

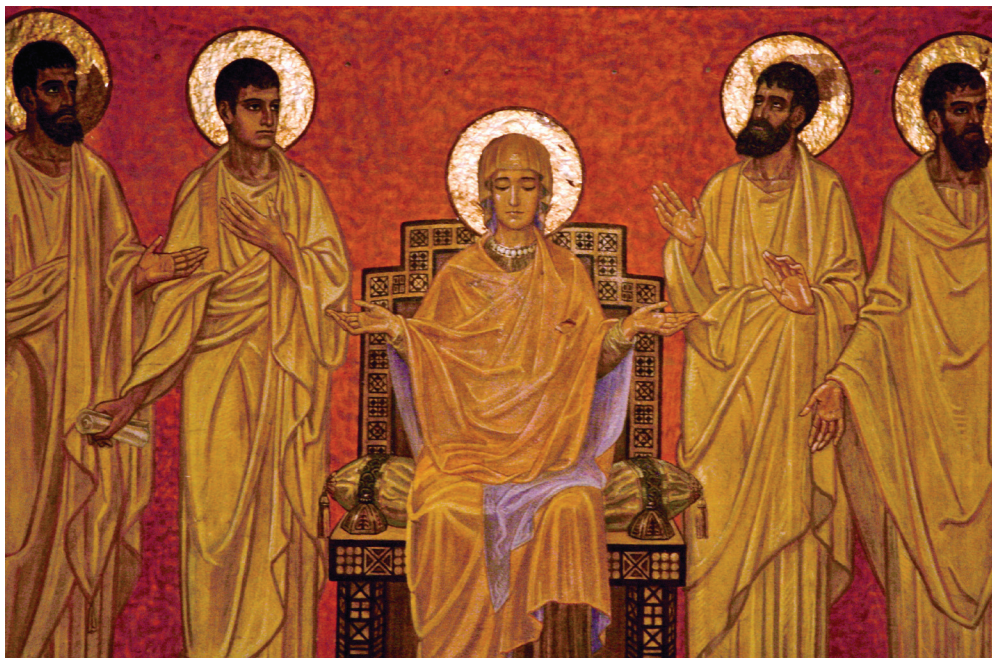
Sunday, February 9, 2020 * Fifth Sunday of the Year * www.stjosephparish.org

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*"You are the light of the world.
A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden.
Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a
bushel basket."*



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 9, 2020

Homily This Week: Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

Homily Next Week: Glen Butterworth, S.J.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5 pm

Sunday - 9 & 11 am & 5:30 pm

Readings for February 16, 2020

FIRST READING: SIRACH 15:15-20

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 2:6-10

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:17-37

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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Saturday - 9 am - 1 pm

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The Story We Need

We might think, for example, that what is wrong with literal discussions of the Christian Gospels is that they are oversimplified. Instead of reducing their purpose to the easy optimism of some popular American preachers, or to the easy pessimism of some Calvinists, we should extract some-thing more subtle: let us say, "The world is perpetually and simultaneously both accursed and redeemed, and there is no redemption except through immense suffering." . . . Without denigrating such accounts, we can see that they lack something that people know together when, in answer to the question "What is the life of a human being?" they answer, "There was once in Bethlehem. . ."

-Wayne Booth-

Recently, during one of those wonderfully rambling conversations that occur on a rainy day, a friend and I began to talk about which books have most influenced our lives, and how. It was a great and surprisingly difficult question for me, one that left me befuddled throughout the afternoon and well into the evening. It isn't that I could not remember any of the favorite titles from my life—those came easily enough. There are many novels and stories from childhood or from school that have a deep place in my heart, and many other collections of essays or philosophy texts that I know have been influential. Yet, if the titles come easily to mind, the question of *how* those works have shaped or changed my vision of the world is a far more difficult question, a question I am still not sure I can sort out. Thinking about it, I realize that the most important books in my life have often been the most insidious—sinking into my brain and my heart over years, in such a way that I can barely now imagine who I was before they came to me. They are like those friends whom one has loved for a long time, who are so much a part of life that it is almost impossible to remember what life was like—what I was like—before I knew them. And yet, examining these old friends, and remembering how they first came to me and what they did to bless my life and shape it into what it has become, seems a valuable exercise—if only to remind me that I am, as the prayer of the Mass says, *"fruit of the earth and work of human hands."* None of us is self-creating, nor is our character simply a SIM card dropped into us by God or chosen by us when we turn 18; rather, many hands and many stories help us grow into the people we become, and some of those who plant the seeds or tell the stories (at least for me) arrive in our lives through the pages of books.

