Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 5, 2015

Reflection Next Week:
Diane Lostrangio

Readings for April 12, 2015
First Reading: Acts 4:32-35
Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6
Gospel: John 20:19-31

Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday - 5 pm
Sunday - 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 5:30 pm

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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Of the Cross and Resurrection

Over 50 years ago—before I had learned how to read, and when the Mass was still in Latin—I used to love to sit in the pews of St. Gregory Church with my mother’s missal in my lap, looking at the glossy pictures that decorated this wondrous book, and trying to imagine what they meant. I remember, especially, two images: the first was of a man, chained to a pillar, a cloth wrapped around his waist. Near him, almost hidden in the shadows, were others, who were striking him with whips and cords. And though he was hunched over in pain, his wrists bound to the pillar, I remember his face looking up at me, remember it as though it were before me today, filled with beauty and amazing sorrow.

The second picture that has stuck in my memory was near the back of the book. Where the first seemed black and white, I remember this one had all those pastels from early color movies. Here was the same man, but this time not writhing in pain, but serene and somewhat distant. His right hand was raised in blessing—two fingers up and the thumb beside (almost like the Boy Scout salute)—and his robe hung off him so that one side, where a shining wound was visible, was unclad. He was coming out of a cave, stepping over the threshold, and at his feet two Roman soldiers fell back in fear and wonder. The large stone, beside the entrance, seemed to have been rolled back, and above the cave, two angels sat watching. It was a beautiful picture, but it never grabbed my attention quite as much as the other did. It seemed too much: too many lights, too much power, too boring. I remember, I would always go back to the earlier picture, where the anguished face seemed more interesting to me than the serene countenance exiting the cave.

Many years later, at Eastern Point Retreat House, just outside of Gloucester, Massachusetts—after I had been a Jesuit for a decade and a half—I found myself on a thirty-day silent retreat, encountering again those feelings I had first met when I was only about five years old. This time, however, the images were not in my mother’s prayer book, but in my own mind. Yet, still, the attraction to the suffering One was the same, and so was the sense of boredom in the idea of him resurrected.

Throughout this retreat, I recall the sense of God drawing me closer and closer to Jesus, in ways I had not imagined possible. One day, walking along the rocks where the waves were breaking, I found myself reflecting on the preceding 15 years—my whole life as a Jesuit. It came to me that, though I had been faithful and hardworking throughout these years, I had never quite given myself wholly to the call of Christ. I had waffled; I had equivocated; I had, as it were, kept one foot in the door, to prevent it from locking behind me. Even as I thought this, I heard the call to let go, and jump in all the way. And so I did, crying out to the wind, “Okay, you’ve got me. I am all in.” And hearing, as though in response, a small voice in my heart say, “Oh, by the way, did I mention about the Cross?” Thus began my third week of the Spiritual Exercises.
In the days that followed, I found myself dragged back into that picture in my mother’s missal. Through that harsh grace that sometimes marks a gift of God, I watched the betrayal in the garden, and followed, at a distance, in the long night of trial and judgment. I sat, a small servant in the corner, as the torturers wove their crown and cracked their whip across his back. And each day, I grew more weary and more deeply bound. That face, so twisted and so loving, so unwilling—even as the blood caked across eyebrow and lash—to cry out, as I wanted to, in anger or in condemnation. He bore it, and so I could only watch and marvel, and fall more and more in love with him—for I knew he was doing this so I would not lose heart, that I would not despair. And in him I saw so many I loved—especially my sister, Elizabeth, who seemed to be there, sometimes, changing places with him in the carrying of the Cross or in the hours of torment above the crowd.

In that moment, it came to me: I did not want the Resurrection. This was enough. I realized that I had always looked upon the Resurrection as a kind of reward, given to Jesus for his suffering—a kind of proof that said to the world, “I told you I was God.” But to demand such proof seemed sickening to me. As though this death was not enough of a proof of love, was not enough of a sign that he would give anything to me, that I might believe. It seemed clear that to look to the Resurrection was to deny the powerful gift of the Cross—to cheapen this gift by saying it was just a trade, a few hours of torture for an eternity of life. But that is commerce, not love. And this was love—and I did not need anything else to prove its power.

