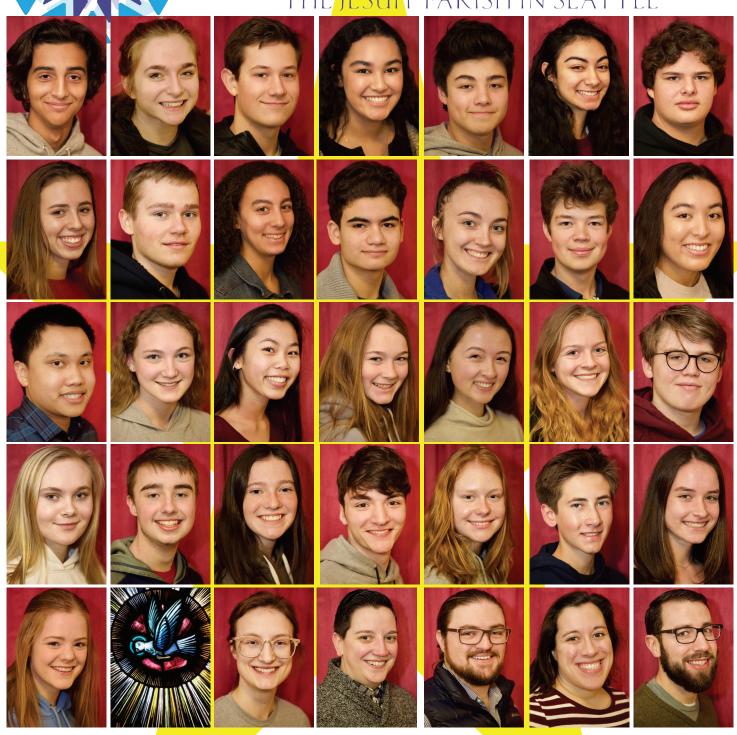


St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE



CONFIRMATION 2019

"THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE HAS ANOINTED ME."

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 27, 2019

Homily Next Week: Julian Climaco, S.J.

Weekend Mass Schedule

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

Readings for February 3, 2019

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13
Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

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 Desert Mother & the Confirmandi

My work is loving the world.

Here the sunflowers, there the hummingbird—
equal seekers of sweetness.

Here the quickening yeast; there the blu plums.

Here the clam deep in the speckled sand.

Are my boots old? Is my coat torn? Am I no longer young, and still not half-perfect? Let me keep my mind on what matters which is my work,

which is mostly standing still and learning to be astonished.

-Mary Oliver-

In the early 4th century, following the acceptance of Christianity by the Roman Empire, a group of women and men, dismayed by the cultural appropriation of the faith and by the subsequent dilution of the gospels' radical call, began to leave their homes in the cities and find their way to remote locations, especially into the desert around Alexandria. Seeking austere and prayerful solitude, these ascetics occupied themselves with simple tasks—tending small gardens or weaving baskets—while spending most of their day in fasting and prayer. In this way, monasticism set aside the false security of wealth and power, the false community of the marketplace, and the false spirituality of religious conformism. Instead, it grounded the Church in the place of Sacrament: at the confluence of the ordinary and the transcendent, of the simple and the divine. In the silence of the desert, these women and men could hear the voice of God; and in their solitude, could meet that Presence which transcends and infuses all reality. And though few of their fellow Christians would be called to leave the cities and join them in the desert permanently, many sought the teachings of the Desert Fathers and Mothers, incorporating their stories in ways that would shape the life of the Church for the next 2000 years.