Unlike movies or television, which seem to come at us whether we want them or not, books are relational, requiring us to engage through the activity of reading. We never plant ourselves in front of a book and say, *"Entertain me!"* Rather, we open the pages and move inside, forced, as it were, to be part of the creation of a narrative world—not just receivers of someone else's creation. This is why, though television was a big part of my childhood, I consider myself especially lucky to have grown up in a house filled with books and with parents who loved to read. Almost every night, after he had said his prayers, I would find my father sitting up in bed, with a book of history or historical fiction in front of him. Likewise, my mother

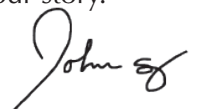
always kept a mystery novel—preferably one by Agatha Christie—on the table beside her chair, and could often be found reading as dinner cooked away in the oven. Not only that, but they also encouraged me and my siblings in our own addiction to books. Each Christmas, we would each get a book among our other gifts, and when we were in school, whenever the Scholastic Book Catalogue would come out, I could be assured that my parents would let me order anything I wanted, so long as I promised to read what I ordered. Thus, I would always order the ten books required to get a free one, and then would wait anxiously until the boxes arrived in our class and the teacher would pass out the titles each of us had ordered. I still remember the thrill of that box arriving at school, and how wonderful it felt to run out to the car, my arms loaded with new volumes, all waiting to be read, with worlds and stories waiting to be entered.

Even today, I can recall many of the titles I received in this way—*The Island of the Blue Dolphin* and *Up Periscope*, *The Other Side of the Mountain* and *The Adventures of Encyclopedia Brown*. And I remember other books, not purchased through Scholastic Book Club, but that I heard read by my teachers in class—usually after lunch with our heads down on our desks. Then the words could wash over us, and we would no longer be in that crowded classroom, but somewhere else, encountering worlds and ideas hidden in the encounter that we shared with the author. It was in this way that I first discovered Madeline L'Engle's *A Wrinkle in Time*. And as I sat there, my head on my arms, I was also with Meg and her friends, in the field behind their house and looking out at a foreign world where every ball must bounce together and every rope skip in unison. That experience of horror and that call to heroism, came to me then—comes to me now—with a vibrancy and sense of immediacy that no movie could ever achieve, for it was my story and what I saw was my experience. Recalling these moments today, I know that this book changed me—forming me and educating me in ways that cannot be easily summarized, ways that continue to resonate even in my sixties. Nor was *A Wrinkle in Time* the last of such books, but that experience of narrative transformation has continued throughout my life. I think of *The Lord of the Rings* (the books, again, not the movies) and the way it still shapes my sense of sacrifice as suffering for the sake of love. I think of the writing of Albert Camus, especially in *The Plague*, whose powerful storytelling—even in translation—left me seeing the world differently, with a bit of an Existentialist hangover that has never quite gone away. I think of Joyce's *Ulysses* and Borges' *Ficciones*, which helped me fall in love with the music of language and the bizarreness of the world. And I think of the gospels, which have called me to follow not a series of precepts or dogmas, but Jesus of Nazareth,

a human being, in whom the fullness of God dwells, and who is revealed only by this narrative encounter, i.e., only when his story is blended with my own.

We can forget, sometimes, that our Catholic identity is rooted not in some clear and distinct theological and dogmatic ideas, but in the story of Jesus Christ and the unfolding story of the Church, i.e., the People of God. Ideas, dogmas, theological schemas: all may arise from our reading of the story of Jesus, but they are always just approximations—attempts to synthesize and reduce to a “yes” or “no” framework something which is, by its very nature, as complex, as open to various and varied interpretations as is the human experience itself. Jesus doesn't come into the world with a white-board to explain everything to us, once and for all; but comes with a story, and leaves his story behind, to be told until the end of days. And while the teachings and the precepts may be important, what connects us to Christ is his story, as it is told by those who loved him and received by us; a story into which we are called to enter and make our own. In the end, the message of Christianity—including Catholicism—is that the complex revelation present in a human being and in a human community cannot be reduced to any idea or summarizing principle. The narrative character of Catholicism means that truth emerges only in the dynamic interplay of everything human—thought and feeling, intuition and rationality, science and poetry, action and reflection, gender and transcendence, individuality and community—which only our story can bear. Or, as St. Irenaeus says more succinctly: “*The glory of God is the human person fully alive.*”

