accused. In my experience, people rarely fabricate such accusations, but rather carry them in pain and silence until they can bear it no more. No, most of these men, we can reasonably assume, are guilty of the things for which they are accused: guilty of sexual abuse and child rape, of preying on (in many cases) numerous young women and men, who were left to bear the scars of these assaults, often through years of silence, while the perpetrators remained esteemed and respected, hidden within their narcissism and the safety provided by clericalism. Some of these victims ended up taking their own lives, while others drove their wounds deep below the surface, coming out in depression and anger, in alcoholism and, sadly, even in the abuse of others. Like all sins, the crimes of these men gave birth to other sins—especially when nurtured in the soil of silence, denial, and in some cases, cover-up.

I have walked in the world of the Church abuse scandal since the first weeks of my tenure as Provincial of the Oregon Province, begun in July 2002, when I learned that the Oregon Province had just settled a case with two women, who had been molested by a Jesuit priest during his time in our parish in Woodburn, OR. In those days, as the horrible abuse and widespread cover-up was coming to light in Boston, we still believed that it was an aberration—something that could never happen in the Pacific Northwest. And though the news from Woodburn chastened me, reducing some of that hu-

bris, the actions of my predecessor, who had immediately removed the offender from ministry and moved him to a locked facility where he could be monitored (again, he could not be arrested because of the statute of limitations), left me hoping that, perhaps, the sins of Boston would not be found in the Oregon Province. But I soon discovered that we were not so special, not above the vanity and wickedness, the callousness and sin in which abuse thrives. Indeed, as I was to discover to my great shame, we were not even free of that fear and pride that leads to cover-up of things we feel are too embarrassing and evil to acknowledge.

Within a year of my becoming Provincial, it became clear to me that there had been widespread abuse in the villages of Alaska, and that, in the isolation of distant places, Jesuits whom I had once thought of as heroes, had perpetrated the most vicious of sins upon the most vulnerable of people. Further, through a combination of unjustifiable naiveté and negligence, leaders in both the Jesuits and diocesan Church had allowed this abuse to go on, destroying the lives of hundreds of children and families, and leaving an indelible scar on whole communities, already oppressed by other structures of racism and exploitation. Trying to meet with as many of those abused as I could, I heard stories that were painfully similar: of men given every deference and respect, who took horrible advantage of boys and girls, who often were left to wonder if their parents knew and allowed their abuse. I even met with former students, from my days as a Jesuit Volunteer, who did not recognize me as they told their story, because their lives had become so overshadowed by the abuse and its aftermath. There were times—in Alaska, and later in Yakima and Portland, in Seattle and Omak, in Missoula and Spokane—that I wanted to run from the room, screaming, or just plug my ears and slip under the table; but I remained as present as I could, because these women and men deserved to be heard, and I owed it to them. These sins, carried out by men whose access to the innocent was their identity as priest and Jesuit, were my sins, too; and I was called to receive them, to apologize personally, and then to act on what I was told with as much justice and love as I could. Too often, I knew, that had not been done; it needed to be done then, and needs to be done now.

There were other parts of the brokenness of the Church that I learned in my years as Provincial, including how easy it is to be seduced by the opportunity to hide our sins in the hope of avoiding the shame that comes with them. In one case, well known now, I learned how one of my predecessors—encouraged by his consultors and even by civil authorities who had "warned him"—chose to move an important Jesuit, John Leery, then president of Gonzaga University, rather than reveal his crimes. It was the only clear case I ever saw of coverup (though there may have been others); but I could sense all the pressure coming down around the Provincial to make the move, and unlike Jesus in the desert, the Provincial accepted the devil's offer of safety, all in the name of "protecting the Society," though in the process he sacrificed all that the Society stands for, as well as sacrificing the young men who had been hurt by Leery's assaults. When we, decades after the fact, found the meeting notes that outlined this deception, and chose to go to Spokane to make them public—owning not just Leery's sin, but that of the Society—many were angry for the revelation, but one man, who had been abused and had held it as his secret shame for decades, called me up and met with me. We have been friends ever since.

There are many letters and speeches that have been given apologizing for the actions both of the perpetrators and of those in positions of responsibility in the days since the crisis began. Indeed, I have written or said many of those apologies myself. But in the end, apologies mean nothing if they do not begin in listening, really listening, to the pain of those who have been hurt: the survivors of abuse, the families who have carried so much of the pain, the women and men whose Church and faith have been victimized. I hope I am doing that; I hope we are doing that, in part, by this presentation of these names. Yet, looking forward, in order for our apology to mean anything, it must not be thought of as complete simply because it has been said, even with a list of names attached. Rather, what has happened must change the way we Jesuits are as religious and priests: not just through new restrictions and safeguards, improved training and psychological testing (all of which have been done); nor even through the intervention and oversight of outside persons to ensure consistency and completeness in our reporting (though that, too, is essential). No. For our apology to mean anything, it must be followed by ownership of the sins of which we are a part, and by an acknowledgement that just as we are connected to Ignatius and Xavier, we are also connected to Jim Poole and Michael Tolouse. A true apology means we are committed to undoing the structures and behaviors that would empower the culture of abuse among us. Just as the Japanese renounced militarism and the Germans sought greater tolerance in the wake of World War II, so we must live our apologies by being more humble and less clerical, by rejecting the Church culture where we are treated as "higher than" lay women and men, a culture that invariably leads to abuse of power if not sexual abuse, and then leads, as well, to cover-up (since the victim is seen to be worth less than the victimizer). We must, instead, manifest—in all we do—the spirit to which we have been called, a spirit of service in humility, a spirit by which we profess the definition articulated in General Congregation 31: "What is it to be a Jesuit? It is to know that one is a sinner, and yet called to be a companion of Jesus." If we do this, then our apology may become our reform, and the beginning of reform in the Church, brought about not through our power, but through the grace of God, and the kindness, the wisdom, and the direction of God's People.

This week, as we light the second candle of our Advent wreath, and as we are faced with the great sin of the Church and of the Jesuits, I pray that the community of the Church might make us better. With St. Paul, I pray for the living Church: "that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God."

**NB** - You will be able to find the release of names, as well as frequently asked questions and other information, on the website of Jesuits West http://jesuitswest.org/ on Friday, 7 December 2018.

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

### **Prelude**

### (9) Comfort Ye

Handel

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness prepare ye the way of the Lord. Make straight in the desert a highway for Our God.

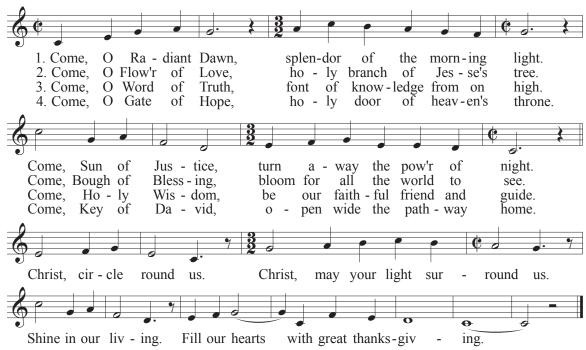
# **Call To Worship**

Please stand at the tolling of the bell.



### Christ, Circle Round Us

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# **Blessing The Advent Wreath**



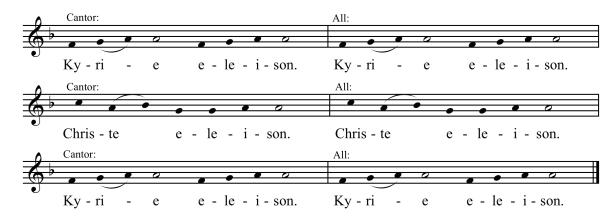
## **Penitential Act**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

Strike breast during next line.

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

### **Kyrie**



First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God forever: wrapped in the cloak of justice from God,

bear on your head the mitre

that displays the glory of the eternal name.

For God will show all the earth your splendor:

you will be named by God forever the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship.

Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights;

look to the east and see your children

gathered from the east and the west

at the word of the Holy One,

rejoicing that they are remembered by God.