Today, although monasticism continues to exist in many religious traditions, it is often artists—and particularly poets—who have assumed the mantle once worn by the Desert Mothers and Fathers. Though rarely dressed in animal hides or living in caves, such artists immerse themselves in the ordinariness of the world, and through their encounters with the ordinary, reveal something of the divine that resides at the heart of all life. It may be Denise Levertov reflecting on the "Birds afloat in air's current," or Wendall Berry coming "into the peace of wild things;" it may be William Stafford speaking of life's bonuses, "like morning, like right now, like noon," or even Sharon Olds, looking at herself, "this body, white as yellowish dough brushed with dry flour." It could be any of a hundred other seekers, who perceive the world with the eyes of a mystic, and find in what is most common the holy and awful mystery that the Desert Mothers and Fathers sought, and that each of us longs for in the deep recesses of his or her heart. Not all of these seekers will find words adequate to communicate their experience, yet from those who do comes wisdom that can rescue us from the illusions that surround us: illusions of control and power, of dominance and urgency; illusions that fill us with anxiety and anger, with covetousness and ideology; illusions that drive us to war and oppression, to mindless consumption and ultimate despair. So often cut-off from the very world we inhabit, we need these poets and artists, these new Desert Fathers and Mothers, to open our eyes and our hearts to the astonishment that surrounds us and the mystery in which we live.

On January 17, as the world was preoccupied with the dissembling of the American President and the weeping of separated children, with American bombs exploding in Yemen and teachers preparing to strike in Los Angeles, Mary Oliver, one of the greatest of these new Desert Mothers, died quietly in her home in Florida. Raised in Ohio, in a troubled family, early in her life she found refuge in words and in the natural world, using her poetry like a lens to see the truth of the world and to bring it into view in simple, profound, and powerful verse. Her mission, she knew, was to love the world, seeing it without the coloring that comes from ideology or the distortions born of ego. In words and structures often deceptively simple, Oliver's poetry manifests an incarnational awareness, by which she invites readers to set aside the noise and the artifice, and enter the desert with her: where the mystery at the heart of reality can speak to the mystery of our own deepest desires. As seen in one of her most famous poems—The Summer Day—the particular truth of the world offers a doorway, by which one can find the question of one's heart, a question reminiscent of that question Jesus asks when the disciples of John follow him at the river Jordan (John 1:35-39). As Oliver frames it: "Who made the world? / Who made the swan, and the black bear? / Who made the grasshopper? / This grasshopper, I mean — / the one who has flung herself out of the grass, / the one who is eating sugar out of my hand, / who is moving her jaws back and forth instead of up and down— / who is gazing around with her enormous and complicated eyes. / Now she lifts her pale forearms and thoroughly washes her face. / Now she snaps her wings open, and floats away. / I don't know exactly what a prayer is. / I do know how to pay attention, how to fall down / into the grass, how to kneel down in the grass, / how to be idle and blessed, how to stroll through the fields, / which is what I have been doing all day. / Tell me, what else should I have done? / Doesn't everything die at last, and too soon? / Tell me, what is it you plan to do / with your one wild and precious life?"

In this beautiful little poem, Oliver consciously and intentionally withdraws from the general or theoretical—"I don't know exactly what a prayer is"—choosing instead simply to encounter the world in its particular reality. It is not bears or grasshoppers about whom she speaks, but the bear and this grasshopper, whom she can see and hear and watch and feel. And through this encounter with reality, rather than through theology or spirituality, she enters into the mysteries of death and

life, and the summoning question given to all who live not as ideas or concepts, but—like the grasshopper or the black bear—in the irreducible mystery of the existing world.

This Saturday evening, at the 5:00 pm Mass at St. Joseph, 28 young women and men will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the hands of Bishop Mueggenborg. In a rite nearly as ancient as the Church herself, these young people will be invited to profess their faith through the renewal of their baptismal promises, and then will be called forward for the anointing and laying on of hands. Together, they have spent months of study and service to prepare themselves for this day, when they shall be fully incorporated into the Church through the last of the Sacraments of Initiation. Yet, as beautiful and gracious as this liturgy will be, its truth and fullness resides not in the power of the Bishop nor even in the sacredness of the words and actions, but in the willingness of each of these confirmands to accept the mystery that is offered and to receive it into the fullness of their lives. For, as the Desert Mothers and Fathers—both old and new—tell us: the sacred gifts come not in generalities nor to crowds, but only in the experience and surrender of each person. At that moment when the hands of the Bishop are laid upon the confirmand and the fragrant oil stains her hair or his skin, it will not be doctrine nor dogma, not theologies nor ecclesiologies that are confirmed; rather, it will be her or him, each young woman, each young man, loved and chosen in his or her irreducible identity. Though we pray we have given them the knowledge and experience they need, we cannot confirm them-even God cannot confirm them—except as each one receives the gift of the Spirit given uniquely and particularly to them as a beloved son or a chosen daughter. For as the ancients showed in their migration to the desert, and as poets like Mary Oliver remind us today, the grace poured into this world is not an idea to be taught: it is a mystery to be lived. May each of the young people confirmed this Saturday live well and lovingly in the grace he or she receives, unconquered by the noise of this world and filled with the power of wonder and love. May each hear the voice of that Desert Mother, who invites them, invites all of us, to be about our work: "Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?"