In these days of competing ideologies and systems, there is a temptation to equate certainty of facts with the fullness of truth, and so to reduce the value of story to something less important and less true. We want definite answers—a “yes” or a “no”—which ideology too easily supplies. But what if the deepest truth of this world, and our deepest truth, cannot be reduced to bumper sticker aphorisms or 280 character tweets? What if truth requires engagement and encounter, like a book that needs to be opened and read, like a story that needs to be heard and told, over and over again—and whose meaning changes us, and changes in us, in ways we may not ever fully fathom? Then, if we want truth, we should read great stories—by Dostoyevski and Camus, L'Engle and Austen, Baldwin and Borges, and anyone else who opens our heart. And if we want true religion, we should read the gospels—not to sift out the rules or look for the loopholes, but to encounter the humanity of our God, whose Word longs to become part of our story.



FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Entrance Song

We Are the Light Of the World

Greif

Verses

1. Bless - ed are they who are poor in spir - it,
2. Bless - ed are they who are meek and hum - ble,
3. Bless - ed are they who will mourn in sor - row,
4. Bless those who hun - ger and thirst for jus - tice,

Theirs is the king - dom of God. Bless us, O Lord, make us
They will in - her - it the earth. Bless us, O Lord, make us
They will be com - fort - ed. Bless us, O Lord, when we
They will be sat - is - fied. Bless us, O Lord, hear our

poor in spir - it; Bless us, O Lord, our God.
meek and hum - ble; Bless us, O Lord, our God.
share their sor - row; Bless us, O Lord, our God.
cry for jus - tice; Bless us, O Lord, our God.

Refrain

We are the light of the world, May our light shine be - fore all,
That they may see the good that we do, And give glo - ry to God.

Gloria

See Cards In Pews

First Reading

Isaiah 58:7-10

Thus says the LORD:

Share your bread with the hungry,
shelter the oppressed and the homeless;
clothe the naked when you see them,
and do not turn your back on your own.
Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your wound shall quickly be healed;
your vindication shall go before you,
and the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;
you shall cry for help, and he will say: Here I am!
If you remove from your midst
oppression, false accusation and malicious speech;
if you bestow your bread on the hungry
and satisfy the afflicted;
then light shall rise for you in the darkness,
and the gloom shall become for you like midday.



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 112

Guimont



They are lights in the darkness for the upright; they are generous, merciful and just.
Good people take pity and lend, they conduct their affairs with honor. *Ref.*

The just will never waver, they will be remembered forever.
They have no fear of evil news; with firm hearts they trust in the Lord. *Ref.*

With steadfast hearts they will not fear. Openhanded, they give to the poor;
Their justice stands firm forever. their heads will be raised in glory. *Ref.*

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling, and my message and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of Spirit and power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia 7

Berthier



I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Gospel

Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

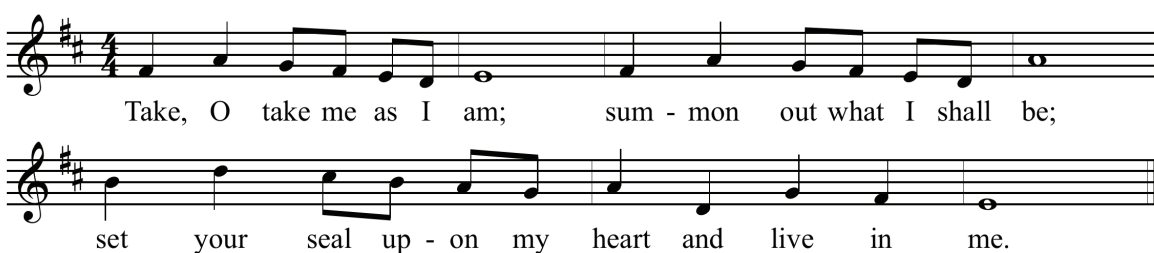
Homily

Deacon Steve Wodzanowski

Dismissal

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

Bell



Offertory Song Choral/Cantor Anthem: Jesu Joy Of Our Desiring

Jesu, joy of our desiring. Holy wisdom, love most bright,
Drawn by thee, our souls aspiring soar to uncreated light.

Schon/JS Bach/Bridges

Word of God our flesh that fashioned with the fire of life impassioned
Striving still to truth unknown, soaring, dying, round Thy throne.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass Of Christ the Savior

Schutte

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are
full, are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na! Ho-san - na! Ho-
san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na! Ho-san - na! Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Mystery of Faith

When we eat this_ bread, and drink this cup,___ we pro-
claim your death O Lord,___ un - til you come a___ gain.