Led away on foot by their enemies they left you:

but God will bring them back to you

borne aloft in glory as on royal thrones.

For God has commanded

that every lofty mountain be made low,

and that the age-old depths and gorges

be filled to level ground,

that Israel may advance secure in the glory of God.

The forests and every fragrant kind of tree

have overshadowed Israel at God's command;

for God is leading Israel in joy

by the light of his glory,

with his mercy and justice for company.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 126

Haugen



God has done great things for us, filled us with laugh-ter and mu-sic.

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 have 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** 

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Brothers and sisters: I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.



Gospel Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice of one crying out in the desert:

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low.

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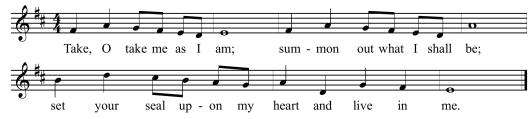
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The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

### **Homily**

# John D. Whitney, S.J.

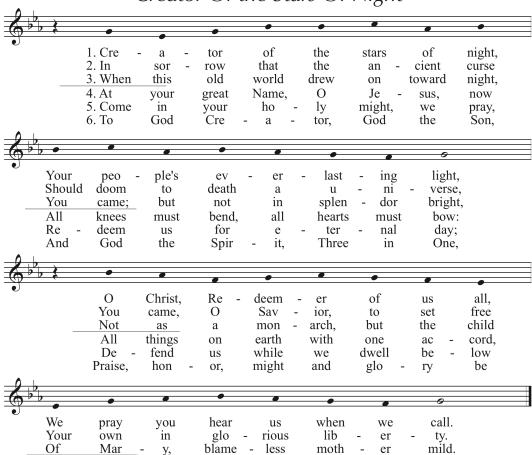
**Dismissal of Catechumens & Candidates** (5:30) Take, O Take Me As I Am



### Offertory



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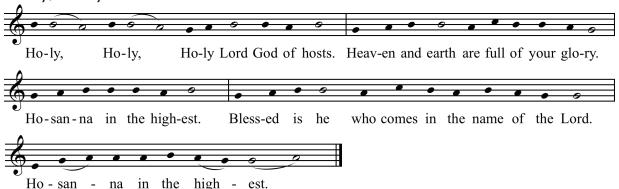
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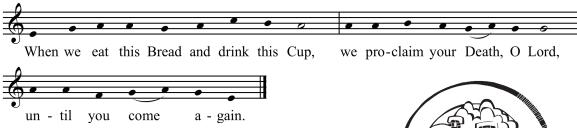
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### **Mystery of Faith**

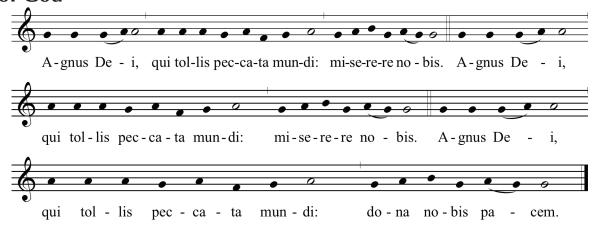


### **Great Amen**





### **Lamb of God**

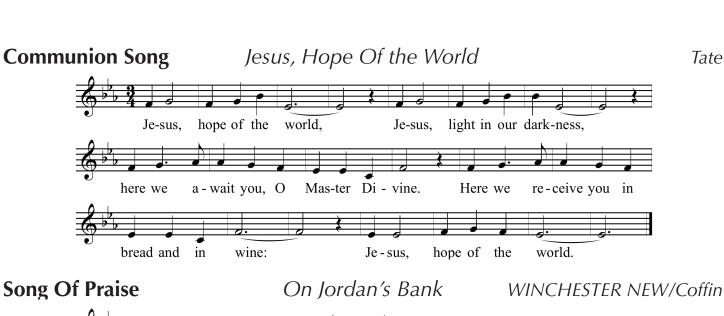




### All Are Invited To Come Forward

During communion, we invite all to come forward. If you do not ordinarily receive Eucharist, or choose not to, come for a blessing, indicating your desire by putting your hand on your heart.

