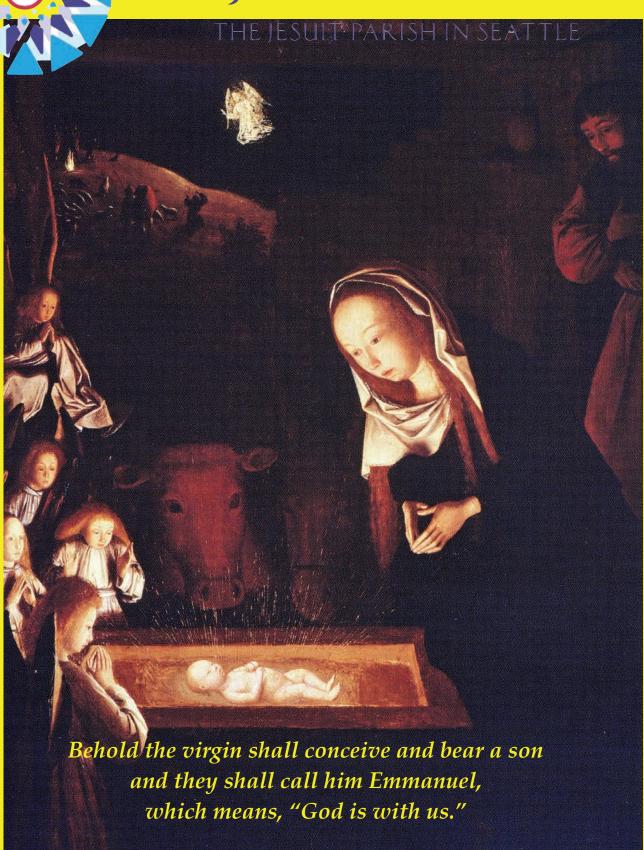
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St. Joseph Parish



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD **DECEMBER 25, 2018**

Next Weekend's Mass Schedule Sat 5:00 pm, Sun 9:00, 11 am & 5:30 pm The Feast of the Holy Family Tue 10 am Mary, Mother of God

Readings for December 30, 2018

FIRST READING: SIRACH 3:2-6, 12-14 SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 3:12-21 GOSPEL: LUKE 2:41-52

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Saturday - 3:30-4:15 pm in the Church or by appointment

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The Giver and The Gift

It is no use saying that we are born two thousand years too late to give

Christ is always with us, always asking for room in our hearts.

-Dorothy Day-

My brother, Bill, stood on the right, the "pole position," and acted as the starter—assuming that role before I can remember. Patty, ever the first born and responsible one, would hang back, just a little—making sure that the "little kids" (my sister, Elizabeth, and I) were not trampled or left behind. We would crouch in the middle, like runners readying ourselves for the championship dash. And Mike, a year younger than Bill, would flank us on the left, ready to insure that no one (except him) crashed into the wall on the way through the house. It was Christmas morning, and though my parents had given strict orders that we could not go into the family room until 6:00 am, we were already up and about, whispering to one another long before the hour struck. And as we lined up in the doorway with our bedrooms behind us, Bill would offer the countdown: "Ready. Set. GO!" And off we would dash, passing the front door and rushing through the kitchen, sliding on the linoleum but trying not to crash into one another too hard, because there at the end was the tree, still lit from the night before, with the tinsel glistening in the multi-colored lights and the stacks of packages laid out underneath with Santa's particularly strategic flair. I often wondered why Santa never wrapped the packages he left for us—as though too many other things were going on in the Christmas season for him to be bothered—but I loved the way each of us had nearly even piles of boxes, with our names written on cards on the top box. Mike and Bill would find their piles under the widow, always next to each other, while Liz and I were in the middle, and Patty was next to my mother's chair.

Tearing into the gifts, there were some constants—every year a book for each one of us, a couple of board games, and invariably a sweater or coat with a few shirts—but there were also surprises. A transistor radio for my sister, Patty, or drums for my brother, Bill. The best of these, perhaps, was the year Liz and I both got bikes—Schwinn Stingrays, with banana seats and high handle bars. Mine was bright red and hers was gold. With my new sweater already pulled on over my cowboy and Indian pajamas, all I wanted to do was get out on the street, but that enthusiasm was pulled back for awhile. For about the time we had destroyed all the piles, and filled the floor with boxes and gifts, my parents would arrive: my father in is his grey plaid flannel bathrobe and my mother in her long blue robe. They would watch and revel in the madness for awhile, and then sit down—maybe with a piece of pumpkin pie, left over from the night before—as we went through each of the gifts and showed both of them all that we had received.

The night before, on Christmas Eve, it had been their turn to receive, when we all gathered in the living room (reserved for special occasions) and gave them the presents we had bought for them. My mother would create a feast—turkey, ham, green beans, and her famous baked oysters—and we would eat buffet style, invited to come and go until it was time for the great exchange of gifts. Then my father, dressed in an old, rarely worn smoking jacket or big cardigan sweater, would light a fire in the fireplace and take his seat in the large winged chair he had

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bought for my mother on the occasion of my brother, Michael's, birth. My mother, on the other hand, still wearing her apron, would sit across the room on the couch, Patty and Elizabeth usually flanking her. One by one we would bring out our gifts and present them, the older kids first and then Elizabeth and me. We were as happy and excited to give my parents these gifts as we would be the next day to receive what was given to us. My father always acted like every gift was exactly what he wanted—whether it was the best seller, Shoes of the Fisherman, which my siblings had purchased, or the two styrofoam snowmen I had found at Andersons' Drugstore (using the money my parents had given me). My mother, on the other hand, acted like every gift was too extravagant—even the ones that, looking back, were objectively ghastly, like the oil painting of an orange ocean sunset that my brother bought one year, or the \$3 perfume I had found at the mall. No matter what, she would declare, "You should not have spent your money! This is too much!" One year, in particular, my older siblings gave her a beautiful veil (a mantilla). These were the days before Vatican II, when women were expected to cover their heads in church, and seeing what my older brothers and sisters had bough, she held it to her heart and began to cry. The photo of that moment, with me on the couch beside her, always reminds me of Christmas, and of the generosity—both in giving and receiving—that my parents taught us, not by word but by example. For we loved it all: the chance to make our parents happy, the experience of giving to those who gave us so much, and the drama of watching my mother's tears and hearing my father's voice declare, as though making a great pronouncement, "This is perfect. Just exactly what I wanted!"

On Christmas morning, after the last of the packages had been opened and then restacked under the tree, we would get dressed and go to church together: all of us children lined up between our parents, from oldest to youngest, and wearing at least one thing we had received that morning. Thrilled by our new clothes and hopped-up on the adrenaline of the morning, we would sing the carols and ignore the homily—too busy looking around at all the other families, filling the church—and then we would go together someplace for breakfast, biding our time until the big Christmas dinner, to be celebrated at the Officers' Club on Treasure Island. There, as my sister, Elizabeth, drank her Shirley Temple and I drank my Roy Rogers (which is, in fact, the same drink) we would all finally let down a little and just be together, without running or wrapping or showing off our new stuff. And, though we would have to pose for at least one picture by my father-which seemed to take forever—we would mostly just enjoy the gift of the day and the joy we felt with each other on the day of Jesus' birth.

With the exception of the styrofoam snowmen, I don't recall many of the gifts I ever gave on Christmas, and even fewer of the gifts I received. They are lost, somewhere in the haze of my childhood, like change in cushions of a couch. But I remember the people I was with, and the joy (and occasional skirmishes) that blessed the holiday and made it unique in the year. Today, my parents and my sister, Elizabeth, have died, living on only in my memory; yet, even before they passed away, new families and new responsibilities had altered the traditions and changed the roles of those childhood Christmases. Still, what remains of those days—the memories of love and of gifts given and received, the joy and the laughter around the tree, the tears of my mother and the warm mercy of home—continue to shape and support me, forming the sinew and strength of my soul, the habit of being which guides me even into my 60's.

