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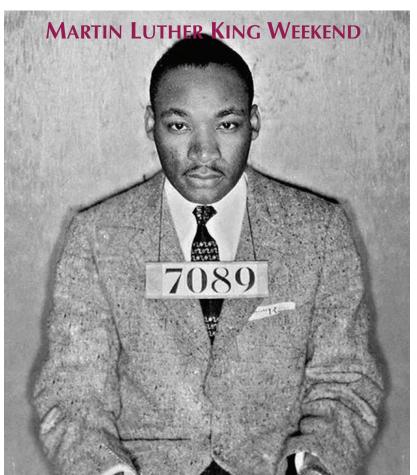
THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

"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."



















SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 20, 2019

Homily This Week: Deacon Steve Wodzanowski Reflection Next Week: Patrick Fennessy

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

Readings for January 27, 2019

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 8-10 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27 Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Weekday Mass Schedule Monday - Friday, 7 am, Parish Center Reconciliation

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

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The Gifts of the Kingdom

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

-Isaiah 62: 1-

In the late 1950's, our nation remained a largely segregated society. Sometimes from the deep malice of hatred, but often simply from the institutional blindness of custom, blacks and whites lived lives scarred by a maleficent hierarchy: where black women and men, once kept as chattel, were still bound to consider the attitudes of whites, but whites lived with little consideration of blacks. Even in the wake of Brown v. Board of Education—which overturned the doctrine of "separate but equal" in education—many continued to see racism as part of the natural order, as though the front of the bus had been ordained forever as the region of whites and the back the preordained home of other races. So it was that when a slight young woman on her way home from work refused to "take her place" at the back of a bus in Montgomery, Alabama, it seemed not just an act of disobedience but an assault upon the very order of the world. And so it was. Yet, from this small but courageous moment began the non-violent movement for Civil Rights.

When Rosa Parks held her ground on that Montgomery bus, she knew that her role was not to lead the nation to a new awareness of race and rights, but to point to the heart of a profound injustice; to identify in her own gentle but definitive way, the need for liberation for all people of color. She was to be the occasion by which God might respond through the life and ministry of others. And from the unwillingness of Rosa Parks to remain silent and accept oppression, arose the ministry of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; from her determination not to be guiet, arose the transformative movement of vindication we celebrate this weekend. Hers was not the ministry of leadership—she was not called to be a great public speaker nor the public voice of a mass movement, she was not a lawyer nor a preacher, not an orator nor a firebrand—but without her fidelity, without her living out her ministry of summons, there may have been no Martin Luther King, and perhaps no civil rights movement as we saw it unfold. Rosa and Martin had different gifts, that worked in different ways, but as St. Paul says, it was "the same God who produces all of them in everyone" (1Cor 12:4). Only when the varied gifts of God work together can the fullness of the Spirit of God be manifested in the world.

It is easy, I think, to identify the ministry of others—to see in the life of the missionary or the volunteer working in the slums of Calcutta, or in the silent prayer of the Carmelite nun, the unfolding of God's plan. It is easy, usually in retrospect, to see God's work in the great social advocates and reformers: in Rosa Parks or Martin King, in Oscar Romero or Theresa of Calcutta. But the Son of God does not come into the world to establish a few small clusters of ministry; God does not take flesh to set up some kind of a "ministers' union" to which a few belong as card-carrying members, and from whom the rest of us simply receive services.

On the contrary, Christ comes into the world to call each one of us to that unique ministry that our times and our personality requires of us and us alone. Christ Jesus—who himself held no priestly office, no rabbinical degree—comes that we might be set free from the small vision that imprisons the Spirit who lives in our hearts. Christ comes to overthrow any ideology—clericalism or racism, sexism or quietism—that keeps us

from expressing the gifts of the Spirit given to us for the common good. To proclaim the gospel, to preach the message of liberation and vindication belongs not just to the priest or the prophet, the missionary or the volunteer, the pastoral staffer or the catechist, but to the person we see in the mirror each morning. For each of us has been marvelously made as a minister of the gospel, possessed of some wonderful "manifestation of the Spirit . . .given for some benefit" (1Cor. 12, 6). Indeed, it is only when we practice this ministry as a community of spiritually alive and active persons in the ordinariness of our world—only when we live out the gifts we are given and let the Spirit move through our lives—that the fullness of the Incarnation of Christ is realized, and the Kingdom of Christ can occur. This is the lesson of the gospels, renewed in every generation, and profoundly important for us to grasp today.