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





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# THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH



Sunday

Mass

9:00 AM 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 7:00 PM

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

**Thursday** 

7:00 AM Mass

Friday

7:00 AM Mass

Saturday

3:30 PM Reconciliation

5:00 PM Mass

**STEWARDSHIP** 

Many, many thanks to all who have made gifts and pledges to our annual stewardship appeal. To date, we have received 353 pledges which is 19% of our families, totaling \$729,145 toward our goal of \$1,700,000. We are endlessly grateful for your commitment to St. Joseph Parish! If you haven't yet affirmed your active membership in our parish, please do so, and prayerfully consider what, if any, gift you are able to give to support our work.

Many, many thanks to: Aaron & Dorothy Ambuske, David Batchelder & Colleen McShane, Michael Caputi, Jan & Brigid Ciganik, Elizabeth Cline, Marilyn Dennehy, Mark & Stacey Donahue, Ross & Jennifer Elkin, Patrick & Roxanne Finney, Jason & Erin Hagens, Ranjiv & Nanette Hayre, Chris & Dana Kenny, Victoria Kill, Stephen McGrath & Eva Turella, Larry Meadows, Catherine Meehan, Jeffrey Nevin & Carrie Nemec, Robert & Katherine Ortblad, Dr. Heidi Pauwels, Michael & Jennifer Rothmeyer, Scott & Marguerite Roza, Doug & Kathleen Sanford, Thad & Tricia Scott, Albert Smith & Kristine Brynildsen-Smith, George & Suzanne Spano, Larry and Elise Sweet, Scott & Stacey Thompson, Brian Werner & Kate Crisham, Greg Witter & Anne McGonigle, Peter Wurmbauer and Troy & Moya Zaboukos.

# Tax-Saving Opportunity for Those 70½ or Older Receive the Benefits and Help St. Joseph

If you are aged 70½ or older you can make a gift to the St. Joseph Parish or School using funds transferred from your individual retirement account—without paying taxes on your distributions. Your gift can be accomplished simply!

### BENEFITS OF AN IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

- Avoid taxes on transfers of up to \$100,000(per year) from your IRA to St. Joseph
- Satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year
- Reduce your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions
- Make a gift that is not subject to the deduction limits on charitable gifts
- Help further the work and mission of St. Joseph

### HOW AN IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER GIFT WORKS

- Contact your IRA plan administrator to make a gift from your IRA to St. Joseph. 1.
- 2. Your IRA funds will be directly transferred to St. Joseph to help continue our important work.
- Please note that IRA charitable rollover gifts do not qualify for a charitable deduction. 3.
- Please contact Tina at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or 206.965.1654 if you wish for your gift to be used 4. for a specific purpose.

**CONTACT US** 

If you have any questions about an IRA charitable rollover gift, please contact Tina at stewardship@stjosephparish.org or 206.965.1654. She will be happy to assist you and answer any questions you might have. As always, we encourage you to seek professional advice when making financial decisions. THANK YOU!!



November 9, 2018

Dear Friends in the Lord,

Since the release of the Pennsylvania Grand Jury Report in August, which detailed horrific cases of sexual abuse of minors by priests, the Church has been reeling. While the vast majority of these offenses occurred in the past, the People of God rightly demand and deserve transparency on the part of Church leadership. Such transparency is important to support victims in their healing and to rebuild trust in the Church.

In this spirit of transparency, the Jesuits West Province will release the names of those Jesuits with credible allegations of sexual abuse of minors since 1950. We are currently compiling the names of these Jesuits and plan to release them on the first Friday of Advent, December 7, 2018. Additionally, we will engage an external review of files to ensure that our list is complete and that we appropriately handled previous cases of abuse. If the review identifies additional names of Jesuits with credible allegations of abuse, we will release those names as well. We will announce the name of the firm that will conduct the external review on December 7.