The next evening, exhausted and, in my mind, finished with the retreat, I decided simply to go through the motions for the last three days—doing my prayer, but satisfied that everything, for me, was now accomplished; I needed no more. Like the picture in my mother’s missal, the Resurrection held no attraction, but seemed, instead, an overdone dream: a denial of the true love that his death had offered; and, though I accepted it as an article of faith, I wanted no part of it.

In this frame of mind, I bundled up against the October evening and sat to pray along the shore. In my hand, I had a cigar that someone had given me, and I leaned back: content with the night and willing to spend this hour, quietly doing my time.

Then it came, without my seeking it or wanting it, it came: the Resurrection. And I was overwhelmed. It was not a reward for the Cross, not a payback for the hours of torture or the blood that was spilled. It was not some proof, sent to bring meaning to the sacrifice of Christ. It was just itself. A pure gift, given just because that is what God is: the giver of gifts and of life. What I felt, in that moment, I have no words to explain. It was not the pastel perfection of popular imagery; it was not the whiz-bang of Hollywood; it was just Truth. And in it I felt my father, long dead, and myself, and Jesus, and everything—in a way I cannot describe, but simply knew. And though I could not hold this experience for long, yet, still, I remain certain that, in the Resurrection, nothing of the Cross is lost, but all of it, all of everything, remains. I cannot doubt that, even if I wanted to.

May we all come to know, completely, the gift of God—the love, poured out like water from the Cross, and the unfathomable “Yes” of the Resurrection. Please, God, come again! Alleluia.

John 8

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WELCOME!

Are you a Catholic attending Mass regularly at St. Joseph Parish, yet haven’t officially registered? Join us! Visit our website at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the “Join Our Parish” link to complete and submit your registration form. Should you have any question whatsoever, please don’t hesitate to contact Tina at stewardship@stjosephparish.org, or 206.965.1654.

Are you interested in finding out more about St. Joseph Parish and the Catholic Church? Whether you are baptized in another denomination, have never been baptized and are exploring Christianity for the first time, or are a former Catholic pondering a return to the Church, we are happy to talk with you, answer questions, and explore the many possibilities. Find out more—with no strings attached—by calling Fr. Glen at 206-965-1643, or email gbutterworth@stjosephparish.org
ORDER OF CELEBRATION
EASTER SUNDAY

Prelude

7 am - Regina Caeli #447
O queen of heaven, be joyful, alleluia, for he whom you have humbly borne for us, alleluia,
has arisen, as he promised, alleluia, offer now our prayer to God, alleluia.

9 am - Instrumental

11 am - Choral - This Is The Day
This is the day, the day the Lord hath made.
We will all rejoice and be glad in it! Alleluia!

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Song

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today  Easter Hymn

1. Jesus Christ is ris’n to-day, Al-le-lu-ia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al-le-lu-ia!
3. But the pains which he endured, Al-le-lu-ia!
4. Sing we to our God above, Al-le-lu-ia!

Our triumphant holy day, Al-le-lu-ia!
Unto Christ, our heav’n-ly King, Al-le-lu-ia!
Our salvation have procured; Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise eternal, as his love; Al-le-lu-ia!

Who did once upon the cross, Al-le-lu-ia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Al-le-lu-ia!
Now above the sky he’s King, Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise him, now his might confess, Al-le-lu-ia!

Suffer to redeem our loss, Al-le-lu-ia!
Sinners to redeem and save, Al-le-lu-ia!
Where the angels ever sing, Al-le-lu-ia!
Father, Son, and Spirit blest, Al-le-lu-ia!
1. We praise you,
   we bless you,
   we adore you,
   we glorify you,
   we give you thanks for your great glory,
   Lord God, heavenly King,
   O God, almighty Father.

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
   Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
   you take away the sins of the world,
   have mercy on us;
   you take away the sins of the world,
   receive our prayer;
   you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
   have mercy on us.