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5 PM CONFIRMATION MASS

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



Send Us Your Spirit

Haas



Confiteor

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

(Strike breast during next line)

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

Gloria

See Cards In Pews





First Reading

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand. Standing at one end of the open place that was before the Water Gate, he read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the occasion. He opened the scroll so that all the people might see it —for he was standing higher up than any of the people—; and, as he opened it, all the people rose. Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people, their hands raised

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Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 19

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Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

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Gospel Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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The Confirmation Rite

Presentation of the Candidates for Confirmation Homily: Bishop Daniel H. Mueggenborg Renewal of Baptismal Promises The Laying on of Hands The Anointing With Chrism

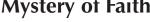


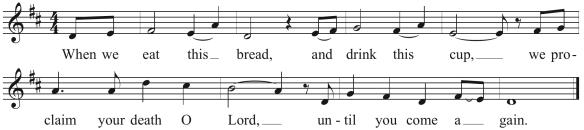
1. Come, be my light, be my voice to the nations. Be my hands, be my heart for the world. Would you go where I go? Where I lead, will you follow? Would you leave everything for my sake? By the power of the Spirit, everyone with ears to hear it will embrace the call to love within their heart. Refrain.



2. Go, take your gift to the poor and the lonely. As you love so will I live in you. Will you feed, feed my lambs? Share your hope with the hopeless? Bring new sight to the blind in my name? With a towel and a basin, t'ward the kingdom we will hasten, through the narrow gate that leads to Calvary. Ref.



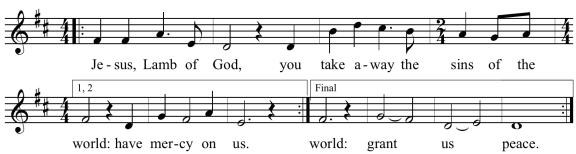




Great Amen



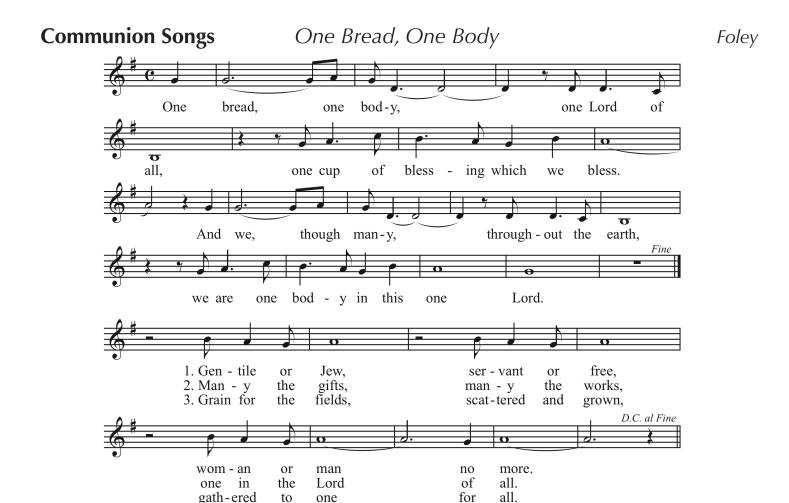
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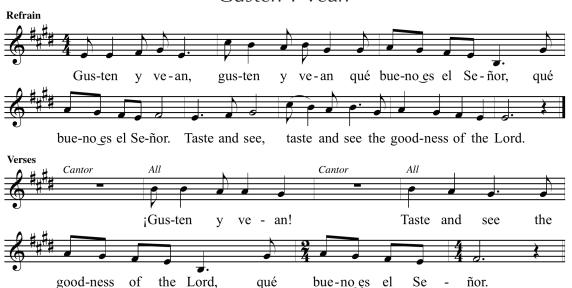
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Bell