Far too often in our world, people who profess themselves to be Christian distort the fullness of the gospel by turning Jesus into a lonely hero, who singularly understands and proclaims the salvation of God. In this vision, all others become not just subjects of Christ the King, but slaves and servants, who have no role in the proclamation or building of the Kingdom. It is all God's work, and we are simply to pray for it to happen. But if Christ Jesus is the one true Son of God, he is not alone in the work of God, for we—as Jesus himself declares—are his friends, and as Paul notes, he is but the first of many sisters and brothers. To deny the role of human beings in the work of salvation—i.e., to give ourselves a pass from the labor of love and mercy into which we have been called—is the worst kind of heresy, since it both denies the power of the Incarnation and defeats the very call to discipleship that was at the center of Jesus' life.

The truth of the gospel is that each of us, in the midst of our ordinary lives, is called to assist Jesus in the work of establishing the reign of God—some by sitting still when injustice would have us move, others by speaking out when injustice would keep us silent, all of us by acting in communion with our brothers and sisters who need our love and the gifts we bring.

In this week's gospel, we hear the story of the wedding feast at Cana, and we can be tempted to think that the miracle by which Jesus changes water into wine is merely a confirmation of his power as the Son of God. But such a reading fails to recognize that it is not Jesus alone, but Jesus through the ministry of others that the wedding feast is saved. It is Jesus' mother who tells him of the shortage of wine, aware (as mothers so often are) of the potential shame that running out of wine might cause the family. Thus, she comes to Jesus and calls upon him, persistent in her request even in the face of his apparent rejection— "Woman, how does your concern affect me?" The mother of Jesus is unwavering in her trust in God's goodness, and so prepares the servants and instructs them, "Do whatever he tells you." She knows her son; she understands that he will not refuse the grace for which she prays. Like Rosa

Parks, the mother of Jesus demonstrates a ministry of summons, without which Jesus' (or King's) ministry of action would be impossible. Her role is to call upon the mercy and love of Jesus, and to prepare others to receive his direction, even if that means she might be embarrassed, unless God is faithful to her. And it is in response to her faith and to the need that she identifies, that Jesus acts—the Son of God abandoning his own timetable to accept the call of the Spirit given him in the ministry of his mother.

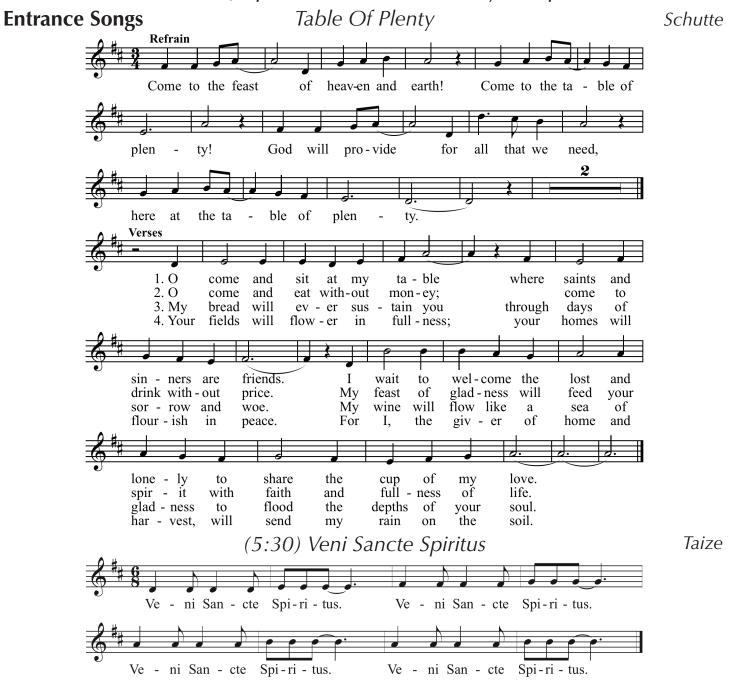
The response of Jesus to the call of Mary reminds us of the dramatic effect we are invited to have in our own ministry; it reminds us of the power of lived prayer to move a God who has willingly become subject to our need, subject to our call; it reminds us that each act of ministry, each moment when we allow the Spirit to move through us, begins a chain of ministry, in which others are likewise invited to take up their own roles of service and celebration. Responding to his mother, Jesus acts not on his own, not as the hero-god who does what he wants when he wants it, but as a minister in cooperation with the work of others: the servers, the headwaiter, and finally even the bridegroom. No, the Spirit that flows through Jesus is not a spirit of isolated heroism— Jesus is no Lone Ranger—rather, the Holy Spirit is a Spirit of inclusion and of varied gifts, a Spirit that envelops a whole community in the great abundance of its call, "distributing them," as St. Paul says, "to each person."