3. For you alone are the Holy One,
   you alone are the Lord,
   you alone are the Most High,
   Jesus Christ,
   with the Holy Spirit,
   in the glory of God the Father.
   Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Peter proceeded to speak and said: “You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Responsorial Psalm
7 am - Psalm 118
Marty Haugen
Second Reading
Brothers and sisters:
If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.
Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.
For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
When Christ your life appears,
then you too will appear with him in glory.

Easter Sequence
Christians, praise the pascal victim! Offer thankful sacrifice! Christ the Lamb has saved the sheep, Christ the just one paid the price, reconciling sinners to the Father. Death and life fought bitterly for this wondrous victory; the Lord of life who died reigns glorified! O Mary, come and say what you saw at break of day. “The empty tomb of my living Lord! I saw Christ Jesus risen and adored! Bright angels testified, shroud and grave clothes side by side! Yes, Christ my hope rose gloriously. He goes before you into Galilee.” Share the good news, sing joyfully: His death is victory! Lord Jesus, victor King, show us mercy.

Gospel Acclamation
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Homily

Father John D. Whitney, S.J.

Renewal Of Baptismal Promises

Prayers of the Faithful
Assembly Response: Lord hear our prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Song

7 am That Easter Day With Joy Was Bright #445 Praetorius

9 am Instrumental

11 am Choral - This Joyful Eastertide DUTCH/Woodward

Refrain: This joyful Eastertide, away with care and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.

Had Christ, that once was slain, not burst his three-day prison, our faith had been in vain;
but now is Christ arisen, arisen, but now is Christ arisen!

Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river:
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver, Refrain

My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber,
till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number. Refrain

Incensing

9 am Surrexit Christus Berthier

Gospel

Mark 16:1-7

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go and anoint him. Very early when the sun had risen, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back; it was very large. On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed! You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Behold the place where they laid him. But go and tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.'"
Prayer over the Offerings
Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Assembly: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Preface Dialogue
Priest: The Lord be with you.
Assembly: And with your spirit.
Priest: Lift up your hearts.
Assembly: We lift them up to the Lord.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy
Storrington Mass
Marty Haugen

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

Mystery of Faith

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Save us, Sav-ior of the world, for by your Cross and Res-ur-reec-tion you have set us free.
Great Amen

Lamb of God

The Lord’s Prayer

During the Lord’s prayer, the assembly either holds hands or lifts their hands up.

Sign of Peace

Assembly greets one another: Peace be with you.

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Assembly: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

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 Song

11 am Choral - Rejoice In the Risen Christ

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.
Alleluia, hearts to heaven and voices raise. Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
He who on the cross a victim for the world’s salvation bled. Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.
Christ is risen, alleluia, risen from the grave. Christ is risen, alleluia, risen today.
Awake, arise, lift up your voice, let Easter music swell. Rejoice in Christ, again rejoice, and on his praises dwell.
9 am Instrumental

After you receive Communion, you may kneel or sit if desired until the ciborium is returned to the tabernacle.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

Hymn of Praise

11 am Sing With All The Saints In Glory

Octavo

1. Sing with all the saints in glory, Sing the resurrection song!
2. O what glory, far exceeding All that eye has yet perceived!
3. Life eternal! heav’n rejoices: Jesus lives who once was dead; Shout with joy, O deathless voices!
4. Life eternal! O what wonders Crowd on faith; what joy unknown, When, amidst earth’s closing thunders,

To the former days belong, All around the Child of God, lift up your head! Patriarchs from Saints shall stand before the throne! O to enter

clouds are breaking, Soon the storms of time shall cease; distant ages, Saints all longing for their heaven, that bright portal, See that glowing firmament,

In God’s likeness, we awaken, Knowing ever lasting peace. Ev’ry humble spirit shares it, Christ has passed the eternal gates. Prophets, psalmist, seers, and sages, All await the glory giv’n. Know, with you, O God immortal, “Jesus Christ whom you have sent!”
Blessing & Dismissal

Deacon or Priest:

Go in peace, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

All:

Thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

Recessional

7 am Sing With All The Saints In Glory (see previous page)

9 & 11 am Grand Chouer Dialogue

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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday
7:00 AM  Mass
9:00 AM  Mass
10:00 AM  Easter Egg Hunt, Coffee & Donuts
11:00 AM  Mass

Monday
Parish Center Closed
7:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 AM Yoga - Body in prayer
7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer
7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Group

Tuesday
7:00 AM Daily Mass

Wednesday
7:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

Thursday
7:00 AM Daily Mass

Friday
7:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 AM Men's Prayer Group

Saturday
8:00 AM Centering Prayer Group
3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation
5:00 PM Vigil Mass

We Are St. Joseph Events
Save The Dates!
We Are St. Joseph Service Days & Dinner
April 24 & 25
Sounders Game - August 30th

For additional information about these or any other upcoming events, please visit our website at www.stjosephparish.org or call the Parish Center at (206) 324-2522.
Welcome to St. Joseph Parish
The Jesuit Parish in Seattle
Dear Companions & Friends, Peace of Christ!
Whenever the early Jesuits would enter a new town, they would look for the busiest corner, and there they would set up shop. Unlike older, monastic orders, they did not seek mountaintops or secluded alcoves to set themselves aside in prayer; rather, these followers of Ignatius sought crossroads, believing that here—amid the hustle and bustle of ordinary life, amid the glorious racket of God’s creatures—the surprising grace of God was most truly to be found.

St. Joseph Parish, in the spirit of those first Jesuits, likewise seeks to live at the crossroads: at those points where the hum and buzz of the world meets the quiet of the Spirit, where the awesome beauty of liturgical worship encounters the chaotic longings of the young, where the pain of war and poverty are met by the compassion and love of a diverse community. A communion of opposites, the living Church at St. Joseph seeks to engage the world in the dialogue of Christ, and to live faithfully the call of our brother Jesuit, Pope Francis, who asks us to “come out of ourselves in order to go to meet others, to go toward the outskirts of existence, to be the first to take a step toward our brothers and sisters, especially those who are the most distant, those who are forgotten, those who are most in need of understanding, comfort, and help.”

In our Mission Statement, “Ignited by the Eucharist to love and serve,” St. Joseph declares that we are women and men on fire through the presence of Christ in our midst, and committed to follow Christ in the active love and personal service of all of our sisters and brothers. Coming from various places and traditions, from a variety of social, economic, and political backgrounds, we have found our way to this crossroads, to this place of God’s Holy Spirit. Some come seeking greater depth in their life of prayer; some, greater understanding of the faith they profess; some desire a values-based education for their children; some, a place of beauty and respite in a difficult world; some seek to do justice with others; some do not yet know what they seek, but come from habit, or tradition, or an inchoate longing in their heart. Yet, all who come with hope, are touched by the grace of the One who loved us first.

Placed on the crossroads through its history and its people, St. Joseph Parish welcomes every pilgrim and passerby, every sinner and everyone longing for sanctity. Whether you come to us for a while or abide with us for a lifetime, whether you explore us on the web or stand with us at the table of Eucharist, we welcome you, and bless you, and open our door to you, for the greater glory of God.

Yours in the Lord,
John D. Whitney, S.J.
Pastor

We Are St. Joseph
From the century-old origins of our parish, the community of St. Joseph Parish has been an example of God’s presence in the world. Ignited by the Eucharist to love & serve, we are called to a passionate and personal relationship with God and our world.

Today, our parish is home to 1800 families. Nearly 1/3 of our parishioners are active volunteers in our ministries, contributing both time and talent to our 3 dozen ministries, undertaken to serve those in our parish and to the elderly, ill, and needy in our area. Our parish school forms 600+ children from kindergarten through 8th grade. Our religious education and youth program ministers to nearly 350 families.

Week after week, Sunday after Sunday, hundreds of people gather here to pray and then go forth from this beautiful place to live their Christian faith. In welcoming you here today, we invite you to become a part of the life and mission of St. Joseph by joining us for Sunday Mass and, if possible, by involving yourself in one of the many ministries and activities that are the hallmark of St. Joseph.