On behalf of the Society of Jesus, I apologize to victims and their families. There is no greater betrayal of pastoral care than the abuse of a minor by someone with a sacred duty to protect and care for the People of God. While the Church in the U.S. has experienced significant reform in this area, we are now called to deepen that reform by becoming more transparent. In issuing this list and calling for an independent review, we hope to offer victims and their families a step forward in the healing process.

Since 2002, Jesuits have enforced stringent policies to ensure the safety of minors. Jesuits undergo ongoing professional development to help create safe environments for everyone. I encourage anyone who has felt victimized by a Jesuit to contact both Mary Pat Panighetti, Advocacy Coordinator for Jesuits West, at 408-893-8398 or mppanighetti@jesuits.org, and appropriate law enforcement and child-protective agencies.

I have had the privilege of speaking with abuse survivors. These conversations are moments of grace as I encounter people of courage and conviction, people who realize that although the Church has failed them, God never will.

I ask you to pray for the victims of abuse and for our Church. May we find in this moment the courage to move forward with integrity, transparency and accountability.

In Christ.

Fr. Scott Santarosa, SJ

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# FAITH JUSTICE



# St. Joseph Giving Tree

Thank you for supporting our Outreach Partners! Instructions: GIFTS MUST BE BACK TO THE CHURCH BY

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17th at 9am.

- 1. Please choose an ornament and purchase the requested item.
- 2. If your item does not indicate whether to wrap the gift or to leave it unwrapped, please leave the gift UNWRAPPED.
- 3. Please attach the ornament tag you received to the wrapped/ unwrapped gift.
- 4. Bring your giving tree donations back to the Giving Tree or the Parish Center. Note: The last day of our collection is Monday, December 17th.
- 5. If you have any questions regarding the Giving Tree, please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish. org or 206-965-1646.

# **Prison Ministry Visit**

MONROE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY FRIDAY JAN. 4th or JAN. 18th 3:30 pm - 9:30 - Carpool from St. Joseph Brown Bag Dinner

Join Deacon Steve for Catholic Communion Service plus a chance to hear stories from some of the men who are incarcerated. You must be willing to fill out a visitor application. Deadline is December 21st. Contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

# **Racial Justice Book Group**

Please join other parishioners in our Racial Justice Book Group on **Tuesday**, **January 8**, **2019** at 7PM in the parish center to discuss *White Fragility* by Robin Di Angelo. Robin DiAngelo is a local renowned expert on racism and white privilege. Our group provides a safe and respectful place for us to address racism through the lens of the Gospel, and for discerning action steps in response. If you cannot join us please read along on your own. Everyone is welcome-men and high schoolers are especially invited to join us. Please email Mary de Rosas at mderosas@pnwimmigration.com with any questions or to RSVP.



### Casa Latina Breakfast

Share The Journey Breakfast at Casa Latina Thurs, Dec 20th - 7:00 to 9:00 am - 317 17th Ave S

As part of our parish efforts in support of our sisters and brothers who are refugees and immigrants, we are putting on a breakfast for 100 people at Casa Latina. We need money to buy food items and volunteers to help cook, serve and clean-up. We need items they can include in their raffle: \$10-\$25 dollar gift cards to Starbucks and McDonald's; \$25-\$50 gift cards to Safeway or QFC; winter gloves, jackets and hats. To help please contact Kaitlyn O'Leary at kaitlyn.m.oleary@gmail.com or Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org To learn more about Casa Latina go to their website http://casa-latina.org/



# **Catholic Hospital Ministry at Harborview Medical Center**

Volunteers are needed to bring Holy Communion and provide a presence to patients and their families at Harborview Hospital. Volunteers must complete all necessary paperwork, background checks, personal interviews and Orientation/Training sessions. Time expectation is once a week - 3-4 hour shift, plus bimonthly check-in gatherings. There is lots of flexibility in regards to specific day/time. If you would like to participate at 206-965-1646 or email Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at stevew@ stjosephparish.org.