The Confirmation Concluding Rites

Bishop: The Lord be with you All: And also with you

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord All: Now and forever

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord All: Who made heaven and earth

Recessional



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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9 AM, 11AM & 5:30 PM WORSHIP AID CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK "ALL ARE WELCOME"

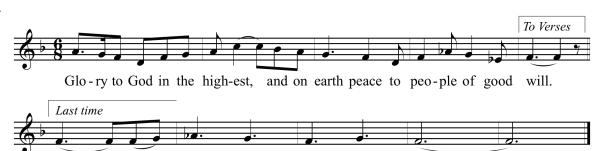
Welcome to St. Joseph. Please take a moment to silence your cell phones.

"All Are Welcome" is the school theme for this year and, in addition to singing the song *All Are Welcome* at all school liturgies throughout the year, the students have learned this bi-lingual mass setting by Portland composers Rodolfo and Estela Garcia-Lopez. Do your best to join in the singing! The music is printed here to help you.





Gloria



men,

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.

men,

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will.

- 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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Gospel Acclamation

(9) Alleluia from Misa Santa Cecilia

Lopez



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Reflection

Patrick Fennessy

Dismissal of Catechumens & Candidates





Bell



san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the

Ho - san - na! Ho-san - na! Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Lord.



(11&5:30) Mass of Christ the Savior

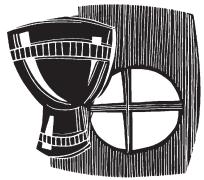


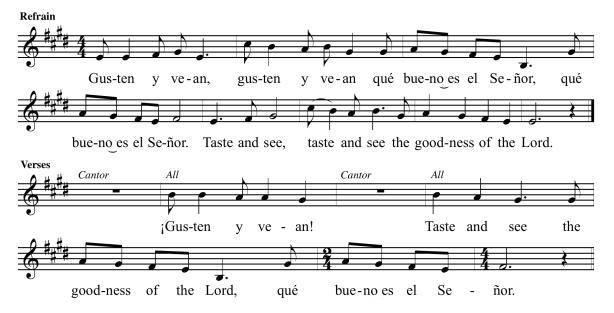
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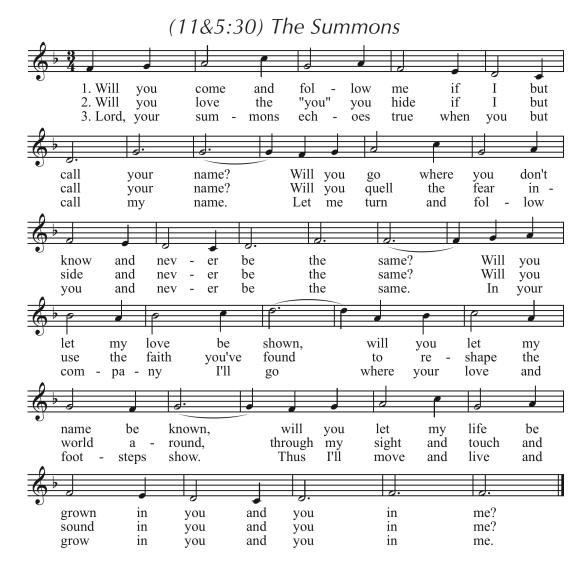








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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday

9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 5:30 PM

Mass

Coffee & Donuts - Join us!

Mass Mass

Monday

7:00 AM Mass

7:00 PM 7:00 PM

Sacred Silence Prayer Group 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 PM Reconciliation 5:00 PM Mass

Prayer

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions:

Ftrengthen those being confirmed in their baptismal promises, build them into the Kingdom of your Son and seal them with

the Spirit of your love.

CONFIRMANDI

Abby Allen - I chose to be confirmed in the Catholic Church to further learn about my faith and to participate more fully in my community. I think my biggest gift is empathy. I try to always be aware of others' feelings and do my best to be a positive force in people's lives. Joan of Arc is my Confirmation saint; she was a great warrior and I admire her bravery and selflessness. I love to spend time with my friends and am very passionate about volleyball.

Ava Ambuske - I chose to be confirmed because I feel ready to take another step into my faith journey and I see it as a sign of maturity and independence. I love to hang out with my family, friends and my dog. I also like to go on adventures and experience life. I chose Saint Therese of Lisieux because she is the Saint of Little Things. I value the little things and I think it's the little things that matter. One of my gifts is the gift of love because I love everyone.

Katie Aydelott – I chose Saint Agatha, the Patron Saint of nurses, because she was known for her resilience, especially during hard times, and her ability to remain positive and stay strong. One of my gifts is that I am dependable and those who need me know they can count on me. I chose to be confirmed because I know that the Church can help me be an even better person and strong and resilient like Saint Agatha.

Javier Bonet – One of my gifts is being compassionate and forgiving to other people. Something I love to do is to ski with my friends. I chose to be confirmed to further my Catholic faith and relationship with God. I chose Saint Oscar Romero because he was very compassionate and dedicated his life to helping others.

Quinn Buckner - I chose to be confirmed to grow my relationship with God and to continue my faith journey. One of my gifts is the gift of positivity, which I can spread to those around me. I chose St. Nicholas because he gave all the wealth he had to those around him. Something I love to do is to play football with my friends.

Mary Meghan Cedergreen - One of my gifts is being compassionate to those around me. I enjoy spending time with my friends and family. I chose to be confirmed so that I could continue my journey as a Catholic, as well as strengthen my relationship with God. I chose St. Agatha of Sicily as my saint, as she is the patron saint of nursing and specializes in helping those in need. I feel called in fulfilling that as my future career.

Juliette De Laurentis – I chose to be confirmed to fully be a part of the community and to grow in my faith. Some of my gifts are being empathetic and loyal. In my free time I like hanging out with my friends and doing musical theater. I chose St. Cecilia as my saint because she's the patron saint of musicians and has watched over me in my years of choral and instrumental music.

Nicholas Eschweiler- One of my gifts is forgiveness. I enjoy the time I spend with friends especially my teammates. Whether it is Baseball, Ultimate Frisbee or Science Olympiad the time I spend with my friends is the time I cherish the most. I chose to be confirmed because I currently go to a public high school and I feel slightly disconnected from my faith and Confirmation is the first step towards fully reuniting myself with the Catholic Church. I chose St. Anthony as my Confirmation saint because he is the finder of lost articles and he always looked at the world with an amount of wisdom that I hope that I can embody throughout my life.

Mary Farewell - I chose Blessed Julian of Norwich because she was dedicated to helping others by giving advice. Like Blessed Julian, one of my gifts is being dedicated and passionate about what I do. I love to spend time with friends and family. I want to be confirmed because I hope to grow in my faith with God and the church community.

Izzy Fleming - A gift of mine is my care for others. Something I enjoy doing is spending time with my family and friends. Seeing people, I care about happy, is one of the most important things in my life. I chose to be confirmed because throughout this process I've been able to learn more about God and understand him in a personal way that brings me closer to him and my faith. I chose St. Valentine as my saint because he surrounded everyone he cared for with love.

Riley Flynn - One of my gifts is perseverance. When things get hard, I try to stick with it and keep working harder. I enjoy spending time with my friends and family. I chose to be confirmed so that I can strengthen my faith in and understanding of God. The saint that I chose is St. Catherine of Alexandria. She is the patron saint of girls and education, and the reason why I chose her is because she stayed strong in her beliefs, despite what everyone around her was saying.

Grace Forslund- I chose to be confirmed to strengthen my faith in God. I enjoy spending time with friends and baking. One of my gifts is forgiveness. I chose Saint Christopher because he is the patron saint of traveling and that is a topic I find to be very interesting.

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Charles Grimm - One of my gifts is openness. I have learned from those important in my life to be open and help others, not just those you know but take time to hear out those you may have misjudged. I enjoy teaching my students at my ski school on Friday nights. I chose to be confirmed because I wanted to continue my faith in my own way to gain a deeper relationship with my own faith. I chose St. Bartholomew as my saint due to his dedication to his faith, even being devoted through torture.

Charles Gwynn - One of my gifts is that I have a positive outlook on each day that I embrace with enthusiasm. I enjoy golfing and spending times outdoors. I chose to be confirmed because I feel it is the next step in my faith journey and I wish to strengthen my relationship with God. I chose St. Andrew as my saint because he stood up for what he believed in and since he was the first apostle, I hope that he will help me live out my faith.

Kenji Hoover - I chose to be confirmed, as I believe that in doing so I will be able to strengthen my relationship with God. I also believe, that Confirmation is the next step in my religious journey. I believe that one gift that I have is kindness, I feel that being kind allows me to make stronger relationships with others. I chose St. Ignatius of Loyola, as he was the founder of the Jesuit order, and the school I currently attend is a Jesuit high school.

Aidan Hayre - I was baptized in the Greek Orthodox Faith, in which I was baptized and confirmed as an infant. I have chosen to be received into the Catholic Church because I want to become closer with God and I want to fully choose Catholicism as the way I live out my faith. I wanted to take the class to learn as much about God as I could. One of my gifts is I am good at problem solving. Something I love to do is meeting new people and sharing experiences. I also enjoy having time to myself in nature. I feel like in nature I create a closer relationship with God.

Eleanor Hendry - One of my gifts is intelligence. In the future I hope to use it to help other people and use it for the greater good. Something that I like to do is hang out with my friends. I can be free and myself around them and I love and trust them so much. I am choosing to be confirmed to be able to officially join an amazing community that we have at St. Joseph. Joan of Arc was the saint I chose because she stood up for what she believed in and was empowering and gave hope to many.

Sarah Mirkin - One of my gifts is kindness and treating all people with respect. Something I love to do is run. I chose Saint Luke as my saint because was a healer and spread his faith, which are two things that I aspire to do. I chose to be confirmed because I want to take the next step in my faith journey and receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit to strengthen me as I try to live out the message of God.

Maya Murphy – I chose to be confirmed because I have grown up in the Catholic community my entire life and I have found my family here. Also, I want to grow further in my relationship with God and be deeper involved in my Catholic community. I believe that one of my gifts is being a leader and connecting with others. The saint that I chose is St. Helena of Rome. I chose her because not only did she raise one of the greatest leaders in history and was one herself, but she took her position as Empress to improve gender roles and helped make discoveries in fields of science and mathematics. Something I love to do is to make people laugh and to see them smile and have their day be better.

Bridget O'Hearn - I chose St. Ann Wang to be my confirmation Saint. She is one of the 87 Catholic martyrs who died during the Chinese Boxer Rebellion. I chose St. Ann because she was only 14-years-old when she refused to deny her faith and consequently was beheaded. Through the sacrament of Confirmation, I hope to emulate her ceaseless strength, faith, and courage. In addition, I hope to deepen my understanding of the faith and strengthen my relationship with God. Outside of school, I like to row, bike and bake. One of my gifts is that I am able to efficiently balance school, extracurricular activities and family life.

Maureen O'Hearn - One of my greatest gifts is kindness. I try to be kind and friendly to everyone. Something I love to do is spending time with my family and friends. I chose St. Peregrine Laziosi as my Confirmation saint because he is the patron saint of people suffering from cancer and someone I am close to is afflicted with cancer. I want to be confirmed because I want to continue and grow in my faith and grow closer to God.

"Be who you were created to be, and you will set the world on fire."

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Blake Pigott - One of my gifts is my curiosity. I love learning new things, and this is one of the main reasons I chose to be confirmed. I want to know more about God and how to serve Him and my community to my utmost ability. I enjoy hanging out with my friends and family, and throughout my life, I want to make many more connections. This is why I chose St. Christopher as my saint. I want to be able to travel safely and with God's blessing.