Please reach out to us as we look forward to getting to know you better. Email welcome@stjosephparish.org for more information.
Explore And Get Involved In The Ministries of St. Joseph

A snapshot of how the Gospel is lived out year-round at St. Joseph Parish. 
To get involved, call 206-324-2522 or visit www.stjosephparish.org for more information.

Liturgical Ministries

The parish community of St. Joseph gathers together to pray and worship throughout the liturgical year. Prayer, especially the celebration of the Eucharist, binds our community together to give honor and glory to God and to recognize the real presence of Christ and the Spirit in one another.

Daily Mass - Join us. Start your day with Holy Mass! Stop by the Parish Center at 7 am and introduce yourself. We look forward to seeing you. For more information, please contact Peter Wurmbauer at dailymass@stjosephparish.org

Altar Servers - Please contact Fr. Glen if you are interested in becoming an altar server and to reserve a spot in one of the next training sessions, gbutterworth@stjosephparish.org

Eucharistic Ministers - This ministry is open to all youth and adults who love the Eucharist, have been confirmed, and who strive to show Christ’s love in their daily living. For more information and to become part of this important ministry please contact team captain Mary Sepulveda at eucharisticministers@stjosephparish.org

Lectors - Lectoring is a ministry of proclamation, giving strong voice to the Word of God found in Sacred Scripture, and announcing the Prayers if the Faithful at Mass. For more information and to become part of this important ministry contact the coordinator, George Mead, at lectors@stjosephparish.org

Ushers - It is the usher’s who greet people warmly, introduce strangers, help people sit together, pass out songsheets, provide hearing assisted devices and offer hospitality. For more information or to become a part of this important ministry and team, please contact usher captain Bruce Mirkin at (206) 391-6155 or email ushers@stjosephparish.org

Prayer Groups

There are myriad opportunities to take part in the prayer and devotional life at St. Joseph apart from Sunday liturgies.

Body in Prayer Yoga - The yoga group has been meeting regularly at St. Joseph for many years, most Monday and Wednesday mornings at 7 am. As space is limited and prior registration is required, please contact Fran Gallo directly to find out more about this group: www.frangallo.com

Centering Prayer - We meet the first and third Saturdays of each month from 8:00 am to 9:30 am for prayer, information, and sharing in the Jogues Room on the second floor of the Parish Center. For more information, please contact Mr. Beaton Brown at (206) 450-5518 or email centeringprayer@stjosephparish.org

Rosary Groups - We are blessed to have two regularly meeting Rosary groups here at St. Joseph. The Holy Rosary Group meets each Monday from 7 to 8 pm in the Parish Center Loyola Chapel. The Holy Hour Rosary Group meets each first Thursday of the month from 7 to 8 pm in the same Loyola Chapel. Each gathering is usually followed by a reception and an opportunity to spend time together. Please contact Tom Cannon and Jackie Quinn for more information by emailing rosary@stjosephparish.org

Sacred Silence - We gather in the church, unless there’s a conflict, on Monday nights at 7 pm and end at 8 pm. Time is spent in silent prayerful sitting and walking. It is a peaceful retreat from the busyness and distractions of the day. For additional information on Sacred Silence or silent prayer email Jim Hoover at sacredsilence@stjosephparish.org or call (206) 286-0313.
Music Ministries

God, the giver of song, is present whenever God’s people sing his praises. As St. Augustine says: “Singing is for the one who loves.” Music is, therefore, a sign of God’s love for us and of our love for God.

Get Involved - The St. Joseph choir rehearses Wednesday evenings from 7-9 pm and sings the 9 am Mass on Sunday mornings as well as some holy days and the liturgies around Christmas and Triduum/Easter. The choir is open to singers who are high school age or older. For more information or to schedule an audition, contact Robert McCaffery-Lent, Pastoral Assistant for Music and Liturgy, at 206-965-1649 or email rmclent@stjosephparish.org.

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam Concert Series - The arts have always been an important dimension of Catholic life and worship. Beautiful music, filling a beautiful space lifts the heart and reminds us of the sacred nature of all creation, and of our participation in that grace. At St. Joseph, the Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam series brings locally and nationally recognized ensembles into our Church, inviting parishioners and guests to celebrate God in a new and beautiful way. Please check the website for a schedule of concerts.

Parish Life Ministries

Grouped around some commonality of life experience, our Parish Life ministries provide places and times where we can grow and share our faith lives through active participation in community, social events and retreat opportunities that nourish and enrich our lives together.

Men’s Ministry - Each year our Men’s Ministry organizes a number of great events that provide opportunities for prayer and reflection and supportive discussions. These gatherings will charge the batteries of our faith and are always a lot of fun. For additional information email men@stjosephparish.org

Women’s Ministry - For women who seek a deeper relationship with God and with one another through spirituality, fellowship, knowledge, and service in action. We welcome all women, pilgrims seeking the path of God. For more information email women@stjosephparish.org

LGBT Ministry - For LBGT identified members of St. Joseph Parish who seek to develop community and fellowship through social gatherings. We seek to grow and explore our spirituality through education, formation, prayer and service. For more information email lgbt@stjosephparish.org

Young Adult Ministry - Looking for community? A place to discuss faith and life with others? The St. Joseph Young Adult Community focuses on building spirituality, friendship, and creating social, spiritual, and service opportunities for young adults in the Seattle area. Follow us on Facebook for more information - https://www.facebook.com/stjosephyoungadultcommunity

Seniors On The Go - Join us and participate in the many ways we celebrate our community life together. Call Mary Ott at (206) 324-7459 or Dolores Dorn (206) 322-2259 or email seniors@stjosephparish.org for more information about our events and how you can participate.

Prayer Shawl Group - Our Prayer Shawl ministry was founded by a group of parishioners wishing to come together in community to knit or crochet prayer shawls for those in need of comfort and healing. Our monthly gatherings are a time to share, pray, reflect, rejoice, and learn from one another. For more information, please contact: Jennifer Rothmeyer at prayershawlgroup@stjosephparish.org
Faith Formation

As a parish, St. Joseph nurtures intellectual curiosity, emotional maturity, and spiritual formation in all its members, while also seeking to foster a respectful dialogue with the culture-at-large and other religious traditions.

Children’s Faith Formation

Baptism - Baptism is the first of three sacraments of initiation into the Catholic Church. St. Joseph celebrates this sacrament through classes and weekend liturgical celebrations throughout the year. For information on infant baptisms, contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org, and for the older children and adults, please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org

Children’s Faith Formation - Raising a family takes love, effort, time, and community, we work hard to provide experiences and education to support families. Children’s faith education starts at the very beginning, in their homes with the adults who teach them their faith heritage. At St. Joe’s we work to continue that education in a dynamic way. For more information email cff@stjosephparish.org

Pathfinders Youth Group - Pathfinders has brought together hundreds of youth on Wednesday evenings to form friendships and promote awareness of those in need through the lens of spirituality. Pathfinders is open to all 6th, 7th and 8th graders in our community. For more information email pathfinders@stjosephparish.org

The VOICE Youth Group - The VOICE is open to all high school age students interested in exploring their lives and spirituality more deeply – and just having some fun! This group meets once a week, on Wednesday nights from 7-8:30 pm at the Parish Center. For more information email samk@stjosephparish.org

Spirituality & Retreats - There are many definitions of Spirituality, but what most descriptions share is a sense of discovering and grounding one’s life in what is most authentic, good, loving, which, as people of faith, we experience and call “God”. Spirituality impacts and directs our actions, our way(s) of being and moving in the world. As a Jesuit Parish, we have a particular connection with Ignatian Spirituality, since the founder of the Jesuits was Ignatius of Loyola. We are fortunate to have two excellent resources right in our parish center that offer members of St. Joseph’s and people throughout our region many opportunities to deepen their experience of this profound spirituality, which intentionally impacts one’s action and service in the world drawn from the very mission of Jesus. Information about upcoming retreats is available on our website.

Related Works - The journey of faith and spirituality continues after entry into the Church and so we embrace a variety of groups, programs, and organizations that assist us in bringing light and grace into our lives. These include the GoodNews People, Ignatian Spirituality Center, and the Spiritual Exercises in Everyday Life.

For more information about Adult Faith Formation at St. Joseph, please contact Deacon Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org

Adult Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation RCIA - We are blessed in having a fantastic Rite of Christian Initiation program here at St. Joseph. Through RCIA, adults enter into our Catholic community. Trusting that each participant’s journey of faith and spirituality has been going on their whole lives, R.C.I.A. initiates those wishing to enter fully into the Church.

St. Joseph School

St. Joseph School has, from our beginning in 1907, been known for the excellence of our academic programs, the generosity and liveliness of our parent community and the commitment and care of our staff. At St. Joseph School we seek to simply keep our students open to the myriad of graces they have been given and allow them to start to experiment with how they might use these gifts to improve the worlds they occupy throughout their lives. St. Joseph School offers a holistic, progressive, Catholic education that educates our students’ hands, hearts and minds. We build a strong foundation on which a life of learning, serving and thinking can be built, unleashing the vast potential within each child. For more information www.stjosephsea.org
Faith Justice

For more than a hundred years, St. Joseph Parish has served the greater community of Seattle in a myriad of ways. Beginning with our own parish and growing out of the Gospel call to love God and to love neighbor, we have sought right relationship in companionship with each other.

**Annual Events** - Each year, the Faith Justice ministries of St. Joseph Parish team up with our Outreach Partners to offer four signature service events: the *Alternative Bazaar* happens each November; the *Giving Tree* is a annual opportunity for members of the parish to experience the goodness of giving during the Christmas Season; the *Epiphany Dinner* celebrates the end of Christmas by bringing together parishioners, Outreach Partners, and neighbors from all over Seattle; the *Spring Service Days* provide parishioners opportunities to make a difference in our community. At the end of the year we gather together for our Spring Celebration Dinner.

**Choose Life** - The Choose Life Ministry at St. Joseph’s help inform our community that life is more than a choice, it is a sacred gift. For more information, please email Peter Wurmbauer at chooselife@stjosephparish.org

**Dialogue For Justice** - The Dialogue for Justice is an Archdiocesan-wide initiative to strengthen Catholic advocacy on behalf of poor and vulnerable people in our communities. The goal of the Dialogue for Justice is to partner with parishes and Catholic organizations to effectively advocate to reduce poverty in our communities through educating grassroots advocates, convening advocacy gatherings, providing legislative briefings, coordinating and supporting in-district meetings with legislators, encouraging participation in Catholic Advocacy Day, and providing advocacy resources to parishes and groups. For more information email stevew@stjosephparish.org

**Sister Parish** - As we approach our 26th year in relationship with San Bartolomé Parish in El Salvador, our sister parish committee continues to build bonds between our communities. Areas of focus include, addressing the root issues of poverty and emigration to the United States. To get involved, please email Daniel Stoner at sisterparish@stjosephparish.org

**St. Martin de Porres Meals** - Each Saturday of the month, St. Joseph parishioners and volunteers make and serve sandwiches, boiled eggs, fruit and milk for 212 homeless men. We have five teams of 20-25 people for each Saturday of the month. Please contact us at stevew@stjosephparish.org and we will be happy to welcome you to this ministry.

**Winter Overnight Shelter** - The St. Joseph Winter Shelter provides overnight shelter and ‘meal bags’ for fourteen homeless men, age 50 and older, five nights a week from October through April. The program tries to offer a night’s rest in an environment of dignity, respect and safety. Shelter volunteers are men and women of all ages, special people who aren’t afraid to face a population and a life style that might be different then their own. To volunteer contact Taffy McCormick at wintershelter@stjosephparish.org

**St. Vincent de Paul** - The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference at St. Joseph Parish serves the poor by making in-home visits, listening to those in need and providing support as resources allow. The generous donations of St. Joseph parishioners, collected after Masses on the first Sunday of each month, provide the means by which we can help people in need with food, clothing, rent, bus fare and utility bills. We have no overhead expenses, so 100% of donations go to help the people we visit. If you would like to attend a meeting or are interested in learning more about the society, please email Tom Newman at svdp@stjosephparish.org

**Outreach Partners** - St. Joseph nurtures our great relationships with outside organizations that work to support people in need. Many St. Joseph parishioners have found that working with these organizations have given them new understandings of their faith and the world. Organizations include: WestSide Baby, Habitat for Humanity, Jubilee Women’s Center, L’Arche, Noel House, Puget Sound Blood Center, Recovery Cafe, St. Francis House, Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center and Shirts Across America.

For more information about any of our Faith Justice Ministries, please contact Joe Prusa, chair of our Faith Justice Commission at faithjustice@stjosephparish.org
Seniors On The Go
Tuesday April 14th - Seniors Ministry Planning Meeting, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm, bring a brown bag lunch Please join us to help plan activities and outings for Seniors. Newcomers Welcome!

Chief Seattle Club
The Chief Seattle Club is a day-shelter that serves homeless and low-income American Indian and Alaska Native people through basic services like food, showers and laundry; our mission is to provide a sacred space to nurture, affirm and renew the spirit of urban Native peoples. We are rooted in Jesuit tradition and serve the spiritual needs of our members through talking circles, smudging, healing services and other traditional ceremonies. We also practice a Kateri Mass on Sunday mornings and our blessed to partner with Father Pat Towhy and Sister Julie Codd who have worked for many years among the Northwest coastal tribes. The Chief Seattle Club is grateful for the long partnership with St. Joseph and welcomes all parishioners!

We have volunteer opportunities that include -
- Van driving
- Kitchen service
- Laundry attendant
- Front-desk reception
- Special projects coordination
- Administration
- Web-site maintenance

Please contact Tricia & Steve Trainer for more information and how to volunteer, email triciatrainer@gmail.com

Parish Blood Drive
What inspires you to give back?
Maybe you have a family member going through chemotherapy or a friend of a friend was in a horrible accident, or saw a viral video of a sick child courageously fighting a disease. Whatever the reason, the time and effort you make to donate shows your commitment to join the fight that these patients are going through. Come be part of their support team and donate blood at St. Joseph!

Monday April 13th 2015
Parish Center - 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm - (closed 3 - 4)
To make an appointment, please email Renee Leet at rleet@stjosephparish.org. Thank you for your continuous support and generosity! You DO make a difference!

St. Vincent de Paul
As we celebrate this joyful Easter commemoration of Jesus’ resurrection, we ask that you make your donations to our St. Vincent de Paul ministry next Sunday. Our regular monthly collection will be next Sunday, April 12th.
An Opportunity to Serve... An Invitation to Celebrate

We Are St. Joseph

Service Days
Friday, April 24th & Saturday April 25th

Community Dinner
Saturday, April 25th, 6 pm, Social Hall

Register for service by April 20th at www.stjosephparish.org

Celebration includes: dinner, photo booth, & Beatlemania!
Endowment Golf Tournament
Thursday, May 14, 2015
The Golf Club at Newcastle

St. Joseph families, friends and alumni are invited to partake in a day of golf followed by a dinner and auction.
Register at http://www.stjosephsea.org/golf-tournament

Also consider other ways to give:

There are many great sponsorship opportunities available.
For more information please visit http://www.stjosephsea.org/golf-tournament

The golf tournament committee is working to procure items for the evening auction following the golf tournament. Partner with the Endowment by donating gift certificates, wine, products, getaways, or any items you feel comfortable donating. Simply complete the enclosed donation form and return by email to kconnally@stjosephsea.org or mail to St. Joseph School Endowment.

If you are interested in volunteer opportunities (event logistics, day of event registration, or dinner program/silent auction) please contact kconnally@stjosephsea.org