When God sought to redeem the world, to rescue each one of us from the darkness of fear and ego into which we can too easily fall, it was not with power nor with armies that God came. Nor was it with great gifts that God sought to win us over. God did not offer us some magic book, or a secret diet, or a 5-year plan to happiness. Rather, God offered us communion through the life of Jesus, the Incarnate Son of God. Like the shepherds out in their fields, we are called from our separate hillsides to come and see the child, his mother, and Joseph, in the place where they are staying. We come to this birth not because we are ready for it, but because it is time: time to be with each other and to let go of all the plans and programs, the technology and fears that keep us from being simply present in this community. Maybe all we can offer is some small gift—like a shed given to a pregnant couple, because we don't have room at our inn-but what is most important is that we allow ourselves to become incarnated with the people we love and the people who love us-or who are coming to love us. What saves us, this Christmas and into eternity, is never the pile of gifts, never the stuff we get or even give, but always the blessings and love that take flesh among us, and that are already waiting to be born in our foolish and beloved hearts. Of these gifts, we have more than enough for all, and more than enough to share.

So, if we are blessed, like the shepherds, to know of the Savior's birth, let us be sure to invite the lonely and afraid to go with us to see him. And if we feel we have no room left, as the innkeeper felt, let us recall that even a stable can be a place of blessing. And if we feel exhausted, like Mary and Joseph must have felt, let us stop trying to do more and accept the grace that has already been born among us, joining with those who have come to seek God in the small life that is ours. Let us enjoy the gifts that come to us and the gifts we give, while always remembering that no gift is as great as the ones who gather around us, and the One whom we hold in our arms and in our hearts.

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The Nativity of the Lord

Vigil Mass

24 December 2018

4 pm

Pre-Mass Carols



O Little Town of Bethlehem

- O little town of Bethlehem, How still we see thee lie!
 Above thy deep and dreamless sleep The silent stars go by;
 Yet in the dark streets shineth The everlasting Light;
 The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee tonight.
- For Christ is born of Mary, And gathered all above, While mortals sleep, the angels keep Their watch of wond'ring love. O morning stars, together Proclaim the holy birth! And praises sing to God the King, And peace to all on earth.
- 3. O holy Child of Bethlehem! Descend to us we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us today. We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel.

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

God rest you merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay,
 For Jesus Christ our Savior Was born upon this day,
 To save us all from Satan's power When we were gone astray. ref
 Refrain:

O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy!

- 2. In Bethlehem in Judah This blessed babe was born, And laid within a manger Upon this blessed morn: For which His mother Mary Did nothing take in scorn. *ref*
- 3. Now to the Lord sing praises, All you within this place, And with true love and charity Each other now embrace; This holy tide of Christmas All others shall replace. *ref*

What Child Is This?

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping.
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping? *ref*

Refrain:

This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing; Haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

- 2. Why lies he in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian fear; for sinners here, the silent Word is pleading. *ref*
- 3. So bring him incenses, gold, and myrrh; come peasant, king, to own him. The King of kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone him. *ref*

Prelude

Choral: The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy

- The Virgin Mary had a baby boy. The Virgin Mary had a baby boy.
 The Virgin Mary had a baby boy And they say that his name was Jesus.
 He come from the Glory, He come from the Glorious Kingdom,
 Oh yes, believer, oh, yes, believer. He come from the Glory, He come from the Glorious Kingdom.
- 2. The angels sang when the baby was born...He come from the Glory...
- 3. The shepherds came where the baby was born. ... He come from the Glory...
- 4. The wise men saw where the baby born...He come from the Glory...

Blessing of the Creche

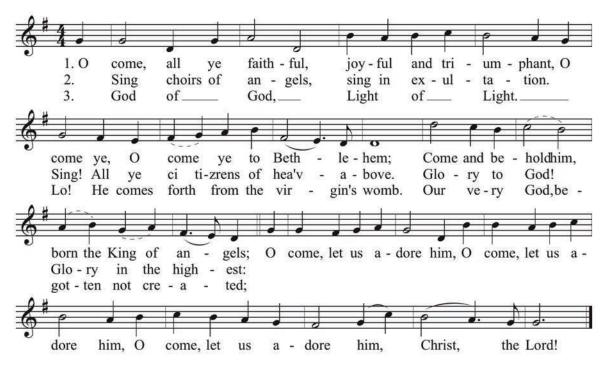
Silent Night

- 1. Silent night, Holy night, All is calm, all is bright Round you virgin, mother and child, Holy infant, tender and mild Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.
- 2. Silent night, Holy night, Son of God, love's pure light Radiant beams from thy holy face With the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus, Lord at thy birth.
- 3. Silent night, Holy night, Shepherds quake, at the sight Glories stream from heaven above, Heavenly, hosts sing Hallelujah. Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.



Entrance Song

O Come, All Ye Faithful



Gloria



Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plain. And the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strain. *Gloria...*

First Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory; you shall be called by a new name pronounced by the mouth of the LORD. You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, a royal diadem held by your God.

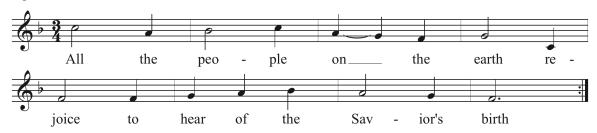
No more shall people call you "Forsaken," or your land "Desolate," but you shall be called "My Delight," and your land "Espoused."
For the LORD delights in you and makes your land his spouse.
As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride

so shall your God rejoice in you.

Psalm Response

Psalm 96

Walker



Sing to the LORD, all you lands. Sing to the LORD; bless his name. *Ref.*

Announce his salvation day after day. Tell his glory among the nations, Among all peoples his wonderous deeds. *Ref.*

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice; let the sea and what fills it resound. Let the plains be joyful and all that is in them! The shall all the trees of the forest exult! *Ref.*

They shall exult before the LORD, for he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice; And the peoples with his constancy. *Ref.*

Second Reading

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25

When Paul reached Antioch in Pisidia and entered the synagogue, he stood up, motioned with his hand, and said, "Fellow Israelites and you others who are God-fearing, listen. The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors and exalted the people during their sojourn in the land of Egypt. With uplifted arm he led them out of it. Then he removed Saul and raised up David as king; of him he testified, 'I have found David, son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will carry out my every wish.' From this man's descendants God, according to his promise, has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus. John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel; and as John was completing his course, he would say, 'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.'"

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia



Holy Gospel Matthew 1:1-25

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David became the father of Solomon, whose mother had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon became the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asaph. Asaph became the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, Joram the father of Uzziah. Uzziah became the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah. Hezekiah became the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amos, Amos the father of Josiah. Josiah became the father of Jechoniah and his brothers at the time of the Babylonian exile.

After the Babylonian exile, Jechoniah became the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, Zerubbabel the father of Abiud. Abiud became the father of Eliakim, Eliakim the father of Azor, Azor the father of Zadok. Zadok became the father of Achim, Achim the father of Eliud, Eliud the father of Eleazar. Eleazar became the father of Matthan, Matthan the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Of her was born Jesus who is called the Christ.

Thus the total number of generations from Abraham to David is fourteen generations; from David to the Babylonian exile, fourteen generations; from the Babylonian exile to the Christ, fourteen generations.

Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:

Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,

which means "God is with us." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.