In these days, when so many things tempt us to despair and hopelessness—from the years of war in Afghanistan to the sea of refugees on our border, from the persistence and evil of clericalism to the continuing death of young black men by police—we may begin to believe that the Spirit has left us and we must fend for ourselves. We may be tempted by demagogues who promise to save the day and make us great again. Or we may feel that violent revolution and the destruction of "them" is what we need. Or we may simply want to curl up in a corner, anesthetized by celebrity profiles and the numbing power of things.

Yet, we must oppose all of these temptations and, more than ever, we must cling to the gospel and to the example of those who have lived it in good times and in bad. This Martin Luther King Weekend, let us realize that we celebrate not one man's gifts, but the Spirit that moved in Rosa Parks when she sat down, as well as in Martin Luther King when he stood up. We celebrate the Spirit that moved in the heart of Mary, as well as through the hands of Jesus. We celebrate the Spirit that moves in each one of our lives: in all the day-to-day acts of service and love, in all the quiet prayers that rise up from our hearts and the shouted protests that ring out in our streets. We celebrate a Spirit that transforms the ordinary water of our lives into a rich, sweet abundance of wine; and a Spirit that then transforms this wine into the very blood of Christ, given into our hands—all of our hands—given for the life of the world. John of

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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



Gloria

See Cards In Pews

First Reading

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.

Isaiah 62:1-5

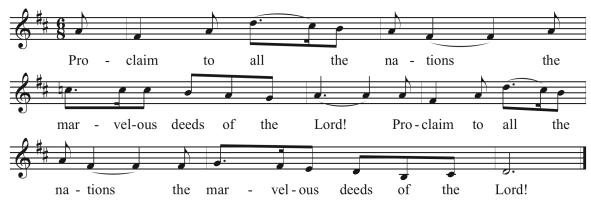
No more shall people call you "Forsaken," or your land "Desolate," but you shall be called "My Delight," and your land "Espoused."

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 96



- 1. Sing to the Lord a new song. Sing to the Lord all you lands! Sing to the Lord with all your heart, and bless God's name!
- 2. Announce salvation day by day, God's glory throughout the earth! Among all the people in ev'ry land, God's wondrous deeds!
- 3. Give to the Lord, you nations, praise to the Lord of all! Sing glory and praise and sing to the name, above all names!
- 4. Worship the Lord, and tremble, proclaim the one who reigns! Say to the nations: 'The Lord is King;' who rules with justice!

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Brothers and sisters: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another, faith by the same Spirit; to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another, mighty deeds; to another, prophecy; to another, discernment of spirits; to another, varieties of tongues; to another, interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.



God has called us through the Gospel to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do

whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from —although the servers who had drawn the water knew—, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.

Deacon Steve Wodzanowski



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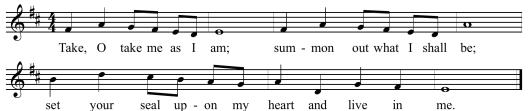
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(5:30) Take, O Take Me As I Am







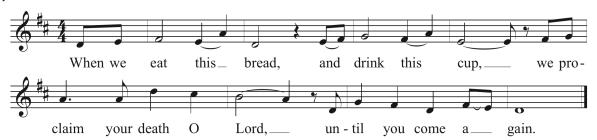
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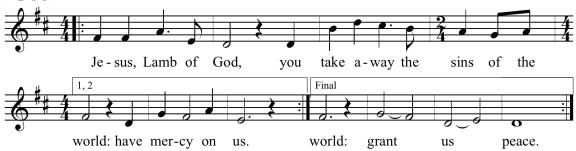
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Mystery of Faith



Lamb of God



All Are Invited To Come Forward

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

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







Song Of Praise

We Shall Overcome

Spiritual

- 1. We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome, someday. Oh, deep in my heart I do believe we shall overcome someday.
- 2. We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand someday. Oh, deep in my heart I do believe that we'll walk hand in hand someday.
- 3. The truth will make us free. The truth will make us free. The truth will make us free today. Oh, deep in my heart I do believe the truth will make us free today.

