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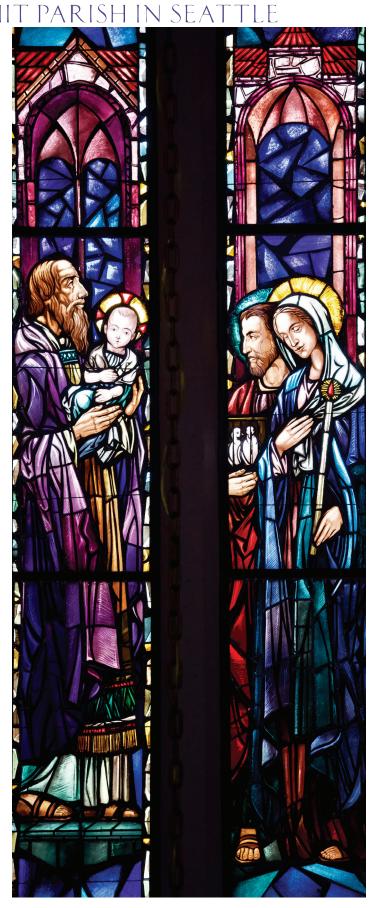


St. Joseph Parish





"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted."



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FEBRUARY 2, 2020

Homily This Week: Glen Butterworth, S.J. Homily Next Week: Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

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

Readings for February 9, 2020

First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

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 Seed of God

I had grasped God's garment in the void but my hand slipped on the rich silk of it. The 'everlasting arms' my sister loved to remember must have upheld my leaden weight from falling, even so, or though I claw at empty air and feel nothing, no embrace, I have not plummeted.

-Denise Levertov-

In the south transept of St. Joseph Church stand a bank of beautiful stained glass windows, in which are depicted nine men. In the center is St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuits, dressed as though he were about to preside at Eucharist, and holding up one hand in blessing. On either side, however, are an odder assortment—some in buckskin and some in the old-style Jesuit cassocks with capes on their shoulders, and some in purple stole and surplice, as though ready to hear confessions. Known collectively as the North American Martyrs, these eight Jesuits include six priests and two lay brothers, all of whom were killed in what is today Canada and upstate New York during the period of 1646-1649, while living and working among the Huron, the Iroquois, the Algonquin, and the Mohawk people. Their's was not an easy mission, and they were often caught up in conflict—either between various Native communities, or between the Natives and the encroaching colonists. Yet, they came to love the people with whom they lived, and while the progress of their mission seemed sometimes painfully slow, they remained committed to it, even to their death—a dedication most dramatically illustrated by the story of St. Isaac Jogues.

Taken prisoner by the Mohawks, during a raid on the Huron village where he lived, Jogues was presumed by his superiors to have been killed. Instead, however, he was held for several months, suffering tortures—including being run through a gauntlet and having his thumbs bitten off so that he could not hold his fingers in the way prescribed to say Mass. Yet, during this time, he was also cared for by an elderly Mohawk woman whom he came to call his "Aunt." Eventually, with the help of this Aunt and various Huron prisoners, Jogues escaped and made his way to a Dutch trading ship, which brought him back, after many months, to France. There, one rainy night, he knocked at the door of a Jesuit community, and was almost refused entry because of the hour. Only when he said, "It is Father Jogues," did the porter relent and let him in. Then, and for months to come, he was welcomed home like one back from the dead. Praised and honored as a celebrity, Jogues recovered slowly, and received permission from the Pope to say Mass, even with his mangled hands. But eventually, moved by the love of the people he had left, he receive permission to return to New France, and so went back to live at the longhouse of his Mohawk Aunt. There after just a few months of ministry, he was killed by a young Mohawk warrior, who blamed the bad magic of Jogues' Mass kit for the drought they were suffering. In his ten years among the Iroquois nations, Jogues

had managed to win just 60 converts to Christianity, yet by his kindness, he had won the loyalty of many others. Thus, his death was bitter for many, and members of the Huron and Algonquin tribes sought to kill the murderer. But the Jesuits protected Jogues' killer from revenge and sent him back to his home, where, in the end, he became a Christian himself—converted to the faith by the teaching of Jogues' own beloved "Auntie."

This is the wonder of the North American Martyrs and the reason why their windows are appropriately placed near the altar at St. Joseph's: for though Jogues and his companions were, in most measurable ways, failures during their lifetime, their witness of love and mercy, as well as their integrity of life, planted a seed that bore fruit in ways and places they could never have imagined. Almost two centuries later—while the Jesuits themselves had gone through Suppression and Restoration—Iroquois and Mohawk trappers, who had received the Catholic faith in a line from those first martyrs, traveled west to the Rocky Mountains in pursuit of beaver pelts for the European market. Led by an Iroquois known as "Old Ignace," these trappers encountered the Flathead People, in what is today central Montana. Staying with the Flathead, they told them the Bible stories they had learned and taught them the prayers and teachings of the Catholic faith, and thus became a key source by which Catholicism entered the Northwest. They encouraged the Flathead to seek out the Blackrobes (i.e., the Jesuits), who would bring them the Sacraments of Christ. And in the years to come, three delegations would be sent to St. Louis, each one asking for the Blackrobes and being told by the Jesuit leadership that they had no one to send. Finally, however, Pierre De Smet (without, it seems, the clear permission of his superiors) relented and journeyed with the delegates back to their home, where he established the first mission in the Rockies, at what would come to be called St. Mary's, Montana. From there, the Rocky Mountain Mission grew, as Jesuits reached out to the Blackfeet and the Nez Perce tribes, and in 1886, founded Gonzaga College to aid in the education of Native Peoples. At the same time, Jesuits from the Northwest went to California, to serve the immigrants arriving for the gold rush, and to the newly founded Seattle, where, in 1891, they took over Immaculate Conception School and Parish, later renaming the school, Seattle College. All of this activity can be traced to the apparently failed mission of the North American Martyrs, and to the power of the Holy Spirit, who—even when our hold seems to have slipped and "we claw at empty air"—does not let us fall.

The Rocky Mountain Mission, begun through the persistence of "Old Ignace" and the people he brought to faith—those who sought out the Jesuits and would not

take "No" for an answer—grew to encompass the entire west coast, until it was eventually divided into two Provinces: the California Province in the south, and the Oregon Province in the North. This Sunday, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, would have been the 89th birthday of the Oregon Province, and while the region that was once the Rocky Mountain Mission has again been reunited as Jesuits West, I still stand awed by the surprising movements of this history of grace—from France to New France, from Canada to Montana, from St. Louis to Seattle, from the Rocky Mountain Mission to the Oregon Province to Jesuits West—and I am amazed at how much the People of God in this region have been blessed by those outside the organizational structures of the Jesuits or even the official Church. For it was not Jesuits who brought the faith to the Northwest, but those lay Iroquois trappers, ordained only by their baptism. The Jesuits came because they were called, just as Jogues and his companions were called, to minister to what the Holy Spirit had already planted. We do well to remember this history, and to trust that God is at work among us, even when things seem difficult and the value and the victory of our Christian faith seems imperiled. The Holy Spirit works in the Church, but does not depend on official channels, and raises up what seems broken into the very victory of grace. In the words of St. Paul, which may apply to all of us who may feel downhearted, at times: "we commend ourselves as ministers of God, through much endurance, in afflictions, hardships, constraints, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, vigils, fasts; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, in a holy spirit, in unfeigned love, in truthful speech, in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness at the right and at the left; through glory and dishonor, insult and praise. We are treated as deceivers and yet are truthful; as unrecognized and yet acknowledged; as dying and behold we live; as chastised and yet not put to death; as sorrowful yet always rejoicing; as poor yet enriching many; as having nothing and yet possessing all things" (2 Corinthians 6:4-10).

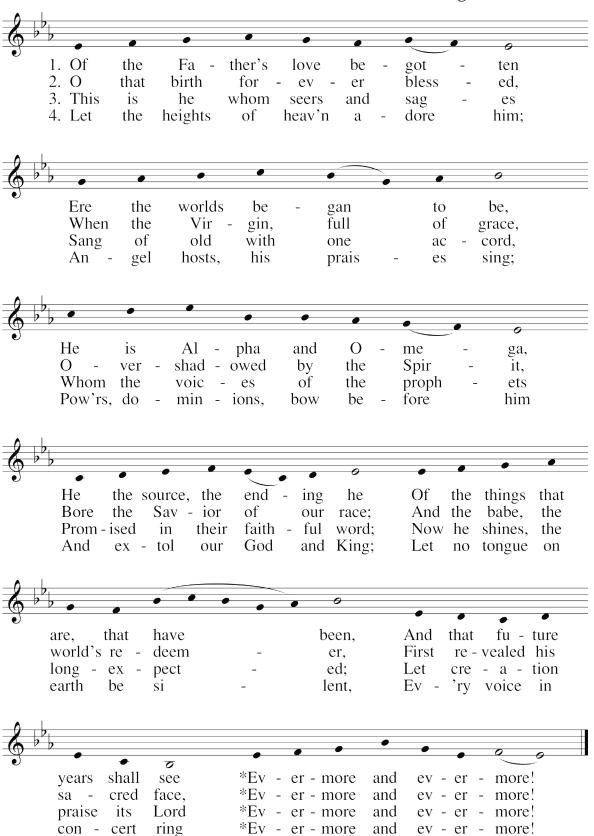
These days, when I look at the windows in the transept of St. Joseph, I recognize that we are the product of a history of grace that at times seems failed and insufficient, but is only the seed of God, waiting in this winter ground, for the fullness of its blooming.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

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

Entrance & Blessing of Candles Of the Father's Love Begotten

Proulx



Malachi 3:1-4

First Reading

Thus says the Lord God:

Lo, I am sending my messenger

to prepare the way before me;

And suddenly there will come to the temple

the LORD whom you seek,

And the messenger of the covenant whom you desire. Yes, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.

But who will endure the day of his coming?

And who can stand when he appears?

For he is like the refiner's fire, or like the fuller's lye.

He will sit refining and purifying silver,
and he will purify the sons of Levi,
Refining them like gold or like silver
that they may offer due sacrifice to the LORD.
Then the sacrifice of Judah and Jerusalem
will please the LORD,

as in the days of old, as in years gone by.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24

Guimont



O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! *Ref*.

Who is this king of glory? The LORD, the mighty, the valiant; the LORD, the valiant in war. *Ref.*

O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! *Ref*.

Who is this king of glory? He, the LORD of hosts, he is the king of glory. *Ref.*

Second Reading

Hebrews 2:14-18

Since the children share in blood and flesh, Jesus likewise shared in them, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the Devil, and free those who through fear of death had been subject to slavery all their life. Surely he did not help angels but rather the descendants of Abraham; therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God to expiate the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.



A light of revelation to the Gentiles and glory for your people Israel.

Gospel Luke 2:22-32

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph took Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord, and to offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."

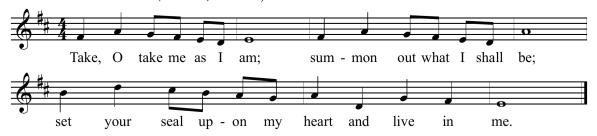
Homily

Glen Butterworth, S.J.

Dismissal

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

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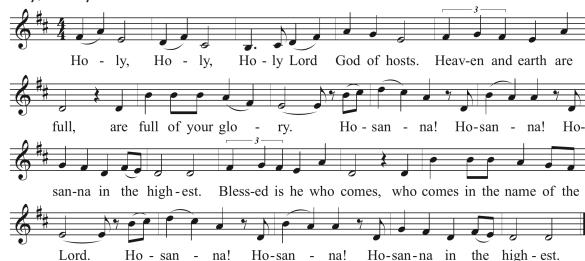


- 1. Now, Lord, you have kept your word: let your servant go in peace. Ref.
- 2. With my own eyes I have seen the salvation which you prepared in the sight of us all. Ref.
- 3. A light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Ref.



Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass Of Christ the Savior



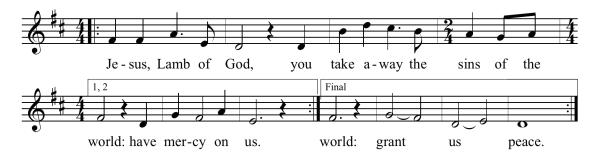
Mystery of Faith



Great Amen



Lamb of God



All Are Invited To Come Forward

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

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



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Song Of Praise/Recessional Christ Be Our Light

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St. Joseph Financial Update

Hello everyone, I hope you had a wonderful Holiday season and enjoyed the sprinkling of snow we received. Our stewardship drive has gone well this year. So far we received pledges totaling \$1,177,000 made by 654 Parishioners. This represents 39% of active parishioners. Last year's stewardship drive were pledges totaling \$921,000 from 741 parishioners. My goal is to increase the number of parishioners responding to our campaign, I'm hoping to reach 60% participation of our 1,677 active parishioners. I would love to hear from another 200+ parishioners! It is important that we hear from and that you plan on being active this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out. I am available by email, marti@stjosephparish.org or phone, 206-965-1648.

While we are still running about \$50,000 short of our budget, we did see a small uptick in our December ordinary income from last year, which makes me optimistic. We continue to keep expenses down with the exception of a few new surprises in our parish elevator and computer maintenance.

I am also happy to report that we have paid off our "Paint the Church" loan as the last of our pledges are coming in. We are now shopping for a new bus even possibly a quality used bus. The only negative I have to report is that we are still short \$8,700 on last year's Annual Catholic Appeal. We will need to pay this shortage in the spring. The 2020 Annual Catholic appeal will begin in April with a whole new goal. As always, my door is open, please feel free to drop by or call me!

Current Fiscal Year to 12/19		Budget	Difference
Ordinary Income	\$861,688.06	\$931,000.00	(\$69,311.94)
Donations and Fundraisers	\$41,081.64	\$24,004.00	\$17,077.64
Business Income	\$451.00	\$0.00	\$451.00
Proceeds from Endowment	\$16,381.96	\$16,000.00	\$381.96
Total	\$919,602.66	\$971,004.00	(\$51,401.34)

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Let us thank all those who teach in Catholic schools. Educating is an act of love; it is like giving life.

~Pope Francis

STEWARDSHIP

Many, many thanks to all who have made gifts and pledges to our annual stewardship appeal. **To date, we have received 654 pledges which is 39% of our families, totaling \$1,177,943 toward our goal of \$1,700,000.** We are endlessly grateful for your commitment to St. Joseph Parish! If you haven't yet affirmed your active membership in our parish, please do so, and prayerfully consider what, if any, gift you are able to give to support our work.

A million thanks to: Gabriel Albacarys & Emily Reynolds, Edmund & Jill Allen, Riley & Elizabeth Althauser, Ryan Anderton, Justin Arbogast, Brian Arnold & Jennifer Schultz, Michael and Madeleine Arvold, Joe & Brenda Augustavo, Matthew Bartoloni, Will & Emily Bassett, Paul Battaglia, Marc & Heidi Baxter, Jacob & Sara Bayless da Costa, Michelle Beauclair, David & Karen Beaudry, James Berry, Richard & Madeline Bersamina, Sally Ann Birks, Robert Branson & Judith Raab, Martin & Kelsey Brantner, Sean & Gretchen Brennan, Brian & Laurel Buckner, Michael & Joanne Burgess, Anthony Buri, Sean & Julie Burrow, James & Joyce Carey, Arthur Chapman, James Chesko & Amy Schaefer, Frances Chikahisa, Gordon Coffey, Joyce Colella, Chuck & Nancy Collins, Carolyn Conway, Thomas & Hope Cooper, Marguerite Crowley Weibel, Joseph Crowley & Jean Marie Crowley-Dreyer, Hank & Megan Cycyota, Thomas & Josephine Daly, Kristen Danforth, Victor & Annie Delucchi, Brian & Patricia DesRoches, Matthew Doerksen & Diep Nguyen, Chic and Elizabeth Dohoney, Steve Doub & Ranleigh Starling, Richard Draves & Martha Patterson Draves, Patricia Drayer, Barrett & Amy Eastwood, Bruce Ecord, Jon Ellis & Vicki Anderson-Ellis, Jason & Carly Elrod, Robert & Nancy Evanson, Vincent Fan & Sarah Rafton, Kevin & Dottie Farewell, James Farnsworth & Melati Baybars, Robin Federico & Kathleen Heerschap, Ralph Feriani, Jr., Vince & Amber Ferrese, Mark Firmani & Joy Portella, John & Nancy Fisk, David & Gabrielle Fitzgerald, David and Martha Fitzpatrick, Sean & Jamie Flynn, Keith Forslund & Laurie Breidenbach, Mark & Jami Fox, Alyson Frei, Robby & Melissa Frondozo, Rachel Gallaher, Michael Gebretsadik & Teresa Matt, Connor Gibb, Mike & Kari Ginal, John Goebel & Suzanne Long, Domingo & Dawn Gomez, Gary Graf, Matthew & Carrie Graham, Chris & Julie Thenell Grasseschi, Gil Greenman & Lisa Vila, John Gregory & Elizabeth Phillips, Edward & Victoria Gross, Kim Gualdoni, Russell & Corinne Hagen, Brian Hanson, C. 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If you don't see your name in this list or the lists that have been printed in the last few months, please give Mary Wiseman a call or email, maryw@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1654. We would love to hear from you!

St. Joseph Parish

Christ leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others.

Parish Life



Seniors On The Go

Friday, February 7th - Anointing Mass at 11:30 am, then join us for a delicious luncheon in the Parish Center. All are welcome! Please feel free to park in the parking lot and take the elevator up.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Please join the Prayer Shawl Ministry. We meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month in the Brebuef Room of the Parish Center at 7pm. We have yarn, needles and patterns. If you do not know how to knit or crochet, we can teach you. All are welcome on Tuesday, February 4th we would love to meet you.

If you would like a Prayer Shawl for yourself or someone you know, email prayershawl@stjosephparish.org

Young Adult Ministry

Soulful Soups

Soulful Soups is Back!

Come and break bread with us! Join the St. Joseph Young Adult community for family style dinners every other week (late October through February). **The next Soulful Soups will take place in the Social Hall at 7 pm on February 3rd.** You are welcome to bring a drink, side, or salad to share. We take turns providing the soup, and you can sign up to bring soup at https://tinyurl.com/soulfulsoup. Email Callie Turgeon with any questions (cturgeon10@gmail.com).

Third Sunday Socials: February 16th - 6:30-8:00 pm - Zeeks Pizza

New to St Joseph? Not new to St. Joseph? Looking to continue your fellowship outside of Mass? Join us for Third Sunday Socials at Zeeks Pizzeria (1830 E. Mercer St.) on each third Sunday of the month. This is a casual, no-obligation, social way to connect with fellow St. Joseph Catholics. Open to all ages. Meet at the back of church after the 5:30 pm Sunday Mass or meet us there. For details contact youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org

SAVE THE DATE: St. Joseph St. Patrick's Day Party

Saturday March 7, 2020 - 6:00 - 9:00 pm - Social Hall

If you would like to help with the planning and volunteer at the party, contact Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org and join us at our upcoming planning meeting on Sunday, February 9th at 10:15 am on the stage in the Social Hall.



Sister Parish Ministry

Did you hear Padre Miguel at Mass this fall? Or join us for the evening of Pupusas and stories as we celebrated 30 years in solidarity with our Sister Parish in El Salvador?

Our next Sister Parish Ministry meeting is **Saturday, February 8th from 3 - 4:30 pm in the Parish Center.** We will be discussing the covenant guiding the relationship and the projects that we would like to address in the coming year. If you have been interested in our Sister Parish Ministry, please join! All are welcome, even if you have never come to a meeting before! For more information, contact Sam Kennedy at samkennedy09@gmail.com

FOLLOW ST. JOSEPH ON FACEBOOK

Did you know that St. Joseph has a Facebook page? Check out our posted pics and inspirational shares on our Jesuit identity. Additionally, information about events at the parish are updated regularly. And while you're at it, please "like" us.

Check us out at: www.facebook.com/stjosephseattle

FAITH FORMATION



Children's Faith Formation

We love your kids! We also know it can be a challenge to entertain them while at Mass. Would you like to attend the 9 am Mass without entertaining your toddler? St. Joseph has a plan for that! Enroll your child in our St. Joseph Faith Formation classes. We have creative and age-appropriate classes for children of all ages. We offer classes for PreK and Kindergarteners during the 9 am mass and classes for 1st through 8th grade between the 9 am mass and the 11 am mass. Check out the "Faith Formation" tab on our website for more information.



Online Scripture Reflection

Did you know that St. Joseph 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 enewsletter that is sent out on Thursday, just click the button that says "Online Bible Study".

https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.wordpress.com/

PATHFINDERS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:

Come join us on Wednesday, February 5th for an Adults vs. Kids GAME NIGHT! We will be playing "Are you smarter than a 6th/7th grader?" and "Speak Out" in addition to other fun activities!

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Altar Servers Needed!

Altar Servers are needed for the 11 am Sunday and 5 pm Saturday masses. Altar servers are usually in the range of 5th-8th grade and can be enrolled in St. Joseph School, another school, or schooled at home. If your child is already trained and able to serve, please contact Claire Hansen to be added to the schedule! If your child is interested in being trained, please mark your calendars for a training on Sunday, February 23rd from 11am to 1:30 pm. For more information and a set of registration forms, contact Claire Hansen (Director of Youth Faith Formation) at claireh@stjosephparish.org





FAITH JUSTICE

Immigration & Refugee Support Meeting

Thurs., February 20th, 7:00 pm - 9:00 - Parish Center

If you are interested in learning about or being involved in our parish efforts on the issue of immigration reform and supporting our refugee brothers and sisters, please join us! We are currently discerning how to partner with KINO Border Initiative, Casa Latina and organizing another parish delegation to the border.

For more information, contact, Deacon Steve at 206-965-1646 or stevew@stjosephparish.org

JVC Northwest

Please join us for a Meet and Greet with JVC
Northwest's new Executive Director, Greg Carpinello!
Monday, February 3, 2020
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Arrupe Room
Appetizers, beer, and wine will be served.
All are welcome!

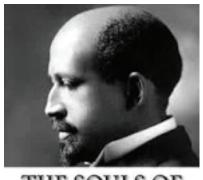


This weekend is our monthly St. Vincent de Paul collection! Join us in helping our neighbors.



Racial Justice Book Group

Our book for discussion February 11, 7pm in the Parish Center is *The Souls of Black Folk* by W. E. B. Du Bois. We will also be choosing titles/videos for discussion in March, April and May. All are welcome, even if you have never come to a meeting before! Please join us!



THE SOULS OF BLACK FOLK W.E.B. Du Bois



Volunteers Needed

2nd SATURDAY MEALS AT ST. MARTIN DE PORRES SHELTER

St. Joseph's Parish provides a meal to the men at St. Martin de Porres Shelter every Saturday night. We have four teams, one for each Saturday of the month. We are looking for parishioners to join the 2nd Saturday team. To go to the shelter and serve (5:45 pm – 8:15 pm). Or to contribute food items: milk, ice cream, fruit, hardboiled eggs, sandwiches, hot dogs, lasagna, etc. it varies from team to team.

We usually serve between 150-220 men a night. This is a great opportunity to serve as a family or with a group of friends. If you would like to learn more or volunteer, contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

FAITH JUSTICE

A Note From Deacon Steve

Hello Friends,

Blessings to you and your family in 2020. I want to extend an invitation for you to join me at my table for TOAST FOR NOLA. Most of you are familiar with the incredible work this organization has done in building up our youth as leaders thru service. Born out of our St. Joseph's Youth Group THE VOICE... under the vision and dedication of former St. Joseph's Staff member, Randy Novak, now Executive Director of Shirts Across America.

I have such wonderful memories of working side by side with youth and always carry with me a place in my heart for the residents of New Orleans and how SAA opened my eyes to on-going economic and racial inequities in our society. My trip to the Whitney Plantation is something I'll never forget and hanging on my office lamp is the lanyard from my experience there.

I'm hoping we can get a good showing from the parish to come out and show our gratitude for Randy and SAA and to show our support for the future of America Our Youth! Our Guest speaker will be the Executive Director of NOLA's Habitat for Humanity who will discuss SAA's impact on New Orleans.

If you know of someone else who might be interested in coming to this, please pass along their info to me or contact them yourselves.

If you want to sit at my table, go to this link http://shirtsacrossamerica.org/toast-for-nola/ Put my name in the space of "who invited you", and you will be placed at my table

To learn more about Shirts Across America, visit http://shirtsacrossamerica.org/.

Blessings, Deacon Steve Wodzanowski 206-965-1646

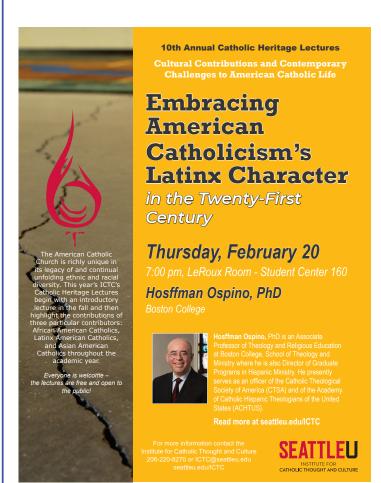




Hospital Ministry

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





LITURGY AND WORSHIP

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.

Prayer Tree

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For those in recovery from various surgeries, may they heal well and grow in strength . . . For those who

are adjusting to new surroundings and challenges, may they join in various interests to meet new people and to expand their horizon.

"I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had absolutely no other place to go."

~ Abraham Lincoln

New Choir Members Needed!

The St. Joseph 9 am choir is seeking new singers to join us for this next part of the church year: winter ordinary time, Lent and Easter. There are openings for men and women in all voice parts. To schedule an audition please contact director of Music Robert McCaffery-Lent Rmclent@stjosephparish.org 206-965-1649 or sign up at the parish website. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings.



Parish Holy Hour

Thursday, February 6th, 7-8 pm, join the Choose Life Ministry for a Rosary with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Loyola Chapel of the Parish Center. All are welcome!

Recorded Homilies - Help needed

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

Faith Formation is looking for a team of people to help us record the homilies. We record at the 5:30 pm Mass or at the 11:00 am. If you would be interested in learning how to do this, please contact Theresal@stjosephparish.org