Homily

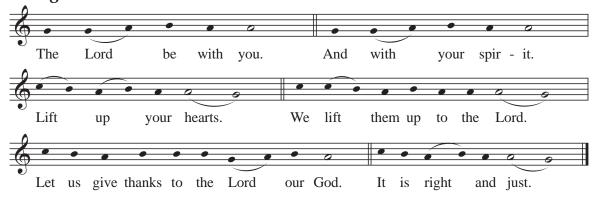
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Offertory Song

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

- 1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all you nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
- 2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord:
 Late in time behold him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb.
 Veiled in flesh the Godhead see: Hail the'incarnate Deity,
 Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
 Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
- 3. Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace!
 Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
 Light and life to all he brings,
 Risen with healing in his wings.
 Mild he lays his glory by,
 Born that we may no more may die,
 Born to raise us from the earth,
 Born to give us second birth.
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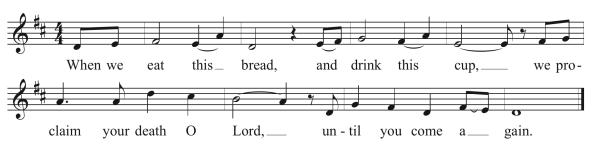
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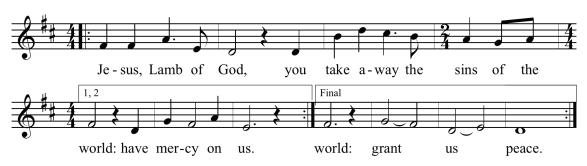
Mystery of Faith



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,

OU HAVE A GEOTEN ALLERGY, & NEED A GEOTEN TREE



Choral: He Came Down That We Might Have Love

He came down that we might have love. He came down that we might have love. He came down that we might have love. Hallelujah, forevermore!

He came down that we might have peace... He came down that we might have joy... He came down that we might have life...



Song of Praise

Choral: We Wish You A Merry Christmas

We wish you a Merry Christmas. We wish you a Merry Christmas We wish you a Merry Christmas And a Happy New Year

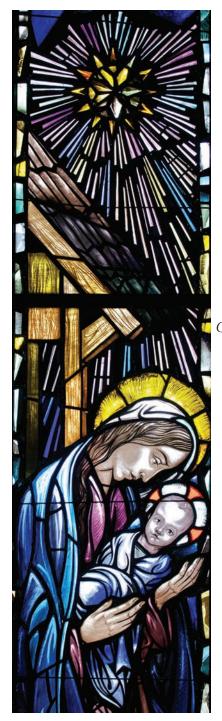
Good tidings we bring to you and your kin We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



The Nativity of the Lord

Vigil Mass 24 December 2018 6 pm

Pre-Mass Carols



O Little Town of Bethlehem

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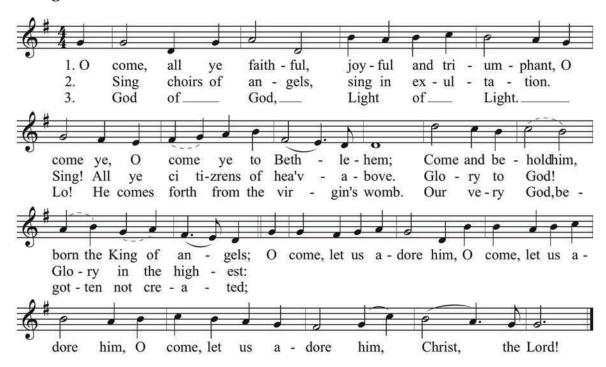
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 For Jesus Christ our Savior Was born upon this day,
 To save us all from Satan's power When we were gone astray. ref
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Good Christian Friends Rejoice

- Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
 O give heed to what we say: Jesus Christ is born today!
 Ox and ass before him bow, And he is in the manger now.
 Christ is born today! Christ is born today!
- 2. Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; Now you hear of endless bliss: Jesus Christ was born for this! He has opened heaven's door, And we are blest for evermore. Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
- 3. Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice; Now you need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and calls you all To gain his everlasting hall. Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

Entrance Song

O Come, All Ye Faithful



Gloria

Sorrington Mass

Haugen



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.



- 1.We praise you,
 we bless you,
 we adore you,
 we glorify you,
 we give you thanks for your great glory,
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.



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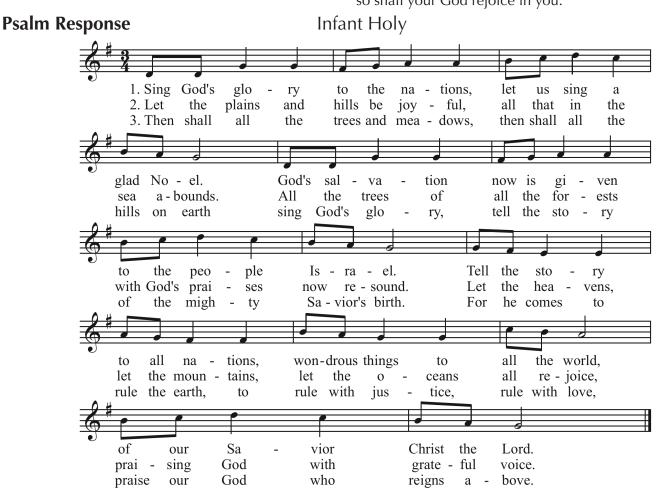
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Gates

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Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:

Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,

which means "God is with us." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.

Homily

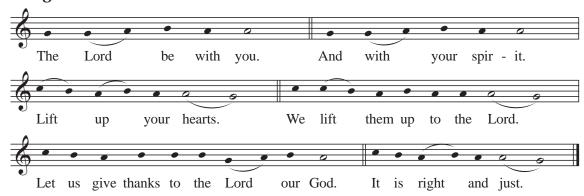
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Offertory Song

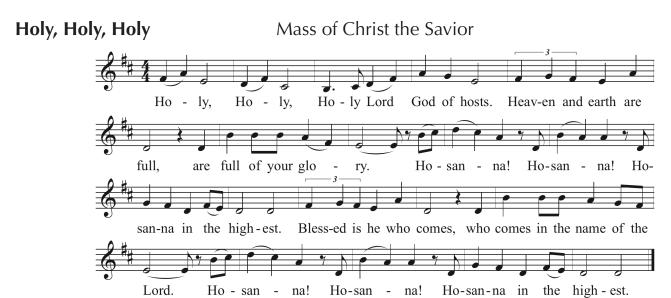
Hark the Herald Angels Sing

- 1. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all you nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With the angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
- 2. Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord:
 Late in time behold him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb.
 Veiled in flesh the Godhead see: Hail the'incarnate Deity,
 Pleased as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
 Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"
- 3. Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace!
 Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
 Light and life to all he brings,
 Risen with healing in his wings.
 Mild he lays his glory by,
 Born that we may no more may die,
 Born to raise us from the earth,
 Born to give us second birth.
 Hark! the herald angels sing,
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Preface Dialogue



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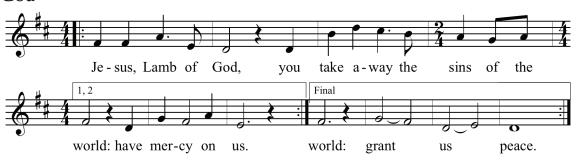
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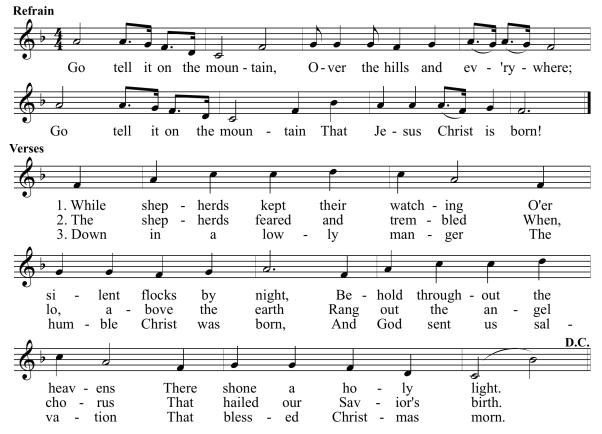
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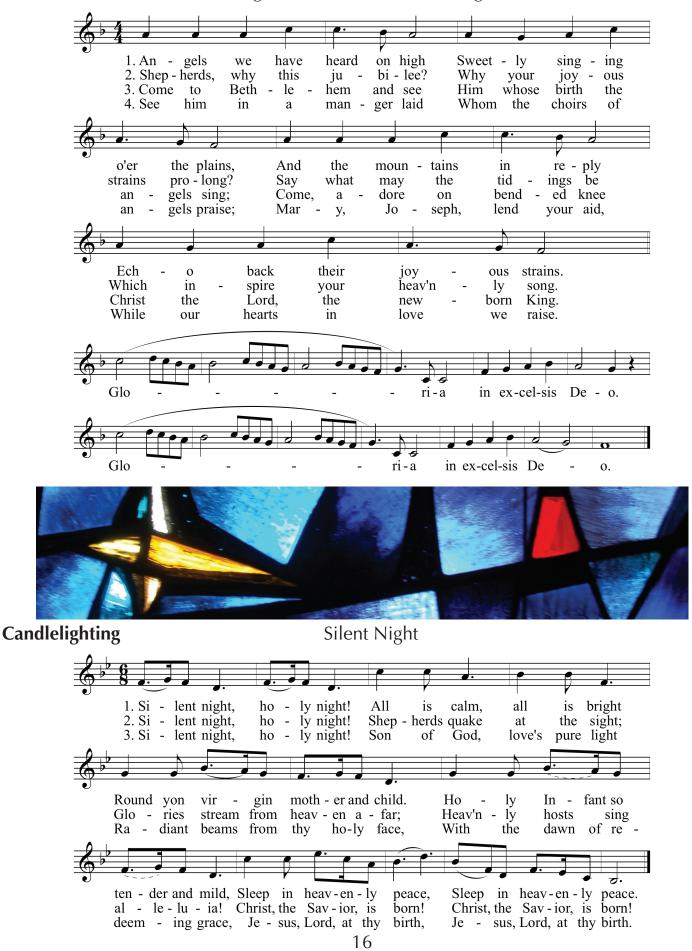


