

SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH

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DEVELOPING THE STRENGTH OF A PROPHET

The consoling words from the prophet Jeremiah give comfort to all of us. God told him that he, like each of us, was known even in his mother's womb. It was this knowledge of being known and loved that gave Jeremiah the strength to stand before his people and prophesy some very strong and harsh words. He was set as a strong pillar, a wall of brass, a fortified city. He was rooted in love, because he needed to be so as not to be crushed by the anger and resentment stirred up by his prophetic words.

Jesus faces the same ire when visiting his hometown. At first the Nazarenes praise him, but soon, as if they had some entitlement, they presumptuously demand that he perform miracles to satisfy their vanity—not to change their hearts. When Jesus challenges them, their response is to want to throw him off a cliff!

As Christians, we all have a prophetic mission. We're called to preach the truths of the gospel, and at times this isn't popular. In the public square, the Church and Christians are often praised for their charitable work but asked to silence their religious voice when morality is discussed. We need the strength and conviction of prophets as well as the love that drives them.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: Jeremiah, 1510-1512 Artist: Michelangelo Location: Sistine Chapel ceiling

FOR REFLECTION

Do I have the serenity and moral courage to share the gospel truth in love? Do I always show my faith in charitable thoughts and actions, and then in words when appropriate?

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations
I appointed to you." Jeremiah 1:5

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday 8:00am Monday - Friday 12:10pm Tuesday 5:30pm Saturday Vigil 5:30pm Sunday 9:00am 11:00am 5:30pm

> Reconciliation: 30 minutes before daily Masses, 4:00-5:00pm on Saturdays

Dear Tadre,

My son and his wife attend a Christian church because they like the minister and the upbeat service. My son was raised Catholic and still claims he is Catholic, even though he doesn't go to a Catholic church. I feel frustrated by the whole affair!

Your frustration is certainly shared by many parents and grandparents today. They raised their children Catholic, even sent them to Catholic schools, but their adult children are less disciplined about their faith practices. Recent surveys on religion showed that 80 percent of Americans say they



believe in God, and 75 percent consider spirituality important in their lives.

But this doesn't mean they commit to religious practices. About 60 percent of Catholics questioned attend religious services only once or twice a month, or never. Many are interested in exploring different teachings and attending different churches. The loyalty to the Church and its disciplines that was evident in our own lives, or in our parents' and grandparents' lives, is often lacking in today's underfifty-five crowd.

What can one do about this? The traditional method is to pray for your children while continuing to set an example through your own loyalty to the Catholic Church—including attendance at Sunday Mass and observance of other Church disciplines. It would be good to invite your son and his wife to attend church with you when they are visiting. As we age, we often become more religious and traditional. We may become more interested in our family's history, photos, and traditions. The religion of our childhood may begin to appear very attractive again. Be patient and continue to pray that your children will return to the Church of their roots.

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DAILY READINGS

Monday, February 4 Heb 11:32–40 Mk 5:1–20

Tuesday, February 5

St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr Heb 12:1–4 Mk 5:21–43

Wednesday, February 6

St. Paul Miki and Companions,
Martyrs
Heb 12:4–7, 11–15 Mk 6:1–6

Thursday, February 7 Heb 12:18–19, 21–24 Mk 6:7–13

> **Friday, February 8** Heb 13:1–8 Mk 6:14–29

Saturday, February 9 Heb 13:15–17, 20–21 Mk 6:30–34



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A Word from POPE FRANCIS

No matter how many Sunday Masses, if your heart does not reach out to others, if you do not know what is happening to your people, your faith is weak, unhealthy, or dead. It is a faith without Christ; faith without solidarity is faith without Christ, it is faith without God, faith without brothers and sisters.



Are you good with numbers? Do you like answering the phone, or maybe making sandwiches to feed the homeless?

If you'd like to volunteer some of your time to Sacred Heart and its ministries, contact the Parish Office, (206) 284-4680, or info@sacredheartseattle.org.

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

COMING SOON: RECYCLING DAY!

We will need volunteers to help clear out old electronics and copiers throughout the church storage areas. MORE DETAILS in the coming weeks. If you're interested in helping out, please contact the Parish Office to get on our information email distribution list. Contact (206) 284-4680, or info@sacredheartseattle.org.



THE STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Goal	\$ 5,715
Offerings (Jan. 21 - Jan 27) Online Giving (Jan 21 - Jan 27)	\$ 3,875 \$284
Total Sacrificial Giving	\$ 4,158
YTD Sacrificial Giving (July 1 - Jan 27)	\$166,974
Parish Improvement	\$ 5,997

Thank you for your generosity!

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sun.	Feb. 3	11:00am	Sacred Heart Parish
Mon.	Feb. 4	8:00am	All Souls in Purgatory
Tues.	Feb. 5	12:10pm	Edda Berlanda (d)
Thurs.	Feb.7	8:00am	All Souls in Purgatory
		12:10pm	Rusty Caparas (d)
Fri.	Feb. 8	8:00am	All Souls in Purgatory
		12:10pm	Juanita Alcarez (d)
Sat.	Fe.b. 9	8:00am	All Souls in Purgatory
		5:30pm	Sacred Heart Parish

MASS SCHEDULE/PARISH EVENTS/NEWS

• February 3, Sunday

Coffee and donuts after 9:00am and 11:00am Masses Legion of Mary meeting. 12:30pm, Adoration Chapel or Library

• February 4, Monday

SMART (Addictions Recovery) meeting, 6:00pm YAMS Scriptures Series, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

• February 5, Tuesday

MPH Devotion after 8:00am, 12:10pm and 5:30pm Masses Parish Rosary, Adoration Chapel, 6:15pm

February 6, Wednesday

RCIA class, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

• February 9, Saturday

Praise & Worship, La Luz de Cristo (Spanish), 10:00am, Adoration Chapel

ARE YOU IN YOUR 20s OR 30s, OR YOUNG AT HEART?

Join the Young Adult Ministry (YAMS) in our faith formation and social gatherings.

Monthly activities include scripture series, hikes, volunteer projects, game nights, and more. See the bulletin board in the vestibule for details. Email yams@sacredheartseattle.org or talk to Fr. Rich for more information.

UPCOMING: Scripture Series, Mondays, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall.