

## St. Joseph Parish

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE







"Which of these was neighbor to the robber's victim?"

"The one who treated him with mercy."

"Go and do likewise."









#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **JULY 14, 2019**

Homily This Week: Glen Butterworth, S.J. **Reflection Next Week: Nicky Smith** 

#### **Weekend Mass Schedule** Saturday - 5 pm

**Sunday** - 9:30 am & 5:30 pm

#### Readings for July 21, 2019

FIRST READING: GENESIS 18:1-10A SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:24-28 GOSPEL: LUKE 10:38-42

#### 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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#### Waves

In this world, goodness is destined to be defeated. But a man must go down fighting. That is victory. To do anything less is to be less than a man.

#### -Walker Percy-

Don't worry about being effective. Just concentrate on being faithful to the truth.

#### -Dorothy Day-

Thus, not mild, not temperate, God's love for the world. Vast flood of mercy flung on resistance.

#### -Denise Levertov-

Sitting on the shore of Gloucester Bay, looking down at the rocky New England coast, is an excellent place to consider your life—its successes, its failures, and the many moments that seemed like success, only to break apart a few moments later. That was the prayer I was praying, as I sat on a big rock and looking down at the waves trying to get up the channel to the shore, only to be broken each time by the large granite boulders that blocked their way. Each wave, large or small, would form a little out to sea, then drive into the channel, as though it believed it was the one who would succeed in defeating the rock. And each time it would break against the hard, unmoving surface—its momentum resulting in a great splash backward, as only the smallest ripple got past the rock. And then the next one would come from the sea. And the next. And the next. Each one failing, each one broken by the rock's weight and power. I sat there for more than an hour, watching the waves and the stone, and wondering how long this dance had been going on. How many waves had been broken on that stone? How many tides and seasons had gone by? And the rock always won. It felt like the story of my life, like the story of the whole world. "Maybe," I thought, "I need to start being more like the rock."

But then it came to me: in a hundred years that rock would be worn away, but the sea would remain. And its waves would still be there, pushing up the channel, breaking against some other rock just a little farther on. Each wave would fail, but somehow the sea would win: and all that had been in the boulder, all that had seemed so strong against the sea, would at last become part of it, dissolved and received without anything being lost. So, maybe I don't want to be a boulder. Maybe, I want to be on the side of the sea, even if that means being a wave, which means failure, over and over again.

We live in an age of great sorrow and great challenge, an age marked by viciousness and anxiety. And though we are not the first to find ourselves in such an age, we may feel its power so acutely because we had been led to think we were immune. For a generation, media and political leaders spoke as though the great battles were over, as though the stones were all washed away. We were told that the reforms of the Great Depression had saved us forever from the folly of concentrated wealth and unregulated greed; told that the wisdom of the Marshall Plan and the UN Charter of Human Rights after World War II had quelled the nationalism and authoritarianism that had once divided Europe and twice led the world to war; told that the end of the Soviet Union would mean a draw-down from the military posture we had assumed for over 60 years, and that the lessons of Vietnam would teach us the hubris of nation building and the foolishness of violence. We were told that the passage of various civil rights laws guaranteed that we were finally moving beyond systematic racism and sexism in our country; and told that the Second Vatican Council had finally opened the windows of the Church and allowed in a fresh breeze of new ideas that would bring us new ways of proceeding. Though problems, of course, remained, they seemed small compared to the savagery and bloodshed of the last century—mere pebbles, compared to the great stones that had once blocked us.

We know now that such optimism was an illusion. Today, income inequality continues to increase, as the chronic poor are unable to find housing even when fully employed; meanwhile the wealthy hold a growing percentage of the world's resources. Today, the specter of nationalism and xenophobia arises again in every sector of the world, sparking racist and nationalist violence from Sudan and Saudi Arabia to China and Poland, from antiimmigrant riots in Italy to white-power marches in the streets of the United States. Today, on the borders of the United States, children are taken from their parents and held in cages without proper food or health care, while federal officials—in violation of the UN Charter that the United States, through Eleanor Roosevelt, helped author—deny the right of asylum to countless women and men, persecuted in countries we helped destabilize but will not aid. Today, in places of great wealth, women continue to be disproportionately poor, and across the world, women and girls are sold into bondage for the pleasure of wealthy and powerful men. Today, we continue to lose our sons and daughters to war in Afghanistan, while also arming authoritarian governments who bomb children and kill their own citizens. Today, we see our Church divided by issues of inclusion and tradition; we see people leaving in pain, driven out by the moral decay among their leaders and the compassionless exercise of power on those who are most vulnerable. Today, it can easily seem as though all the idealism and hope we had once held for the world was worthless. That all the movement toward justice has come to naught; i.e., it can feel as though the rocks are winning, and we are powerless to stop them.

But such despair is also built on an illusion. For the truth is that all the lives spent working for civil rights and equality of access, for the care of the poor and the rights of women; all the waves of women and men who broke

on the stones of fascism and Nazism—whether Dietrich Bonhoeffer or Edith Stein, Anne Frank or Maximilian Kolbe; all those who made CARE packages for the Berlin airlift, or marched against the Vietnam War, or demonstrated for an end to nuclear proliferation, or were summoned before the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith for questioning Vatican teachings: all of those who acted in the name of love, and hope, and mercy, to make better the lives of their sisters and brothers in great ways or small, were doing their mission, making the waves they were given to make. And if no one of them, or even all of them together, destroyed the whole of the stone of injustice and sin that rests in the midst of the universe (i.e., in the midst of the human heart) that was because each of them was only one part of the divine action—one part of that divine and eternal sea, in whom we live and move and have our being. By their love, these, our ancestors in faith, made the world better in their day; but as Jesus says, "Sufficient for a day is its own evil" (Mt. 6:34). We cannot rest on their actions, for the rocks before us need the waves that only we can be.

In his wonderful book on Australia, In a Sunburned Country, Bill Bryson tells the story of a Hungarian immigrant, who comes to Australia shortly after the Soviet Union crushed the uprising in his home country. Knowing that Australia had a historically rigorous immigration policy for anyone outside the Commonwealth, but also knowing he was required to register his address, the man arrived at the police station with some fear. Behind the desk was a huge stern looking man, the sergeant in charge of the precinct, and when, in his broken English, the Hungarian immigrant explained why he was there, the sergeant rose and came around the counter. The immigrant feared he was about to hit him, and flinched as the sergeant took him by the arm, and taking his other hand, gave him a huge grin and a handshake, declaring, "Welcome to Australia!" A small wave against a mighty rock of history and fear, and yet, when he told Bryson the story, the new Australian still teared up—a bit more water for the sea of hope.

So let us all become waves against the rocks that block our shore. Show love, even when hate seems stronger. Speak up, even when silence seems safer. Become a flame, even when the dark seems overwhelming. Take to the streets, even when your efforts seem useless. Believe in peace and act with peace, even when violence seems more efficient. Take the hand of every woman and man whom the world would cast off and throw away, and tell them that they, too, belong with us in this great and living sea. Sacrifice yourself for love, knowing that love alone is worth the sacrifice. Neither you nor I will likely be victorious, but together we will become that "vast flood of mercy" that the world needs.

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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



#### Gloria

See Cards In Pews

### **First Reading**

Deuteronomy 30:10-14 you should say. 'Who will go up in the sky to get

Moses said to the people: "If only you would heed the voice of the LORD, your God, and keep his commandments and statutes that are written in this book of the law, when you return to the LORD, your God, with all your heart and all your soul.

"For this command that I enjoin on you today is not too mysterious and remote for you. It is not up in the sky,

that you should say, 'Who will go up in the sky to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?' Nor is it across the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross the sea to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?' No, it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out."



The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul.

The Lord's rule is to be trusted, the simple find wisdom. Ref.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding forever,

The decrees of the Lord are true, all of them just. Ref.

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.

The command of the Lord is clear, giving light to the eye. Ref.

They are worth more than gold, than the finest gold. Sweeter than honey, than honey form the comb. *Ref.* 

**Second Reading** 

Colossians1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia

Haugen



Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.

#### Gospel

Luke 10:25-37

There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test him and said, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read it?" He said in reply, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." He replied to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live."

But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite

side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.' Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."





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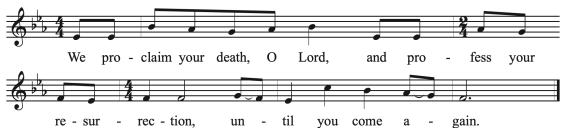
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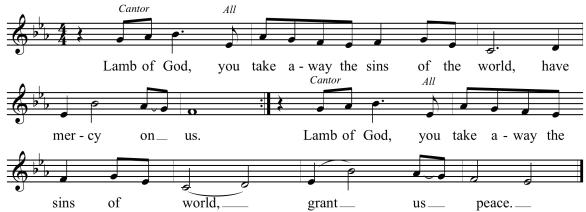
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#### **Lamb of God**



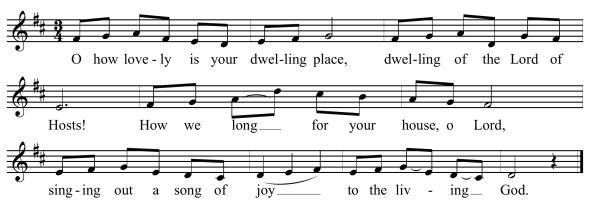
#### All Are Invited To Come Forward

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

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

#### **Communion Songs** How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place

DeBruyn

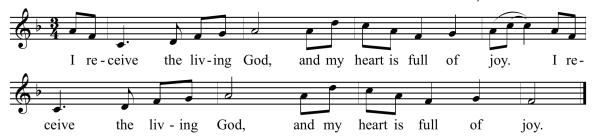


Even sparrows find a home with you, and swallows lay their young to rest. Blessed are those who dwell in you and sing their praise, O God! *Ref.* 

Blessed are those who find their strength in you, whose hearts are highways for your will. Bringing joy to those around them, they go form strength to strength. *Ref.* 

#### I Receive the Living God #916

Geoffroy/Dom Clement Jacob



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## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thank you to those who have already made their gift to this year's Annual Catholic Appeal! As of July 11th, 262 parishioners have committed \$114,630 to our goal of \$162,011. We are at 71% of our goal. Thank you!

A million thanks to: Cindy Ann Belanger, Mark & Jane Burns, Kathleen Cannon, Dan & Angela Dougherty, Victor & Pamela Harned, Martin Lijanto, Chris & Katie McReynolds, Thomas & Elizabeth Newman, Margaret Pepper, Jo Plorde, Sam & Connie Shepherd, Mark & Sondra Snyder, Dan Tobin & Debra Vonnahme, Vu Tran & Nashla Romano-Mendez and Edward & Ann Zamojski.



## WELCOME BACK FR. GLEN

Fr. Glen Butterworth, S.J. returns to St. Joseph this weekend and offers the first of a short series of biographical stories by way of re-introduction.

#### **Places and Home**

Although I was born in Bonn, Germany I have no early memories of that city; my first true memories are of family life in Golders Green, London. Dad worked at the old US Embassy at Grosvenor Square and Mom, besides caring for my older brother Brian and me, enjoyed getting out for historical tours of the city's many great churches. Both of my parents originally hailed from the Detroit area and while my father is long gone, my mother Cyndie is still very much with us here in Seattle - so you can ask her about my early years, especially my accent (think Ricky Gervais!). My first school was Garden Suburb and, except for the oddity of having American parents, I was very much a typical English lad. London will always be my first home.

My early years consisted of a lot of movement as my father's work for the US government took us around the world - Kenya, Greece, and Italy. But leafy suburban D.C. was a recurring constant in our nomadic life and it was there that I graduated high school and university. Today my accent carries more the slight Maryland drawl than the London glottal stop, even as I haven't lived back East in quite a while.

After undergraduate studies in Rome (Art History) and Maryland (Economics), I lived in D.C. and then moved to northern New Mexico, where I fell in love with the wide blue skies and Sangre de Cristo Mountains. For

a while I shared a ranch outside of Pecos, with a clear view of Bear Mountain - breathtakingly beautiful during the winter snows. But I was still a nomad at heart and after some years moved to New Orleans and enjoyed working in a glass studio at the heart of the Warehouse District. Seattle happened by accident when I visited my brother and his wife; I loved the city and the people so much that I stayed. It was the 1990s and grunge was all the rage.

I'll share more about my vocational and professional experience in future weeks but when I arrived in Seattle I lived near the intersection of Denny and Olive. To this day I'm much more at home on that side of Capitol Hill and find any excuse to walk down Broadway and through Cal Anderson 'to see what the kids are doing'.

After entering the Jesuits, I did my *First Studies* in New York, studying philosophy at Fordham and conflict resolution at Teachers College, Columbia. For *Regency*, I worked at Seattle U., managing student conduct, tamping down outbreaks of offensive theme parties, and promoting general integrity within a very diverse student population. *Theology* found me in London and then Berkeley. You can thank the good folks of Most Holy Redeemer in the Castro where I served as a deacon for piquing my interest in parish ministry.

After ordination and a couple of years at St. Joseph, I was called away to serve at the director of Jesuit formation for the Western US - a ministry requiring a lot of travel and a lot of administration attention. Thank God the travel is over and I'm back with all of you and get to call this community home again!



## FAITH JUSTICE



## St. Joseph Winter Shelter Program: Important Update

Our longtime Winter Shelter Coordinator, Taffy McCormick has retired. We will have a gathering in the fall to thank and appreciate Taffy for her years of dedicated service to the men of St. Martin de Porres Shelter. I can say without a doubt, there would not have been a Winter Shelter without Taffy and her willingness to organize and operate it year after year. I would love help in planning the proper way to thank Taffy. I also know many of you have been committed to helping either as an overnight host, meal provider or shopper year in and year out. Thank you!

Knowing this I am confident together we can come up with a new plan to operate the Winter Shelter. My initial thought is to have a small team of 3-5 people who can help me run the Winter Shelter. What if one person took on the coordination/scheduling of the overnight hosts and another person took on the coordination/scheduling of the meal providers? What if 1-2 people shared the responsibility of shopping and keeping the shelter space stocked and tidied. We do have a significant hurdle we need to get over: finances. In the past, Taffy recruited friends to cover the cost of running the shelter which is approximately \$900 - 1200 per month. Unfortunately the Winter Shelter cannot be funded out of the parish budget, so we need to do some fundraising. A possibility to consider is promoting the Winter Shelter to anyone who has Matching Funds available through their workplace. While matching funds cannot support the Parish, we can use them for social service outreach programs. For example: Microsoft employees can donate through the Benevity Causes Portal to the St. Joseph Homeless Support Program. I'm also open to other suggestions for funding to keep our Shelter Ministry going.

My goal is to schedule a meeting during the summer with anyone interested in helping with the continued running of the Winter Shelter. If you are interested, please contact me at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org. We will have a meeting of interested folks on July 30th, Tuesday, at 7 pm in the Parish Center.

Blessings - Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

## **KINO Border Immersion Trip**

St. Joseph is planning an adults only parish border immersion with the Jesuit KINO Border Initiative (KBI) in Nogales, AZ USA and Nogales, Sonora Mexico - https://www.kinoborderinitiative.org. We would love for you to join us.

Date: November 9-12, Saturday through Tuesday.

Cost Estimate: \$625 to \$750 depending on accommodations (shared room in the Jesuit residence or a hotel room). This includes airfare from Seattle to Tucson.

Description of the Immersion and proposed itinerary:

- The KBI immersion is intended to humanize the immigration issue and to recognize its complexity, while emphasizing accompaniment of people on their journey. Over the course of the trip, there are spaces for reflection on the experiences and times to plan follow-up activities upon return.
- Proposed itinerary: Saturday Nov. 9 Arrival and orientation, plus settling in. Sunday Nov. 10 Desert hike, Mass with local rural community, chat with ranchers about their experiences in rural borderlands. Nov. 11 Full day in Nogales, Sonora at the Comedor and walking tour. Tuesday Nov. 12 Morning visit to Comedor, next steps planning, afternoon departure.

Any questions or RSVP, Vince Herberholt at vherberholt3@comcast.net or (206)491-4486. Please join us for an information meeting on Thursday, July 18th 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

#### **Noel House Volunteers Needed**

Noel House Programs, ran by Catholic Community Services, provides safe, comfortable shelter to a diverse community of homeless women, particularly those most vulnerable. Our parish serves a homemade meal to 20-30 residence at the Belltown shelter on the third Thursday of each month September to June.

Any assistance contributing dishes to our meal and or serving at the shelter in Belltown would be greatly appreciated. Join our summer volunteer BBQ potluck on August 22 from 6-8 pm (2207 Federal Ave E) to learn more and join this wonderful group of volunteers. Questions, Kristi Guo at kristimguo@gmail.com or Deacon Steve 206.965.1646.

## FAITH JUSTICE

### St. Joseph Immigration Ministry

As we continue our parish work on behalf of immigrant, refugee and asylum seeking families, we need to put together an Immigration Education, Advocacy and Action Team under our Faith Justice Commission. The purpose of this team would be to plan, promote and present programs that support immigrant communities through education, advocacy and action including collaborative action through ISN Jesuit Parish Network in the US.

#### Here is a list of activities that St. Joseph has been involved in the recent past:

- Supporting an Iraqi Family in housing across the street from the school with support from the International Rescue Committee (IRC) A Refugee Resettlement Organization.
- JustFaith Exploring Migration Small Group Faith Sharing Experience focused on Global Migration.
- Community forums on Immigration policy and Detention including a forum keynoted by Rep. Pramila Jayapal.
- Advocacy Activity on Detention Oversight and Family Separation shared with key members of the Washington State Congressional Delegation.
- A Pilgrimage with St. Leo Parish in Tacoma to the Northwest Detention Center in Tacoma.
- Outreach, relational and fundraising activities with local non-profits like Casa Latina and the Refugee Women's Alliance ReWA.

#### Here is a list of activities we are currently working:

- Fr. John has invited Nicky Smith to come and speak at Mass the weekend of July 20/21. We hope to take advantage of her expertise and passion to inspire our community to get re-energized and re-focused on our Immigration efforts in the parish. We also want to invite parishioners to financially support IRC's Welcome Home Fund.
- We are making plans to partner with Casa Latina in putting on a forum focusing on personal stories of Immigrants in our community. A date has not been set, but we are looking at the third week of August.
- We are sending a group to the border for an Immersion experience with the Kino-Border Initiative. If interested, we have an information meeting on Thursday, July 18th, at 7 pm in the Parish Center. The trip will take place Nov. 9-12.

Please consider joining this team as we begin planning for future activities and events. **The first meeting is Wednesday, July 24th, at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.** For details, contact Vince Herberholt at vherberholt3@comcast.net or Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646. RSVP's appreciated. This is an open meeting, so all are welcome.

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## 30 YEARS AS A SISTER PARISH



## Sustainable Livelihoods: A Path to Individual Economic Sustainability

You grew up in rural El Salvador. You've finished high school and maybe were able to attend some college, maybe not. What will you do with your future, when employment is hard to come by? Will you leave your family, your community, and travel to the "big city" with the hopes of a job? Maybe make the harrowing journey to the United States with an uncertain future? What if you could stay with your community and family, by creating a small business within that generates economic stability for you? This is a goal of the Sustainable Livelihoods Initiative. In partnership with Seattle University, St. Joseph formed a group of leaders from church, industry, and academia to create a micro-entrepreneurship initiative. Nearly a dozen projects have been funded (ranging from \$2,000 - \$6,000 in starting capital), including beekeeping, motorcycle parts and repair, and agricultural supplies and training. As we grow, we want to raise awareness about these initiatives. How can you get involved or learn more: reach out to sisterparish@stjosephparish.org? We'll follow up with you about how you can meet one of the SLI project leads and share their story with the St. Joseph community. You can also check out the SLI website www.sustainablelivelihoods. org/en

## St. Joseph Financial Update

By Marti McGuaghey, Pastoral Assistant for Administration

We are still busy working on getting the last receipts in for the FY 18/19 to complete our financials. However, our income is complete for last FY. We are going to have a shortfall of \$113,000 in ordinary income for our 2018/2019 budget. As you can see below, in the last 4 years we have not meaningfully increased our ordinary income. In fact we are down from FY 2017/2018. (As a reminder, ordinary income is the income that comes from directly from parishioners on Sundays, through online giving, and in our annual Fall Stewardship Campaign). Our programs, registered parishioners and mass attendance have all grown but our ordinary income is not rising.

The good news is with cuts to almost every expense, along with deferring most maintenance projects, we should not need to dip into savings this year.

The bad news is next year's budget is very tight to cover rising expenses such as benefits, school subsidy, and our archdiocesan assessment, etc. To balance our budget, we need to maintain the same income budget for next year, \$1,740,600.00. If we fall short in income next year, we will not be able to recoup that shortage in expenses as we have already trimmed them.

In addition we are still working on reaching our Annual Catholic Appeal goal. Remember this is our support of the larger church. May God help us in this good work, and so help us to make the Church what it can be, a place of healing and hope, especially for those most in danger of being forgotten. If you have not given yet, please help us reach our goal as we are currently about \$47,000 away.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions, comments or ideas. Email or call me at martim@ stjosephparish.org or 206.965.1648.

|                                | 2018/2019      | 2017/2018      | 2016/2017      | 2015/2016      | 2014/2015      |
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| Ordinary Income An overview of | \$1,623,212.80 | \$1,651,400.43 | \$1,562,506.46 | \$1,636,977.29 | \$1,501,350.93 |

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# Parish Life

#### **Seniors On The Go**

Wednesday, July 17th - Our Aging Gracefully Support Group meets at 11:00 am in the Arrupe Room. Snacks and coffee or tea is provided. Contact persons: Eleanor McCall at 206-325-4615 or franceschikahisa@me.com

Friday, August 2nd - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am. Please join us for Mass. (There will be NO luncheon after).

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers Prayer and hopes for the following intentions: For a young wife who had a miscarriage, we pray for her and her family's solace.



"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit."

~Psalm 34:18

Rest in Peace For Jean Louise Krsak, sister-in-law of Mimi Krsak, who died this week.

#### **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.

## **Young Adult Ministry**

Third Sunday Socials: Canterbury Ale House Sunday, July 21st - 6:30-8 p.m.

Looking to continue your fellowship outside of Mass? Join us for Third Sunday Socials at Canterbury Ale House (534 15th Ave E) on each third Sunday of the month. This is a casual, no-obligation, social way to connect. Open to all ages. Meet at the back of church after the 5:30pm Sunday Mass or meet us there. Questions? Reach out to Deacon Steve at 206.965.1646 or Stevew@stjosephparish.org

### **Young Adult River Float Trip**

Come join your fellow young adults for a day of fun in the sun, floating the Snoqualmie River on Saturday, July 20th, from 11am to 3pm in Fall City, WA (about a 40-minute drive from St Joseph). The river will be refreshingly cold, so a nice sunny day should make it great! The portion of the river we'll be floating is wide, deep, and safe for beginners. You can float the river in a tube, kayak, canoe, or stand up paddle board. Bring your own toy to float the river on - we will not have any floats to lend.

When: July 20, 2019 11 am - 3 pm Where: Snoqualmie River - Fall City, WA What: a river float, sunscreen, & river toys

Cost: \$0. You'll be responsible for bringing your own tube (easily found on Amazon, Target, Walmart)

How: RSVP by 7/15/2019 via Facebook

Questions: contact Patrick Mireur (pmireur@gmail.com)



## FAITH FORMATION

## **High School Confirmation**

St. Joseph's High School Confirmation Team is seeking new members to join our team. Yearly, 20-30 High School Youth receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We need vibrant faith-filled people to help form them in the faith. This is a 13-week preparation program with an offsite retreat. No teaching experience is necessary, but knowledge of the faith with a desire to ignite a spark of faith in others is. All volunteers are required to take the Archdiocese Safe Environment Class. If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Theresa Shepherd-Lukasik at theresal@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1651.



# IRC in Seattle FAST FACTS



#### ABOUT THE IRC IN SEATTLE

The International Rescue Committee (IRC) helps people in 40+ countries whose lives and livelihoods are shattered by conflict and disaster to survive, recover, and gain control of their future. Since 1976, the IRC in Seattle has helped thousands of refugees, immigrants, and survivors of all forms of human trafficking in Washington State. Through our person-centered programs, the IRC improves the health, safety, education, economic wellbeing, and power of the individuals and communities we serve.

#### **LOCAL PROGRAMS**

The IRC in Seattle is committed to creating a welcoming Washington by preserving and growing support systems for refugees, immigrants, and survivors of human trafficking in our state.

IRC case managers help newcomers immediately upon arrival by securing housing, helping people learn to navigate their new home and community, helping people find jobs, enrolling kids in school, and more.

In addition to welcoming hundreds of newcomers to Washington each year, we serve 2,500 other community members through a wide range of services that help people achieve their goals. Whether that's advancing their careers, building new skills, managing health concerns, reuniting with family, or working toward U.S. citizenship, the IRC is here to help.

We continuously grow and adapt our culturally and linguistically responsive services to address emerging needs identified by the people we serve.



- Case management for refugees & SIVs, trafficking survivors, people experiencing harm or other needs
- Cultural & community orientation
- Housing placement & support



- Healthcare navigation & referrals
- Community gardens & farm stands
- Food security & health education
- Family wellness programs
- · Parenting & early childhood support



- Job readiness & placement services
- Professional development support
- Job skills training & credentialing
- · Career mentoring & networking
- Financial literacy & coaching



- School orientation & enrollment
- · Academic & ESL tutoring
- Youth college & career readiness
- Summer enrichment activities
- Field trips & community exploration



- Immigration & naturalization services
- · Family reunification
- Civics & citizenship classes
- Advocacy opportunities
- · Know-your-rights education

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#### 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

Welcomed 80 new refugee families of 13 nationalities to Washington State. Primarily nationalities included Afghanistan, Myanmar, Democratic Republic of Congo, Eritrea, and Ukraine.

Helped 85 women and men find their first jobs in the United States and helped 95 more advance their careers through skills training, networking events, and other professional development opportunities.

Helped 400 refugee youth gain skills needed to thrive in their new schools and communities.

Helped 130 people with critical health or safety needs access care and resources through the IRC's growing long-term case management and wellness services for vulnerable families.

Helped 80 survivors of human trafficking find safety and access services.

Helped 150 families grow their own organic produce and access healthy activities through the IRC's New Roots Program.

Helped more than 100 refugee elders explore the Pacific Northwest and engage in activities together.

Helped 400 refugee and immigrant community members become naturalized U.S. citizens.

Received invaluable support from 600+ community volunteers, who contributed thousands of hours welcoming newcomers to our state.



#### **GET IN TOUCH**



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