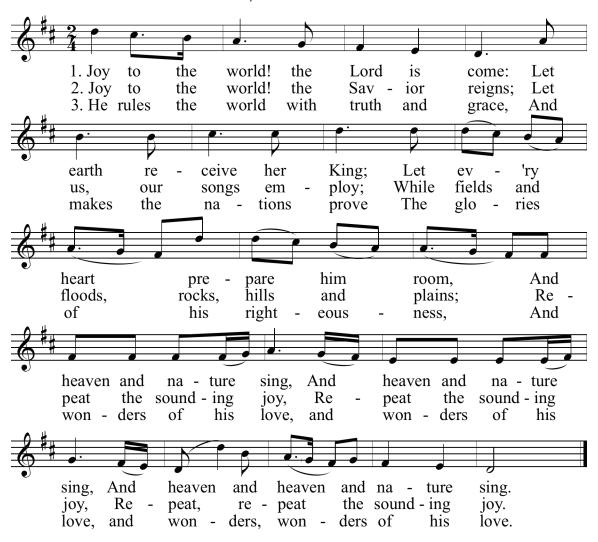
Communion Songs

Go Tell It On the Mountain



Angels We Have Heard On High







10 PM Lessons & Carols

Choral Introit

Of The Father's Love Begotten

- Of the Father's love begotten, ere the worlds began to be,
 He is Alpha and Omega, he the source, the ending he
 Of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see. Evermore and evermore!
- 2. O that birth forever blessed, when the Virgin, full of grace,
 Overshadowed by the Spirit, bore the Savior of our race;
 And the babe, the world's redeemer, first revealed his sacred face. *Evermore and evermore!*
- 3. This is he whom seers and sages sang of old with one accord, Whom the voices of the prophets promised in their faithful word; Now he shines, the long expected; let creation praise its Lord. *Evermore and evermore!*
- 4. Let the heights of heav'n adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing; Pow'rs, dominions, bow before him and extol our God and King; Let no tongue on earth be silent, ev'ry voice in concert ring. *Evermore and evermore!*
- 5. Christ, to you with God the Father, and the Spirit, One in Three, Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving, and unending praises be: Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory. *Evermore and evermore!*

Opening Prayer

Lesson One

Madeline L'Engle

Was there a moment, known only to God, when all the stars held their breath, when the galaxies paused in their dance for a fraction of a second, and the Word, who had called it all into being, went with all his love into the womb of a young girl, and the universe started to breathe again, and the ancient harmonies resumed their song, and the angels clapped their hands for joy?

I stand on the deck of my cottage, looking up at the sky full of God's children, and know that I am one of them.

Choral

I Wonder As I Wander

Niles

I wonder as I wander out under the sky, how Jesus the Savior did come for to die. For poor on'ry people like you and like I...I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

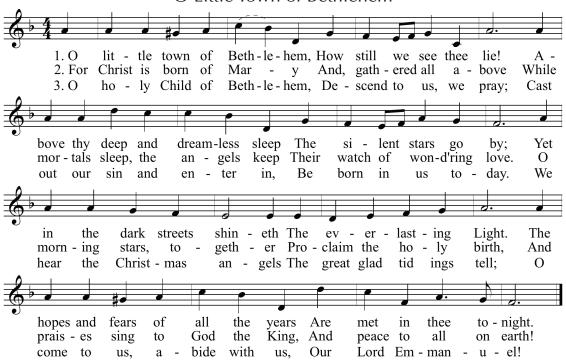
When Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a cow's stall with wise men and farmers and shepherds and all. But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall, and the promise of ages it then did recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, a star in the sky, or a bird on the wing, Or all of God's angels in heav'n for to sing, he surely could have it, 'cause he was the King.

I wonder as I wander out under the sky, how Jesus the Savior did come for to die. For poor on'ry people like you and like I...I wonder as I wander out under the sky.

Carol

O Little Town of Bethlehem



Lesson Two Isaiah 52:7-10 Blake/Tavener

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, "Your God is King!"

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry, together they shout for joy, for they see directly, before their eyes, the LORD restoring Zion.
Break out together in song,
O ruins of Jerusalem!
For the LORD comforts his people, he redeems Jerusalem.
The LORD has bared his holy arm in the sight of all the nations; all the ends of the earth will behold

the salvation of our God.

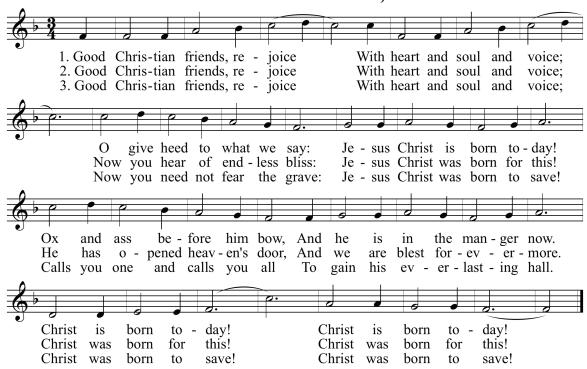
Choral The Lamb

Little Lamb who made thee, dost thou know who made thee? Gave thee life & bid thee feed by the stream and o'er the mead; Gave thee clothing of delight, softest clothing wooly bright; Gave thee such a tender voice, making all the vales rejoice! Little Lamb who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee?

Little Lamb I'll tell thee, Little Lamb I'll tell thee!
He is called by thy name for he calls himself a Lamb:
He is meek & he is mild, he became a little child:
I a child & thou a lamb, we are called by his name.
Little Lamb God bless thee. Little Lamb God bless thee.

Carol

Good Christian Friends Rejoice



Lesson Three

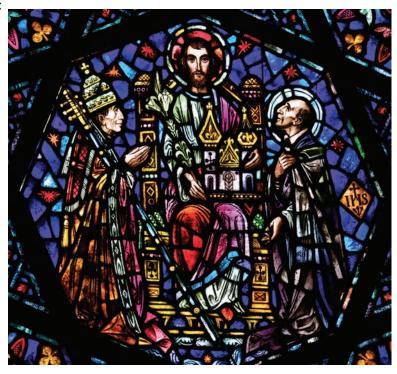
Isaiah 11:1-2, 6, 9

A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him:
 a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD, and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD.

Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; The calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them.

There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea.



But a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him. The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.

Who is that fat child? The one who never cries?
He has his mother's skin, but where did he get his eyes?
And why do they praise him, these men who seem so wise.
Is he the blossom of the bud on the tree of Jesse?

Though the bud shall bloom amidst fields of thorns,
And the winds of time shall ravage the blossom,
The Spirit of the Lord shall not be forgotten. The Spirit of the Lord shall not be forgotten.

Who is that man-child? The one they call the Son?
We've waited for so long, he could not be the one.
The one to bring the light of hope, where till now, there is none.
Is he the blossom of the bud on the tree of Jesse?

From the bud that grows on the tree of Jesse, shall spring the Kingdom of all souls united. The Spirit Of the Lord shall live on forever. The Spirit Of the Lord shall live on forever.

He could not be that child, the one they prophesy
He seems such a plain child, but I've never seen him cry,
Still Kings and shepherds all praise him, I wonder why.
Is he the blossom on the bud of the stump of Jesse?



Carol

It Came Upon A Midnight Clear



Lesson Four

Denise Levertov

It's when we face for a moment
the worst our kind can do, and shudder to know
the taint in our own selves, that awe
crack's the mind's shell and enters the heart:
not to a flower, not to a dolphin,
to no innocent form
but to this creature vainly sure
it and no other is god-like, God
(out of compassion for our ugly
failure to evolve) entrusts,
as guest, as brother,
the Word.

John 1:1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God.

All things came to be through him, and without him, nothing came to be.

What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shined in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him.

He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him.

But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth.



Choral

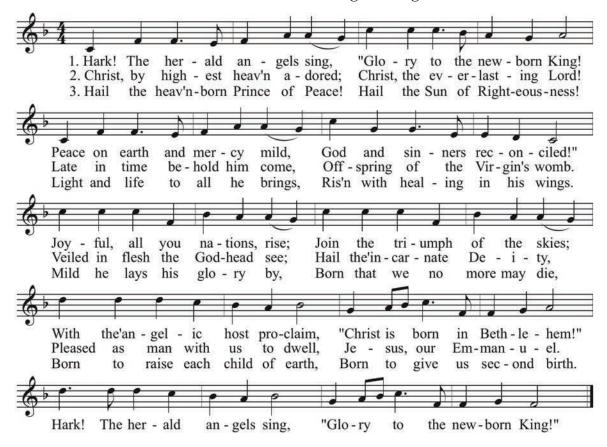
O Magnum Mysterium

Victoria

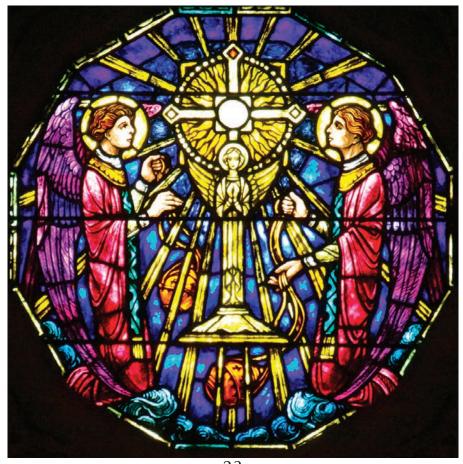
O magnum mysterium, et admirabile sacramentum, ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, iacentem in praesepio! Beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Iesum Christum. Alleluia!

> O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament, that animals should see the new-born Lord lying in a manger! Blessed is the Virgin whose womb was worthy to bear the Lord, Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Hark The Herald Angels Sing



Closing Prayer



The Nativity of the Lord

Mass in the Night 24 December 2018 10:30 pm

Martyrology



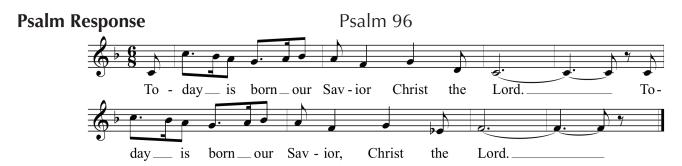
Gloria Christmas Gloria Laginya



- We praise you,
 we bless you,
 we adore you,
 we glorify you,
 we give you thanks for your great glory,
 Lord God, heavenly King,
 O God, almighty Father.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
- you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading Isaiah 9:1-6

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing, as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, as people make merry when dividing spoils. For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames. For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne, and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgment and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!



Second Reading Titus 2:11-14

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

Gospel Acclamation

Christmastime Alleluia

Chepponis



Holy Gospel Luke 2:1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

Homily

Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

I saw a fair mayden sytten and sing: She lulled a lytel childe, a sweete Lording...

Refrain: Lullay myn lyking, my dere Sonne, my Sweeting; Lullay my dere herte, myn own dere derling.

That same Lord is He that made alle thing;
Of alle lordis He is Lord, of alle kingys Kyng. Lullay myn lyking . . .

There was mickle melody at that childes birth:
All that were in heavenly bliss, they made mickle mirth. Lullay myn lyking . . .

Angels bright sang their song to that Chyld. "Blyssid be thou and so be she so meek and so mild." *Lullay myn lyking* . . .



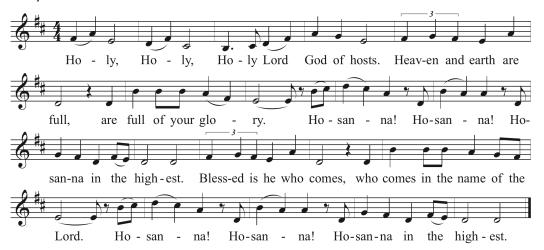
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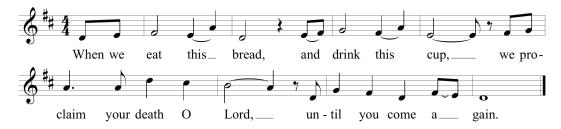


Mass of Christ the Savior

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Mystery of Faith



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Lamb Of God

Choral: From the Mass for Midnight

Charpentier

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Communion Songs Choral: All My Heart This Night Rejoices

Ebeling

All my heart this night rejoices, as I hear, far and near, sweetest angel voices; "Christ is born," their choirs are singing, Till the air, everywhere, Now with joy is ringing.

Hark! a voice from yonder manger, soft and sweet, doth entreat, "Flee from woe and danger; Brethren, come; from all that grieves you. You are freed; all you need I will surely give you."

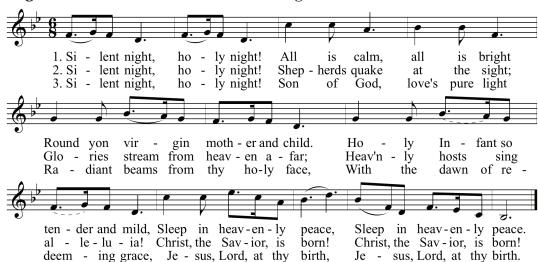
Come, then, let us hasten yonder; here let all, great and small, kneel in awe and wonder, Love Him Who with love is yearning; hail the star that from far bright with hope is burning.

Thee, dear Lord, with heed I'll cherish; live to Thee and with Thee, dying, shall not perish; But shall dwell with Thee forever, far on high, in the joy that can alter never.



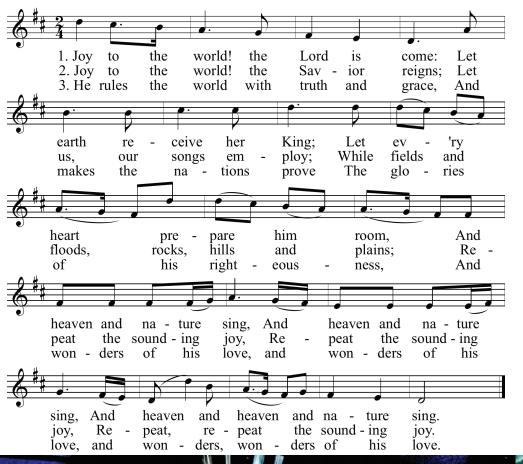
Candlelighting

Silent Night



Recessional

Joy To the World



28

The Nativity of the Lord

Mass in the Day 25 December 2018 10 am

Pre-Mass Carols Cantor: Sweet Little Boy Jesus

Niles

Sweet little boy Jesus in manger so low, sweet little boy Jesus, we never did know. You were a God and a friend of ours too, sweet little boy Jesus, we never knew.

No place for the Mother, no place for the Son, no place to rest the newly birthed one. See how the shepherd did seek out a shed and make in the manger the Christ-Child a bed.

The ox and the sheep stand silently by, while angels carolin' did fill up the sky! The folk in the village slept silently on, not knowing that this was the birth of God's Son.

Sweet little boy Jesus in manger so low, sweet little boy Jesus, we never did know. You were a God and a friend of ours too, sweet little boy Jesus, we never knew.

Hark The Herald Angels Sing

- Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
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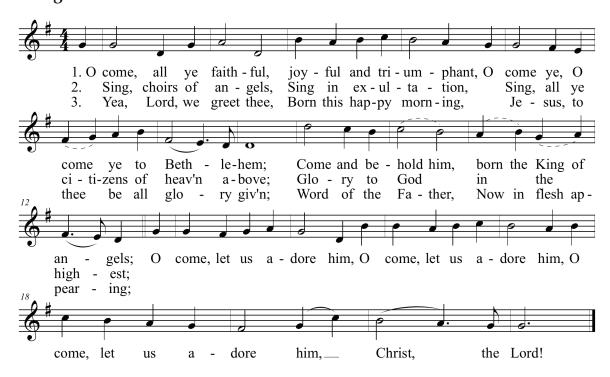
Silent Night

- Silent night, Holy night, All is calm, all is bright
 Round yon virgin, mother and child, Holy infant, tender and mild
 Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.
- 2. Silent night, Holy night, Son of God, love's pure light Radiant beams from thy holy face With the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus, Lord at thy birth.
- 3. Silent night, Holy night, Shepherds quake, at the sight Glories stream from heaven above, Heavenly, hosts sing Hallelujah. Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

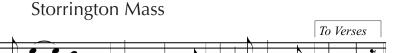


Entrance Song

O Come All Ye Faithful



Gloria

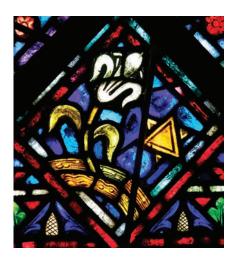


Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.



- We praise you,
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 Lord God, heavenly King,
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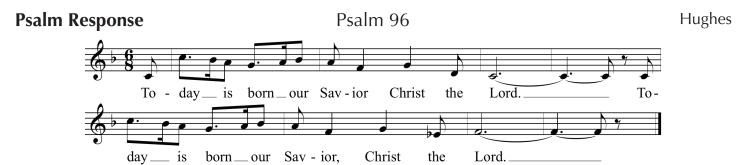


Haugen

First Reading Isaiah 52:7-10

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Second Reading Hebrews 1:1-6

Brothers and sisters: In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe, who is the refulgence of his glory, the very imprint of his being, and who sustains all things by his mighty word. When he had accomplished purification from sins, he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, as far superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say: You are my son; this day I have begotten you? Or again: I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me? And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says: Let all the angels of God worship him.

Gospel Acclamation

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Holy Gospel John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be. What came to be through him was life, and this life was the light of the human race; the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came to be through him, but the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, but his own people did not accept him.

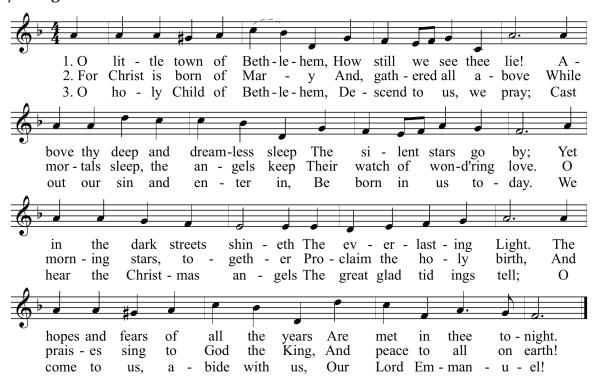
But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'" From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side, has revealed him.

Homily

Julian Climaco, S.J.

Offertory Song

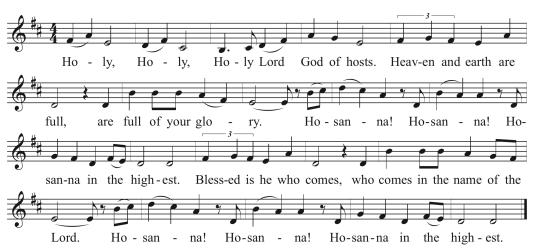
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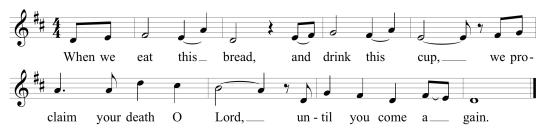
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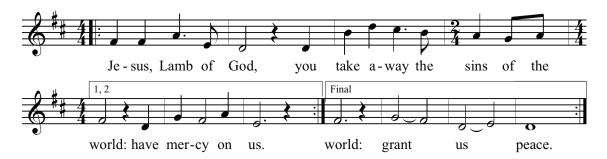
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Cantor: Wexford Carol

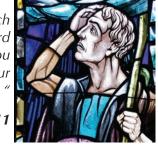
Good people all, this Christmas time, consider well and bear in mind what our good God for us has done In sending his beloved son. With Mary holy we should pray, To God with love this Christmas Day In Bethlehem upon that morn, There was a blessed Messiah born.



A Shepherd's Prayer

In the countryside close by there were shepherds who lived in the fields and took turns to watch their flocks during the night. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone round them. They were terrified, but the angel said, "Do not be afraid. Listen, I bring you news of great joy, a joy to be shared by the whole people. Today in the town of David a saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord."

-Luke 2:8-11



In the darkened season of this cold, old earth, when we, doubters and mourners one and all, had almost resigned ourselves to a grey and frozen world, You broke upon us, like a sudden dawn, which splits the low-hung clouds and baptizes in beauty, all the hills and valleys, which just a moment before had seemed so dull.

Though long-expected, you surprised us still, and we were taken, whole, without a shot, without a sword unsheathed, without resistance: we gave way. And our poor hearts, chilled and challenged, opened to the grace of Life made flesh, to the joy of Promise come into the world.

Far from that day was the suffering yet to come, the abandonment and wounds, the silent cross. And if they were foreshadowed, we could only sense the light, and feel that sudden grace that filled our world; we, who sat so long as exiles on those hills, heard the songs of angels come to us—and moved beyond our many fears, we came and offered adoration, to One like us, a child of poverty, abundantly loved and loving, through whom God now and always will abide. Amen.



Monday (Parish Center Closed)

7:00 AM Mass - in the Arrupe Room

Tuesday (Parish Center Closed) 10:00 AM Christmas Morning Mass

Wednesday (Parish Center Closed)

7:00 AM Mass

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

Morning Mass

Sunday 9:00 AM

Saturday

Friday

7:00 AM

3:00 PM

5:00 PM

9:00 AM Mass

10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join us!

Vigil Mass

Weekly Reconciliation

Mass

11:00 AM Mass 5:30 PM Mass

Faith Formation



Faith Justice



Liturgy & Worship



St. Joseph School



Parish Life

We Are St. Joseph

For more than a century, the community of St. Joseph Parish has been an example of God's presence in the world. *Ignited by the Eucharist to love & serve*, we are called to a passionate and personal relationship with God and our world.

Today, our parish is home to more than 1800 families and a second home to even more friends. Nearly 1/3 of our parishioners are active volunteers in our ministries, contributing both time and talent to our 3 dozen ministries, undertaken to serve those in our parish and to the elderly, ill, and needy in our area. Our parish school forms 600+ children from kindergarten through 8th grade. Our religious education and youth program ministers to nearly 350 families.

Week after week, Sunday after Sunday, hundreds of people gather here to pray and then go forth from this beautiful place to live their Christian faith. In welcoming you here today, we invite you to become a part of the life and mission of St. Joseph by joining us for Sunday Mass and, if possible, by involving yourself in one of the many ministries and activities that are the hallmark of St. Joseph.

We look forward to getting to know you better. Email welcome@stjosephparish.org for more information.

Explore And Get Involved In The Ministries of St. Joseph

A snapshot of how the Gospel is lived out year-round at St. Joseph Parish.

To get involved, call 206-324-2522 or visit www.stjosephparish.org for more information.

Liturgy & Worship

The parish community of St. Joseph gathers together to pray and worship throughout the liturgical year. Prayer, especially the celebration of the Eucharist, binds our community together to give honor and glory to God and to recognize the real presence of Christ and the Spirit in one another.

Daily Mass - Start your day with Holy Mass! Stop by the Parish Center at 7 am and introduce yourself. We look forward to seeing you. For more information, contact Peter Wurmbauer at dailymass@stjosephparish.org

Eucharistic Ministers - This ministry is open to all youth and adults who love the Eucharist, have been confirmed, and who strive to show Christ's love in their daily living. For more information and to become part of this important ministry, please contact team captain Mary Sepulveda at eucharisticministers@stjosephparish.org

Lectors - Lectoring is a ministry of proclamation, giving strong voice to the Word of God found in Sacred Scripture, and announcing the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass. For more information and to become part of this important ministry, contact the lector coordinator, Jessica Smits, at lectors@stjosephparish.org

Ushers - Ushers greet people warmly, introduce strangers, help people sit together, distribute worship aids, provide hearing assisted devices and offer hospitality. For more information or to become a part of this important ministry, please contact usher captain Bruce Mirkin at ushers@stjosephparish.org or (206) 391-6155.

Choir - Choir rehearses Thursday evenings from 7-9 pm and sings at the 9 am Mass on Sunday mornings as well as some holy days and the liturgies around Christmas and Triduum/Easter. The choir is open to singers who are high school age or older. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact Robert McCaffery-Lent, Pastoral Assistant for Music and Liturgy, at rmclent@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1649.

Children's Choir - The St. Joseph Children's Choir "Joyful Voices" sings the 9 am mass three or four times a year, and at the 4 pm Mass on Christmas Eve, with two after school rehearsals before each mass. All school age children are welcome, as long as they are able to focus on singing through rehearsal and Mass. Parents

of younger kids may need to sit with them and help them through the music. To sign up or for more information, please contact Jen or Matt Tilghman-Havens at childrenschoir@stjosephparish.org.

Prayer Groups

There are myriad opportunities to take part in the prayer and devotional life at St. Joseph apart from Sunday liturgies.

Centering Prayer - We meet the first, third and fifth Saturdays of each month from 8:00 to 9:30 am for prayer, information, and sharing in the Brebeuf Room on the lower level of the Parish Center. For more information, please contact Tracy Bier at centeringprayer@stjosephparish.org

Rosary Groups - We are blessed to have two regularly meeting Rosary groups here at St. Joseph. The Holy Rosary Group meets each Monday from 7 to 8 pm in the Parish Center Loyola Chapel. The Holy Hour Rosary Group meets each first Thursday of the month from 7 to 8 pm in the Loyola Chapel. Each gathering is usually followed by a reception and an opportunity to spend time together. Please contact Tom Cannon and Jackie Quinn for more information by emailing rosary@stjosephparish.org

Sacred Silence - We gather in the church, unless there's a conflict, on Monday nights at 7 pm and end at 8 pm. Time is spent in silent prayerful sitting and walking. It is a peaceful retreat from the busyness and distractions of the day. For additional information on Sacred Silence or silent prayer, please email Jim Hoover at sacredsilence@ stjosephparish.org or call (206) 286-0313.

St. Joseph School

St. Joseph School is one of the largest Catholic grade schools on the West Coast. Key to the school's success is the participation of the School Commission, a consultative body that advises and supports the Head of School and Pastor on matters pertaining to the school. This last year, the School Commission published its strategic plan - *A New Messina* (referring to the first Jesuit school) - and began its next steps in the progress of this major parish ministry. To learn more about the school and ways to get involved, please reach out to the Head of School, Patrick Fennessy.

Parish Life Ministries

Grouped around some commonality of life experience, our Parish Life ministries provide places and times where we can grow and share our faith lives through active participation in community, social events and retreats.

Men's Ministry - Each year our Men's Ministry organizes a number of great events that provide opportunities for prayer and reflection and supportive discussions. These gatherings will charge the batteries of our faith and are always a lot of fun. For additional information, email men@stjosephparish.org

Women's Ministry - For women who seek a deeper relationship with God and with one another through spirituality, fellowship, knowledge, and service in action. We welcome all women seeking the path of God. For more information, email women@stjosephparish.org

LGBTQ Ministry - For LBGTQ identified members of St. Joseph Parish who seek community and fellowship. We seek to grow and explore our spirituality through education, formation, prayer and service. For more information, email Theresa at lgbt@stjosephparish.org

Young Adult Ministry - Looking for community? A place to discuss faith and life with others? Our Young Adult Community focuses on building spirituality, friendship, and creating social, spiritual, and service opportunities. For more information, email Tom Sutton & Sabrina Fordyce at youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

Seniors On The Go - Join us in the many ways we celebrate our community life together, including the *Aging Gracefully* support group the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Call Mary Ott at 206-324-7459 or Dolores Dorn 206-322-2259 or email seniors@stjosephparish.org

Prayer Shawl Group - Founded by a group of parishioners wishing to come together in community to knit or crochet prayer shawls for those in need of comfort and healing. Our monthly gatherings are a time to share, pray, reflect, rejoice, and learn from one another. For more information, please email Sheila at prayershawl-group@stjosephparish.org

We Are St. Joseph Events Ministry - Parish-wide events celebrating our community and open to both family and friends include: St. Patrick's Day Celebration, March 9, 2019; and We Are St. Joseph Service Days & Celebration Dinner, May 18th & 19, 2019, and St. Joseph Parish Picnic, September 2019. To volunteer contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org.

CYO Sports program - Opportunities for the youth of St. Joseph Parish and St. Joseph School to participate in various sports activities in a safe, well organized, and properly supervised program; and to develop skills, self discipline, and attitudes of sportsmanship based on the Christian principles of fair play and teamwork. CYO sports at St. Joseph are offered under the umbrella of the Archdiocese of Seattle and teams compete against other Catholic schools in the greater Seattle area. For more information about CYO, please check out the St. Joseph School website: www.stjosephsea.org or contact Robert Hayes at 206-329-3260, Ext 216.

Funeral Hospitality Ministry - Planning the details for the funeral of a loved one can be difficult. Our team exists to help lighten that burden. As part of our loving concern for the life of the community here, our ministry team provides assistance in the planning and hosting of a reception after funeral services. We are always in need of helpful and friendly assistance. For information, please don't hesitate to contact Mary Ott at funeralhospitality@stjosephparish.org or 206-324-7459.

For more information about any of our Parish Life Ministries, please contact KerriLyn Vander Heyden or Joseph Laber chairs of our Parish Life Commission, at parishlife@stjosephparish.org



Faith Formation

As a parish, St. Joseph nurtures intellectual curiosity, emotional maturity, and spiritual formation in all its members, while also seeking to foster a respectful dialogue with the culture-at-large and other religious traditions.

Children's Faith Formation

Baptism - Baptism is the first of three sacraments of initiation into the Catholic Church. St. Joseph celebrates this sacrament through sessions and weekend liturgical celebrations throughout the year. For information on infant baptisms or for older children, contact Marie Pitman at mariep@stjosephparish.org, and for adults, contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org (See RCIC below).

Children's Faith Formation - Raising a family takes love, effort, time, and community, and we work to provide dynamic faith formation experiences here at St. Joseph. Children's faith formation begins in the home and we are here to support families' faith heritage through our sessions and family-centered activities.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Adapted for Children (RCIC) - Children who have not yet been baptized by the age of seven years old receive full initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist) into the church during the Easter season. Children participate in preparation sessions as a group to learn about the Catholic faith. Parents and godparents are an active part of the child's faith formation during this time. Begins in the New Year.