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This Week At St. Joseph

Sunday 9:00 AM Mass 10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts - Join us! 11:00 AM Mass 5:30 PM Mass

Monday Parish Center Closed

7:00 AM Mass

7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer Group

7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Group

Tuesday

7:00 AM Mass

Wednesday

7:00 AM Mass

Thursday

7:00 AM Mass

Friday

7:00 AM Mass

Saturday

3:30 Reconciliation

5:00 PM Mass



FAITH JUSTICE

Racial Justice Book Group

The Racial Justice Book Group had a meaningful discussion of our last book, White Fragility. Please join other parishioners in our next meeting on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 7 pm in the Parish Center to discuss the book Just Like Us, The True Story of Four Mexican Girls Coming of Age in America by Helen Thorpe. Our group provides a safe and respectful place to address racism through the lens of the Gospel, and for discerning action steps in response. As the modern day prophet, Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "It is an unhappy truth that racism is a way of life for the vast majority of white Americans, spoken and unspoken, acknowledged and denied, subtle and sometimes not so subtle-the disease of racism permeates and poisons the whole body politic. And I see nothing more urgent than for America to work passionately and unrelentingly-to get rid of the disease of racism." 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.

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, call 206-965-1646 or email Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at stevew@stjosephparish.org

St. Joseph Prison Ministry Visit

MONROE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

Friday, February 8th and Friday, February 22nd
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 two weeks in advance. Space is limited. Contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

Bishops Letter On Racism

In November 2018 the Catholic bishops of the United States released a Pastoral Letter Against Racism called, *Open Wide Our Hearts*. The letter is a powerful invitation for all the people of God to "face courageously the vice of racism, . . . reach out generously to the victims of this evil, to assist the conversion needed in those who still harbor racism, and to begin to change policies and structures that allow racism to persist." At usccb.org/racism, you can read the entire letter, get new resources and find ideas for how we can respond.

St. James *The Detention Lottery*

January 24th at 7 pm - Cathedral Hall Join us for an immersive theatre experience set in a US immigration detention center. This is a dynamic and deeply moving play based on the direct experience of immigration attorneys from Seattle.

It gives you the opportunity to learn about how immigration court proceedings are handled, and the tough decisions lawyers and detainees must make.

Free. Please RSVP to Christopher Koehler, ckoehler@ stjamescathedral.org or 206.382.4511.

St. James Racial Justice Dialogue

Join us for the St. James Cathedral Racial Justice Dialogues, a five-week program for parishioners who desire to more deeply explore questions at the intersection of faith and racial justice. It starts on **Monday, January 21, 2019**. For information or to register go to: www. stjamescathedral/immigrant

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Thursday, February 7, 2019 Noon - 1:30 pm St. Joseph Parish Center Arrupe Room

Please RSVP to advancement@stjosephsea.org or 206.329.3260 x244









LITURGY AND WORSHIP

5:30 Mass Help

We are in dire need of at least 2-3 new Ushers to assist and support at the Sunday 5:30 pm Mass. This is typically a once per month commitment. If interested, please contact Brian Cruess at brian.cruess@gmail.com or Bruce Mirken at brucem@bluenile.com Thank you!



Prayer St. Joseph Community extends its prayers Tree and hopes for the following intentions: For Michael (17) who is in serious condition at the hospital, we pray for him, his family and his doctors . . . Thanksgiving for the many social service agencies that are mak-

ing a difference to people in need . . . For those who share their stories that give hope and encouragement, bless them . . . For friends, families and strangers who are suffering physically . . . For people who go the extra mile.

"I thank my God every time I remember you" ~Philippians 1:3

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.

Come Pray With Us! Monday Night Prayer Groups

Join us in prayer this Monday at 7 pm. There are two prayer groups meeting. Join our Sacred Silence prayer group in the Church or come pray the Rosary in the Parish Center Chapel.