Logan Read - I pride myself in being trustworthy. Through Confirmation, I hope to become more trustworthy towards friends, family, and those around me daily. Fulfilling the process which Baptism started for me is important and I believe is a key part in growing up in a Christian family. For my Confirmation, St. Dominic of Caleruega is my patron saint. He is the patron saint of astronomers and astronomy, which is a shared interest I have. Also, he has a very interesting story associated with his mother before his birth, as she saw a dog holding a torch set the world on fire. I hope to do this through the things I enjoy, like hanging out with friends.

Nia Santos - I chose to be Confirmed because I believe I am confirming my belief of Jesus Christ being my Lord and savior. Through Confirmation I am also confirming my understanding and acceptance of the teachings of the Catholic Church. I chose St. Christopher as my Confirmation saint because he was able to find Christ through helping others. A gift I believe I have is resilience and the ability to persevere through challenges and learn from my mistakes. One thing I love to do is spend time with my friends.

Noelle Santos - I chose to be confirmed to solidify my relationship with my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In confirming my commitment to my faith that my parents initially pledged on my behalf, I am reaffirming their promise to God in living a life dedicated to loving myself and others, and in giving and sharing my gifts and talents. I chose Saint Catherine of Siena as my Confirmation saint. She was a pioneer during her time. Her influence was brought on by her spiritual writings and her boldness as a political figure in defense of her Catholic faith. My gift is empathy and willingness to help those who are in need and are suffering. My calling is to love and help others as God has loved and blessed me. One thing I love to do is spend quality time with family and friends.

Austin Thompson - I chose to become confirmed because I have spent my whole life learning about God in school and at home. My parents are confirmed, and this gives me the opportunity to continue my growth and faith in God. One of my gifts is that I always choose to have a positive outlook on life and every situation. I believe that seeing the positive in everything can and will make everyone's life much better. I chose Saint Patrick mainly because I go to an Irish school and that makes me very proud. Something I love to do is crew. I like rowing because when I do, I can leave all the bad behind me. It is one of life's most underrated pleasures.

Will Thompson - I want to be confirmed to take the next step in my religious education as an adult in the Catholic Church. I like to spend time with my friends and family laughing, so naturally, one of my gifts is a good sense of humor and being able to relate to people. I chose Saint Arnold of Soissons for my Saint because of his public health work to bring safe, uncontaminated beverages to his fellow citizens in the form of beer.

Alexander Jesus M. Villar - I chose to be Confirmed because I want to grow in my faith and I think Confirmation means I am sure I am ready to make this decision. One of my gifts is love and it's a gift I'm still working on. I know God loves us no matter what we do and my parents are great examples of that kind of unconditional love. I chose St. Peter because Jesus said he would build His church on St. Peter. Peter denied he knew Jesus when he thought admitting it would get him in trouble. But Jesus still loved him and in the end Peter died a martyrs death because he would never again deny our Lord.

Mattie Wellnitz – I chose to be confirmed because I want to grow in my faith and discover the way God wants to direct my life. I chose St. Catherine of Siena as my saint because she is one of the women doctors in the church, and I think we need strong women leaders like her today. I hope to be as strong and wise as she was. For fun I enjoy hanging out with my friends and family.

"You must speak to Jesus, not only with your lips, but also with your heart; actually, on certain occasions, you should speak with only your heart."

~St. Padre Pio



FAITH JUSTICE

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. We will provide assistance with unloading if you need it. 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.

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. Please email Mary de Rosas at mderosas@pnwimmigration.com with any questions or to RSVP.



Parish Life

Seniors On The Go

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 Young Adult Social

Eager to make new friends? Want to get connected with other young adults at church? Well look no further than *St. Joseph Young Adult Speed Friending* happening after the 5:30 pm Mass on **Sunday, February 10th.** Get acquainted and get connected. All are welcome. Pizza, Salad and Beverages provided. \$10 suggested donation. For more info contact Youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org or Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

St. Joseph's St. Patrick's Day Party

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. 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

Filipino Parishioner Meeting

Calling all Filipino parishioners! Please join us for a get together. The next get-together 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

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