Altar Servers - For young people 5th-8th grade interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Fr. Julian Climaco at jclimaco@stjosephparish.org to reserve a spot in the next training

Pathfinders Youth Group - Pathfinders has brought together hundreds of youth on Wednesday evenings to form friendships and promote awareness of those in need through the lens of spirituality. Pathfinders is open to all 6th, 7th and 8th graders in our community and meets weekly on Wednesday nights from 6-7:30 pm in the Parish Center. For more information, email pathfinders@stjosephparish.org

High School Confirmation - The sacrament of Confirmation is offered annually beginning with classes in early fall followed by the Confirmation Mass in winter. High school students must be 14 years of age, baptized and received Eucharist, and actively seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The VOICE Youth Group - The VOICE is open to all high school age students interested in exploring their lives and spirituality more deeply – and just having some fun! This group meets once a week; on Wednesday nights from 7-8:30 pm at the Parish Center. For more information, email theresal@stjosephparish.org

Adult Faith Formation

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) - We are blessed with a fantastic Rite of Christian Initiation process at St. Joseph. Through RCIA, adults enter into our Catholic community. Trusting that each participant's journey of faith and spirituality is a lifetime endeavor, RCIA initiates those who desire to enter fully into the Church, through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

Bible Study – Catholics have a deep relationship with scripture academically, devotionally, and liturgically. We offer a number of scripture studies that balance content and personal reflection throughout the year. Check out our ongoing online bible study on our website.

Prayer and Spirituality - Instruction on types of prayer & an opportunity to actively experience prayer at the parish. Please check the bulletin for more information throughout the year.

Related Works - The journey of faith and spirituality continues after entry into the Church and so we embrace a variety of groups, programs, and organizations that assist us in bringing light and grace into our lives. These include the Ignatian Spirituality Center and its spiritual direction services and programs, IPJC and the Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life (SEEL).

Core Beliefs & Practices – We provide in depth instruction on the basic teaching of our faith; beginning with the Creed, Christology, the sacraments, Catholic social teaching, Mary & the Saints, and Church Councils.

For more information about Faith Formation programs at St. Joseph, please contact Marie Pitman at mariep@ stjosephparish.org or Theresa Lukasik at theresal@ st.josephparish.org

Faith Justice

For more than a hundred years, St. Joseph Parish has served the greater community of Seattle in countless ways. Beginning with our own parish and growing out of the Gospel call to love God and to love neighbor, we have sought right relationship in companionship with each other.

Annual Events - Each year, the Faith Justice ministries of St. Joseph Parish team up with our Outreach Partners to offer four signature service events: the Alternative Bazaar happens each November; the Giving Tree is a annual opportunity for members of the parish to experience the goodness of giving during the Christmas Season; the Epiphany Dinner celebrates the end of Christmas by bringing together parishioners, Outreach Partners, and neighbors from all over Seattle; the Spring Service Days provide parishioners opportunites to make a difference in our community and gather together for our Spring Celebration Dinner.

Dialogue For Justice - The Dialogue for Justice is an Archdiocesan-wide initiative to strengthen Catholic advocacy on behalf of poor and vulnerable people in our communities. The goal of the Dialogue for Justice is to partner with parishes and Catholic organizations to effectively advocate to reduce poverty in our communities through educating grassroots advocates, convening advocacy gatherings, providing legislative briefings, coordinating and supporting in-district meetings with legislators, encouraging participation in Catholic Advocacy Day, and providing advocacy resources to parishes and groups. For more information, email stevew@stjosephparish.org

Sister Parish - As we approach our 30th year in relationship with San Bartolomé Parish in El Salvador, our sister parish committee continues to build bonds between our communities. Areas of focus include addressing the root issues of poverty and emigration to the United States. To get involved, please email Daniel Stoner at sisterparish@stjosephparish.org

St. Martin de Porres Meals - Each Saturday of the month, St. Joseph parishioners and volunteers make and serve sandwiches, boiled eggs, fruit and milk for 212 homeless men. We have five teams of 20-25 people for each Saturday of the month. Please contact us at stevew@ stjosephparish.org and we will be happy to welcome you to this ministry.

Winter Overnight Shelter - The St. Joseph Winter Shelter provides overnight shelter and "meal bags" for fourteen homeless men, age 50 and older, five nights a week from October through April. The program tries to offer a night's rest in an environment of dignity, respect and safety. Shelter volunteers are men and women of all ages, special people who aren't afraid to face a population and a life style that might be different then their own. To volunteer, contact Taffy McCormick at wintershelter@stjosephparish.org

St. Vincent de Paul - The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference at St. Joseph Parish serves the poor by making in-home visits, listening to those in need and providing support as resources allow. The generous donations of St. Joseph parishioners, collected after Masses on the first Sunday of each month, provide the means by which we can help people in need with food, clothing, rent, bus fare and utility bills. We have no overhead expenses, so 100% of donations help the people we visit. If you would like to attend a meeting or are interested in learning more about the society, please email Dennis West at svdp@stjosephparish.org

Outreach Partners - St. Joseph nurtures our great relationships with outside organizations that work to support people in need. Many St. Joseph parishioners have found that working with these organizations have given them new understandings of their faith and the world. Organizations include: Chief Seattle Club, WestSide Baby, Habitat for Humanity, Jubilee Women's Center, L'Arche, Noel House, Peace for the Streets by Kids from the Streets (PSKS), Bloodworks NW, Recovery Cafe, St. Francis House, Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center, Shirts Across America, St. Mary's Food Bank, and St. Martin de Porres.

For more information about any of our Faith Justice Ministries, please contact Terry Earls, chair of our Faith Justice Commission, at faithjustice@stjosephparish.org



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Seniors On The Go

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.

St. Vincent de Paul **Collection** January 5 & 6



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 7 pm in the parish center to discuss White Fragility by Robin DiAngelo. 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.



Prayer St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: Grateful for the gift of Jesus Christ in our lives who shows us the way out of darkness into the light.

> "What came to be though him was life, And this life was the light of the human race; The light shines in the darkness And the darkness has not overcome it."

> > ~John 1:4-5

Young Adult Ministry

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 Soulful Soups will be 7 p.m. on: 1/7, 1/21 in the Parish Center Arrupe Room. For details, contact Callie at youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

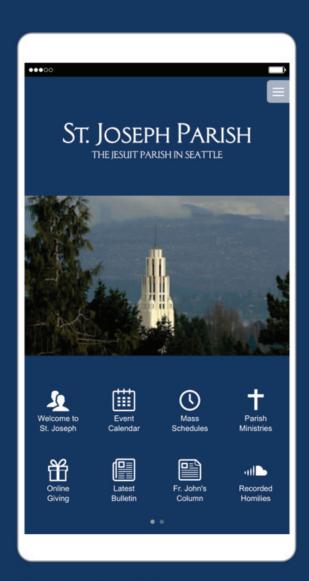
Bible Study

Join the Young Adult Bible Study as we study the Gospel of St. Luke for 9 weeks. Our first meeting will be January 3rd! We will wrap up before Lent on February 28th. Plan to meet for dinner at 6:30 pm with discussion beginning at 7:00 and ending promptly at 8:30. Please email Sabrina at spopoff@spu.edu to RSVP and for more details!

St. Joseph Epiphany Dinner

On Sunday, January 6, 2019, from 1-4 pm in the Social Hall, we'll open our doors to anyone in the community for a shared meal and fellowship. We extend a personal invitation to all of our "Outreach Partners," such as Recovery Café, St. Martin de Porres Shelter, Chief Seattle Club, Noel House, and Jubilee Women's Center, to name a few. Transportation will be provided from several locations downtown. As is our tradition, we invite members of our community to provide cooked turkeys, hams, vegetables, potatoes, beverages, desserts and appetizers. Volunteers are needed for food prep, cooking, decorating, table hosting and clean-up. Sign-ups are super-easy! Visit PerfectPotluck.com and locate the meal by coordinator last name (Wodzanowski) and password (Epiphany). Sign-up by entering your name, email & phone number for the item you would like to bring. You can also sign-up after Mass. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Questions? Please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

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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.