The Sacred Silence prayer group will gather in the church for an hour of silent prayer. Please arrive before 7 pm as the doors are locked right at 7. For information, contact Jim Hoover at sacredsilence@stjosephparish.org or 206-286-0313.

Praying the Rosary can help us face the often harsh realities of life with hope and grace. We have volunteers ready to help guide those who are just learning.

Welcome The Newly Baptized

Francis Bellm Sophia Grigalunas **Gabriel Tomy**

Recorded Homilies

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

Online Bible Study

Did you know that St. Joseph's has an Online Bible Study with reflections written by Parishioners? This is the perfect opportunity to make a little space in your busy week to read and pray with the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday. Join our online community and allow your fellow parishioners to help deepen your prayer life through their reflections. You can also find our online bible study on the top of the weekly e-newsletter that is sent out on Thursday, just click the button that says "Online Bible Study".

https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.wordpress.com/

JESUIT SEATTLE





Cultivating a Life of Discernment: An Ignatian Way to Make Prayerful Decisions

6 Thursdays, January 24 - February 28, 2019 6:30 - 9:00 pm - St. Joseph Parish Center, Seattle

In this discernment series, you will build a foundation to listen to God in your life decisions. Through prayer, presentations, meaningful reflection and conversation, you will consider St. Ignatius' guidelines for discernment and apply the principles to your everyday life. Come learn how to cultivate a life that facilitates discernment! To register visit www.ignatiancenter.org

Ignatian Spirituality For Men

Islamic & Ignatian Spirituality: An Interfaith Dialogue Saturday, February 22, 2019 8:30 am Social, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Program St. Joseph Parish Center, Seattle Imam Adam Jamal & Tim Malone, Presenters

9/11 and events in recent years have changed the lives of our Muslim neighbors. We may know a little bit about Islam, another Abrahamic faith tradition, but how much do we know about the spirituality undergirding Islam? And how does it compare with Ignatian spirituality? Join Imam Adam Jamal (Assistant Imam at Muslim Association of Puget Sound) and Tim Malone (SEEL spiritual director & interfaith retreat leader) to explore the Islamic and Ignatian spiritual traditions, hopefully bringing us to a deeper kinship with one another. To register visit www.ignatiancenter.org



THIS IGNATIAN LIFE SERIES

Dialogue Through Differences: An Ignatian Approach to Dealing with Conflict Saturday, February 2, 2019 8:30 am Social, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm Program Peace & Spirituality Center, Bellevue Matt Barmore, Presenter

In today's climate of polarization and the increasing gulf between "us and them," it's more important than ever that we learn how to interact with people who have opinions different from our own. Join presenter Matt Barmore for a workshop on how an Ignatian approach to dialogue can help us effectively interact with people with whom we disagree. To register visit www.ignatiancenter.org



Parish Life



Seniors On The Go

Thursday, January 24th - Please join us for a tour at Theo Chocolates followed by lunch at the Lockspot Café. Leave from St. Joseph at 10:30 am, tour at 11:15, followed by lunch. Cost: \$5.00 for hour long tour plus lunch. Be back around 2:30 pm.

Friday, February 1st - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am. Followed by a delicious luncheon in the Parish Center. Please feel free to park in the lot behind the church and take the elevator.

Wednesday, February 27th - Join us for ARSENIC AND OLD LACE at the Taproot Theatre in Greenwood on Wednesday, February 27th. Ticket price is \$15.00 We will leave from St. Joseph's Church at 11:30 am and have lunch at a local restaurant before the Matinee starts at 2:00 pm. Tickets must be prepaid. Seating is limited. For details, contact Renee at 206-324-2522 or rleet@stjosephparish.org

St. Joseph's St. Patrick's Day Party is Back!

Saturday March 9, 2019 6:00 pm – 10:00 - Parish Social Hall

This year we are trying something new! We are joining forces with a group of parish/school families who have been hosting their own St. Patrick's Day celebration. One of the main reasons we needed to cancel last year was poor ticket sales. Some of the feedback we received was the cost was too high and yet what we were charging was still not enough to cover the cost of the dinner.

So, one big change this year is, NO CATERED DINNER. It's going to be a potluck with heavy appetizers and desserts. We will not be charging for the event but passing the hat to help pay for the beverages and any other expenses. We will have live Irish Music and we do have the Irish Dancers ready to come.