Great Amen

A - men. A - men. A - - - men.

Lamb of God

Je - sus, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world: have mer-cy on us. world: grant us peace.

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

Take and Eat This Bread

Tate

Take and eat this bread; this is my bod-y. Take and drink this cup; this is my blood. When you do this, do this in re - mem-brance of me.

Blest Are They

Haas

1. Blest are they, the poor in spi - rit; theirs is the
 2. Blest are they, the low - ly ones; they shall in -
 3. Blest are they who show mer - cy, they shall in -
 4. Blest are they who seek peace; they are the
 5. Blest are they who suf - fer hate, all be -

king - dom of God. Blest are they,
 her - it the earth. Blest are they who
 shall be theirs. Blest are they the
 child - ren of God. Blest are they who
 cause of me. Re - jice be glad;

full of sor - row; they shall be con - soled.
 hun - ger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
 pure of heart; they shall see God.
 suf - fer in faith; the glo - ry of God is theirs.
 yours is the king - dom; shine for all to see.

Re - jice and be glad! Bless-ed are you,
 ho - ly are you! Re - jice and be glad!
 Yours is the king - dom of God!



Recessional

Lord, Whose Love In Humble Service

BEACH SPRING



1. Lord, whose love in hum-ble serv-ice Bore the
 2. As we wor-ship, grant us vi-sion, Till your
 3. Called from wor-ship in-to serv-ice Forth in

weight of hu-man need, Who did on the Cross for-
 love's re-veal-ing light, Till the height and depth and
 your great name we go, To the child, the youth, the

sak-en, Show us mer-cy's per-fect deed; We, your
 great-ness Dawns up-on our hu-man sight; Mak-ing
 a-ged, Love in liv-ing deeds to show; Hope and

ser-vants, bring the wor-ship Not of voice a-lone, but
 known the needs and bur-dens Your com-pas-sion bids us
 health, good-will and com-fort, Coun-sel, aid, and peace

heart; Con-se-crat-ing to your pur-pose Ev-'ry
 bear, Stir-ring us to faith-ful serv-ice, Your a-
 give That your chil-dren, Lord, in free-dom, May your

gift which you im-part.
 bun-dant life to share.
 mer-cy know and live.

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*Let us thank all those who
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~Pope Francis



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!

Marti

	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)

WELCOME!

New? Visiting? Interested? Are you visiting for the first time? Interested in knowing more about the ministries and activities at St. Joseph Parish? Please join our weekly e-news blast at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Sign up for our eNewsletter" link in the upper right corner of the homepage. Thank you!

Register! Are you a Catholic attending Mass at St. Joseph Parish, yet haven't officially registered? Join us!

Why register? St. Joseph Church is a vibrant parish offering many avenues for ministry, connecting with other parishioners and spiritual development. We'd love to get to know you, connect with you, and inform you of our various activities, groups and events going on at the church. Please pick up a registration form in the back of the church or go online to register at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the "Join Our Parish" link.

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 e-newsletter that is sent out on Thursday, just click the button that says "Online Bible Study".

<https://stjosephparishbiblestudy.wordpress.com/>



PARISH LIFE

Latino/a/x Gathering

Monday, February 24th at 7:00-8:30 pm - Parish Center

All parishioners and school parents who identify as Latino/a/x, are invited to help plan the 2020 We Are St. Joseph Celebration, taking place May 16th. This year we are celebrating Latino/a/x cultures and traditions from all over the Americas, from Seattle to Santiago.

Join us on February 24th in the Parish Center at 7pm. Bring your ideas, resources, and connections to help us share the spirituality, food, and traditions of Latino/a/x cultures with the parish community. For more information contact Sara Alvarado at salvarado@stjosephsea.org, Lando Alvarado at landoalvarado@gmail.com, or Deacon Steve at steve@stjosephparish.org / 206-965-1646

Seniors On The Go

Thursday February 27th - 10:30 am – 4:00 pm - LUNCH AT EMERALD QUEEN CASINO BUFFET IN FIFE, FOLLOWED BY TOUR OF THE PORT OF TACOMA

We'll have lunch at the Casino, \$10.95 for the all you can eat buffet and then go on a guided tour of the Port of Tacoma – Free! Contact Renee at 206-324-2522 or rleet@stjosephparish.org for a seat on the bus.

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 steve@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.**



Young Adult Ministry

Soulful Soups

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 17th.** 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

Young Adult Game Night!

Join us for our monthly social on Saturday, February 22nd at 6:00 pm where you'll be anything but bored. We'll have some classics like Settlers of Catan, Ticket to Ride, and card games as well as some newer games to knock your socks off! Competition not your thing? Come try out the cooperative game Pandemic. Did you stock up on any new games recently? Feel free to bring it along! We will order pizza and you can bring a snack or drink to share! There is a suggested \$10 donation. Please contact Corbin Johnson (Corbin.s.johnson@gmail.com) with any questions.

Bible Study

You are invited to be a part of a Lenten study with the Young Adult Bible Study! Lent is a season set apart to prepare our hearts for Jesus' sacrifice and resurrection. We will meet on Thursdays, February 27th-April 16th (except for Wednesday April 8th instead of April 9th) in the Parish Center. Dinner will be at 6:30 pm and discussion will begin at 7. We will end with prayer at 8:30. For more information about the study materials and to RSVP, please email Sabrina at spopoff@spu.edu. We hope that you can join our community for this!

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.

Children's Faith Formation Schedule

3/8, 3/9 - CFF 2 – Sacramental Preparation: Chalice Making Sessions.

3/28/20 - CFF 2 – Sacramental Preparation: Parent and Child Eucharist Workshop 9am-noon.



Parent Notice

Parents of children in Faith Formation/Sacramental Prep classes: On Sunday, March 1st, our Catechists will present a sexual abuse prevention program, called Teaching Safety. This will be presented to students in Kindergarten through 8th grade (not in Pre-K or Childcare) during their regularly scheduled classes. This program is provided to us by the Archdiocese of Seattle and is a part of our ongoing effort to help create and maintain a safe environment for children and to protect all children from sexual abuse. We are required to teach this session once per year. As a parent, you have the right to choose whether your student participates. I encourage you to read my email (from me: Claire Hansen) which contains an "overview" and "lesson plan" (LINK) so you'll be aware of what your child will learn. If you have questions about the program or the lesson, please contact me via email or at 206-965-1652. If you determine that you DO NOT want your child to participate, please complete the "opt-out" form (attached to Claire's email) and return it to me or your child's teacher no later than Sunday, February 23rd. And, please know you are very welcome to attend this class, and our catechists would love to have your support.



Teachers Needed

Faith Formation Classes on Sunday Mornings

Claire Hansen is recruiting people to teach Faith Formation classes for the children of our parish. But what if you're not a teacher!?! That's OKAY! This opportunity is about helping children come to know God and God's love for them and all of creation. It is not necessary to have ANY specific theological training to be on this team. What is needed is the willingness and ability to share your faith. Also, you have to love children and want them to feel valued here. Our Sunday morning program operates Early Learning classes during the 9am mass (for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten) as well as various Faith Formation (for 1st through 6th graders) after the 9am Mass (from 10:15am to 11am). A person does not need to be an experienced teacher to volunteer. And we staff each classroom with high school and middle school volunteers to help. I am in need of volunteers to teach or co-teach our classes for Pre-Kindergarten, 3rd/4th graders and 5th/6th graders. We have a curriculum for these classes and we also encourage our staff to be creative. Finally, teaching these classes can be split between 2 people so that a person could teach 1 or 2 Sundays during a month. Please contact me (claireh@stjosephparish.org) if you'd like more information. Thank you for considering!

Middle School Confirmation

Are you looking to make a difference in the faith life of a teenager at St. Joseph Parish? We need volunteers to be on the Middle School Confirmation Team, which will meet about 3 times a month from September through January. The program will be open to students from 7-9th grade and will meet on Sundays from 12:15pm-1:45pm. It will also include a retreat (1 full day) and some service experiences (1/2 day). Why? When you show up in the life of a young person as a mentor in the faith, they feel valued and welcomed in the parish but also in the Catholic Church as a whole. Middle schoolers are navigating issues of self-esteem, social and emotional upheaval in their friendship groups and activities, physical changes, rising expectations in school, as well as the challenge to begin forming a mature faith. It is VITAL that these youth have role models in the faith during these critical times. Please consider volunteering as a part of the Middle School Confirmation Team. Please contact me (claireh@stjosephparish.org) if you'd like more information or if you'd like to talk about volunteering. Thank you!

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.

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.

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: Thankful friends have found work for their talents . . . For a neighbor who had a heart attack over the weekend, may his recovery go well.

Prayer Tree



*"God is our refuge and our strength,
who from of old has helped us in our distress."*

~Psalm 46:1

In relation to our recent immersion trip to Nogales, Arizona

St. Joseph is hosting a Special Collection for THE KINO BORDER INITIATIVE

Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020

At both Masses 7:00 am & 7:00 pm

Contributions may also be made on the Parish website



The KINO Border Initiative (KBI – www.kinoborderinitiative.org), a Jesuit Work in Nogales, Arizona & Nogales, Sonora Mexico provides:

- Direct humanitarian relief services to migrants,
- Legal Services,
- Educational programs, retreats and talks to visiting delegations
- Innovative research and advocacy efforts



WE ARE BUILDING A NEW MIGRANT OUTREACH CENTER.



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 steve@stjosephparish.org

Hospital Ministry

Catholic Hospital Ministry at Harborview Medical Center

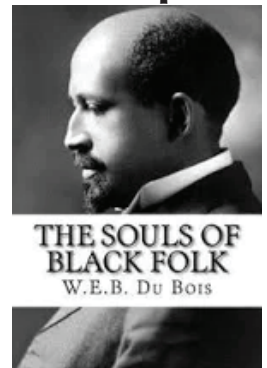
Volunteers are needed to bring Holy Communion and provide a presence to patients and their families at Harborview Hospital. Volunteers must complete all necessary paperwork, background checks, personal interviews and Orientation/Training sessions. Time expectation is once a week - 3-4 hour shift, plus 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 steve@stjosephparish.org

CRS Rice Bowl: Your Impact on Climate Change in Vietnam with Truong Tung, Country Manager of CRS Vietnam

Saturday, February 22, 2020, 9:30am—11:30am, St. James Cathedral Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia Street, Seattle (limited parking at O'Dea High School) Frequent and severe storms are impacting vulnerable farmers in Vietnam. As Lent and a new CRS Rice Bowl campaign begin, come hear Truong Tung share how the CRS Disaster Risk Reduction Program is working with vulnerable families in the face of climate change. Sponsored by the Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center and St. James CRS Parish Ambassador Corps.

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!



Clothing Drive

The Holy Names Academy Alumnae Board will hold its 9th annual Clothing Drive to benefit Jubilee Women's Center on Saturday, February 22nd, and Sunday, February 23rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the St. Joseph Parish Social Hall (732 18th Ave. E., Seattle, WA 98112).

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

Please enter St. Joseph via the driveway on 19th Ave. E. and E. Aloha St., and park temporarily near the entrance. We will provide assistance with unloading if you need it. Please note that the parking lot will be busy on Sunday morning because of the Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Thank you for supporting Jubilee Women's Center, which provides programs and services that help empower women! If you have any questions, please contact Annie (Wickwire) Delucchi '78 (for St Joseph!) and '82 for HNA at 206-498-2510.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Centennial Celebration

“No Act of Charity is Foreign to the St. Vincent de Paul Society”

Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, founder of the Society – 1833

*And the Lord will say to them
in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you,
whatever you did for one of
these least brothers of mine,
you did for me.’*

-Matthew 25: 40

**Spiritually Enriched
by the Encounter!**

Did You Know ?



Last year, **Vincentians** made close to **17,000 home visits**, preventing evictions & bringing hope, assistance & advocacy.



Svdp has the **3rd largest Foodbank** in Seattle - with clothes, health checks, community connectors, programs for people experiencing homelessness and more! A great location for **service learning** opportunities for students and teachers.



Centro Rendu serves **1,000+ Latino immigrant families** annually with education, legal clinics & leadership programs.



Our **Helpline/Call Center** responds to approx. **40,000 calls per year** - the #1 referral agency from the King Co. 2-1-1 Line.

Help your Neighbor! *An Svdp Lent Campaign*

As part of our Centennial “Neighbors Helping Neighbors” Campaign, we ask that you help someone this Lent (February 26 - April 9) and then share your story with a photo or video and tag us on Instagram!



#SVDPhelpingneighbors



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St. Joseph Parish Seattle Conference St. Vincent de Paul

2019

Neighbors Served: **646**

Person-to-Person Visits: **331**

Financial Assistance Provided Through Your Donations

Total: **\$53,376**

Rent: **\$37,195**

Utilities: **\$6,537**

Food and Other Needs: **\$9,644**

Whether the need is guidance with available resources, financial help, or conversation the St. Joseph Parish - St. Vincent De Paul conference works to keep our neighbors from being hungry or cold and provide support in their home

For more information please contact svdp@stjosephparish.org