# Parish Life



### **Volunteer Needed**

TRANSPORTATION TO SUNDAY 9AM MASS

A long-time parishioner who lives on Queen Anne Hill and is now unable to drive is in need of an occasional ride to and from the Sunday 9am Mass. If you are able to help, please contact Deacon Steve for details at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

# **Young Adult Ministry**

**December Social: Ugly Sweater Party** Sunday, December 16th, after the 5:30 pm Mass St. Joseph Parish Center - Arrupe Room

Join the St. Joseph Young Adult Community as we meet for festive fellowship in the Parish Center. Wear your finest, "ugliest" holiday sweater to kick the season off right! We'll be playing a game of Dirty Santa/ White Elephant gift exchange, so bring a present you'd like to swap or trade to participate! Food and drink will be provided for a cost of \$10.00 per person. For details email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish. org

### **Advent Bible Study**

Join the Young Adult Bible Study as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus during Advent! We will be reading and discussing Richard Rohr's book: Preparing for Christmas: Daily Meditations for Advent. Plan to meet 12/13, and 12/20 for dinner at 6:30 and discussion at 7:00pm. Please email Sabrina at spopoff@spu.edu to RSVP and with any questions! We are looking forward to growing in our faith with you!

### **Soulful Soups**

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. The next month of Soulful Soups will be 7 p.m. on: 12/17 (in Parish Social Hall underneath the church – enter doors off parking lot and 1/7, 1/21 in the Parish Center Arrupe Room. For details contact Callie at youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

### **Seniors On The Go**

**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.

**Friday, Janauary 11th** - (*Note the date change*) 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.* 

# Women's Ministry Coffee Connect

Join us Saturday, December 15th 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



### **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.

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# On the Path of Friendship Inspiring Care for One Another

Please join with married couples of all ages and walks of life as we gather for a weekend of spiritual reflection and fellowship.

"Marriage is an inevitable mixture of enjoyment and struggles, tensions and repose, pain and relief, satisfactions and longings, annoyances and pleasures, but always on the path of friendship, which inspires married couples to care for one another."

— Pope Francis, Amoris Lætitia



# \$365 per Couple\*

Partial Scholarships Available

For more information or to register, please contact Deacon Steve at (206) 965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org.

\* Price includes two nights lodging, Continental breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, and the Saturday evening group dinner.

# LITURGY AND WORSHIP

# Come Pray With Us! Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer on **Monday, December 3rd 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.

# **Our Lady of Guadalupe**

Join us as we celebrate the Mass for the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Wednesday, December 12th at 7 pm. This Feast Day commemorates the apparition of the Virgin Mary in 1531 to the humble St. Juan Diego on Tepeyac Hill in Mexico. Mary appeared to an indigenous man at a time when many felt the devastation of indigenous culture after the Spanish conquest. The miraculous appearance of Mary's image on Juan Diego's coarse cloak was a sign that God's love is for all people. Her image remains on the cloak which hangs in the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. The fourth grade students will help bring this story to life for our parish community. All are welcome to join us for Mass and to enjoy Mexican bread and warm drinks afterward. We hope you will join us!



**St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions**: For those who are experiencing side effects from various medicines and/ or treatments they are receiving . . . For friends and family who are traveling over the passes during this time of cold . . . For those who are suffering from the freezing elements, may we make a difference by our

Prayer who knitted and crocheted sweaters, hats, mittens and shawls for St. Francis House to give away to young children.

"I am confident of this,
That the one who began a good work in you
Will continue to complete it
Until the day of Christ Jesus."
~Philippians1:6



### St. Joseph Holiday Schedule

**Parish Advent Reconciliation Service** Saturday, December 22, 12 noon to 4 pm

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 22, 5:00 pm Mass Sunday, December 23, 9:00 am & 11 am Mass (no 5:30 pm Mass)

### Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Monday, December 24

4:00 pm, Children's Mass (Doors open at 3:00 pm) 6:00 pm, Mass in the Evening 10:00 pm, Lessons & Carols 10:30 pm, Mass in the Night

Tuesday, December 25 10:00 am, Mass in the Morning

New Year's Tuesday, January 1, 2018 10:00 am Mass, Mary Mother of God