In order to proceed...we still need volunteers to help with set-up, decorating, bartending and cleanup. If you are interested in being part of the planning, please join us on Sunday, January 27th for a one hour mtg in the Social Hall at 10:30 – 11:30am. If you can't come but want to help, email or call Deacon Steve 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

Young Adult Ministry

Soulful Soups

Stay warm with Soulful Soups! Join the St. Joseph Young Adult community 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. Due to Presidents Day, Soulful Soups will be on a different schedule in February. The last Soulful Soup nights of the year will be 7 pm on: Feb. 11 and March 4 in the Parish Center Arrupe Room. Don't miss the last soup nights of the year, and stay tuned for the St. Joseph Young Adult spring events! For details, contact Callie at youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

Filipino Parishioner Meeting

Tuesday, February 5th at 6:30 pm

A lively core group of Filipino parishioners met last month and started discussing unique Filipino faith traditions that can be explored and introduced to the St. Joseph community. We welcome anyone interested to join in. We've started looking at *Simbang Gabi*, but there are other feasts to consider, it's a fun group where meeting up is synonymous to having food! The next gettogether is Tuesday, February 5 at 6:30 pm to 8:30 at the Parish Center – Mother Teresa Room. For more information, contact Ray Manahan at ray.manahan@outlook.com or Roger Rigor at rrigor1@comcast.net

Women's Ministry Spirituality Book Group

Saturday, January 26, 10:30 am -12 in the Xavier Room (top of the stairs, left and right) at the Parish Center.

Please bring books that you would like us to consider for the four meetings this year. (One per person, please.)

If you would like the list of books we have read in the past, contact Katy Huston at katyh101@gmail.com

Our Local Church



Clothing Drive

The Holy Names Academy Alumnae Board will hold its 8th annual Clothing Drive to benefit Jubilee Women's Center on Saturday, February 2nd, and Sunday, February 3rd, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at the St. Joseph Parish Social Hall (732 18th Ave. E., Seattle, WA 98112).

Clean out your closet, and bring your clean, consignment-quality, gently-used women's clothing, shoes, and accessories. Jubilee Women's Center also needs velvet coat hangers, plastic tube or "store" hangers (not wire), shopping bags from nice stores, and full-size deodorant. In addition, we will collect umbrellas, toilet paper, warm socks (that fit in shoes, not fluffy lounge socks), and twin-sized blankets or comforters. Everyone is encouraged to contribute. Collect additional clothing from your family, friends, and co-workers!

Please enter St. Joseph via the driveway on 19th Ave. E. and E. Aloha St., and park temporarily near the entrance. We will provide assistance with unloading if you need it. Please note that the parking lot will be busy on Sunday morning because of the Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Thank you for supporting Jubilee Women's Center, which provides programs and services that help empower women! If you have any questions, please contact Annie (Wickwire) Delucchi '82 at 206-498-2510.

Advocacy & Caring for Children Luncheon

SAVE THE DATE
Katherine Meloy Annual Spring Luncheon*
WHERE: Washington Athletic Club
WHEN: 11:30 a.m. – Saturday, March 9, 2019
Tickets: \$55.00 each

Check payable to Katherine Meloy Circle/ACC and mail to: 3242 – 30th Ave. West, Seattle, WA 98199

Reservations: Anne Friday 206-284-5639 or Jean Niehaus 206-282-5190 *to benefit Advocacy and Caring for Children

Archdiocese Mental Health Luncheon

The Mental Health Ministry Committee invites you to find out how YOUR parish and faith community can provide understanding and support to those suffering from mental illness and their families. Attendees will receive specific tools and resources from parishes that have been offering this support to their parishioners and families impacted by mental illness. Come to one of the following FREE workshop luncheon events. Wednesday February 13th at Holy Family Parish, Kirkland or on Wednesday, March 20th at St. Luke's Parish in Shoreline from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm. Lunch provided. Register for a luncheon by emailing ericac@seattlearch.org

St. James Cathedral Upcoming Mental Health Events

NAMI Peer-to-Peer Support Group

Tuesdays, January 22nd – March 5th 6:00 – 8:30 PM Pastoral Outreach Center, Mother Cabrini Room

NAMI Peer to peer is a free 8 session program for adults with mental illness who are looking to better understand their condition.

Taught by a trained team of people who've been there, the program includes presentations, discussion, and interactive exercises. Everything is confidential and NAMI never recommends a specific medical therapy or treatment approach. Please RSVP to Aislin Percival at aislin@namiseattle.org or (206) 783-9264

Powerful Tools for Caregivers

Do you support an adult family member with a chronic condition? In this free 6-week course, learn key skills for taking care of yourself while you care for your loved one. Topics include stress reduction, communication, decision-making, and community resources.

11 am – 12:30, Thursdays, February 14 – March 21. Pastoral Outreach Center.

Space is limited; Registration is required by February 7. Contact Mari Becker, UW Memory & Brain Wellness Center, 206-744-2017, mbecker1@uw.edu



Pope-Pourri

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GODWORLD DAY OF PEACE - POPE FRANCIS Saint Peter's Square - Tuesday, 1st January 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good Morning and Happy New Year to all!

Today, the eighth day after Christmas, we celebrate the Holy Mother of God. Like the shepherds of Bethlehem, we remain with our gaze focused on her and on the Child she holds in her arms. And in this way, by showing us Jesus, the Saviour of the world, she, the mother, blesses us. Today Our Lady *blesses* all of us, everyone. She blesses the journey of every man and of every woman in this year that is beginning, and that will be *good* precisely in the measure in which each one will have welcomed God's *goodness* which Jesus came to bring into the world.

In essence, it is the blessing of God who gives substance to all the good wishes that are exchanged in these days. And today the liturgy brings back the ancient benediction with which the Israelite priests blessed the people. Let us listen carefully; it states: "The Lord bless you and keep you: The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you: The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace" (Num 6:24-26). This is the age-old blessing. The priests would repeat the name of God, 'Lord', three times, extending his hands toward the people gathered. In the Bible, in fact, the name represents the very reality that is invoked, and thus, 'to place the name' of the Lord on a person, a family, a community, means offering them the beneficial force that flows from him. In this same formulation, the 'face', the face of the Lord, is named twice. The priest prays that God 'make it shine' and 'lift it up' toward his people, and thus grant them mercy and peace.

We know that according to Scripture the face of God is inaccessible to man: no one can see God and remain alive. This expresses the transcendence of God, the infinite greatness of his glory. But the glory of God is all Love, and therefore, while remaining inaccessible, like a Sun that one cannot look at, his grace shines on every creature and, in a special way on men and women, in whom he is most greatly reflected.

"When the time had fully come" (Gal 4:4), God revealed himself in the face of a man, Jesus, "born of woman". And here we return to the icon of today's celebration,

which we have shared: the icon of the Holy Mother of God, who shows us her Son, Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world. He is the Blessing for each person and for the entire human family. He, Jesus, is the wellspring of grace, mercy and peace.

For this reason Saint Pope Paul VI wished that the first of January be the World Day of Peace; and today we celebrate the 52nd, which has as its theme: *Good politics is at the service of peace*. Let us not think that politics is reserved only to government leaders: we are all responsible for the life of the 'city', for the common good; and also, politics is good in the measure in which each one does his part in the service of peace. May the Holy Mother of God help us in this daily task.

I would like all of us to greet her now, by saying three times: "Holy Mother of God". Together: "Holy Mother of God", "Holy Mother of God", "Holy Mother of God".

After the Angelus the Holy Father added:

Dear brothers and sisters, on Christmas day I addressed a message of fraternity to Rome and to the world. Today I renew it with the wish for peace and prosperity. Let us pray for peace every day.

I thank the President of the Italian Republic for the expressions of good will he addressed to me last evening. May the Lord always bless his lofty and valuable service to the people of Italy.

My cordial best wishes go especially to you, dear people of Rome and pilgrims who are here today in Saint Peter's Square, so numerous! This seems like a canonization! I greet the participants in the "Peace in all lands" event organized by the Sant'Egidio Community. And here I would like to express my appreciation and my closeness to the countless initiatives of prayer and of commitment to peace on this Day which is observed in every part of the world, sponsored by ecclesial communities; I recall in particular the one that took place yesterday evening in Matera.

Through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, may the Lord allow us to be artisans of peace — and this begins at home, in the family: artisans of peace — each day of the new year. And I wish you, once more, a happy and holy year. Please, do not forget to pray for me. Enjoy your lunch. *Arrivederci!*