



Four Communities - One Parish Family

ST. JOSEPH & ST. THERESE



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

Ignited by the Eucharist to Love and Serve

St. Joseph

732 18th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98112
www.stjosephparish.org (206) 324-2522
Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm
Mass Times: Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 5:30 pm
Livestream w/ASL 11 am
Reconciliation: By Appointment
Weekday Mass Schedule: Tues-Fri, 7 am



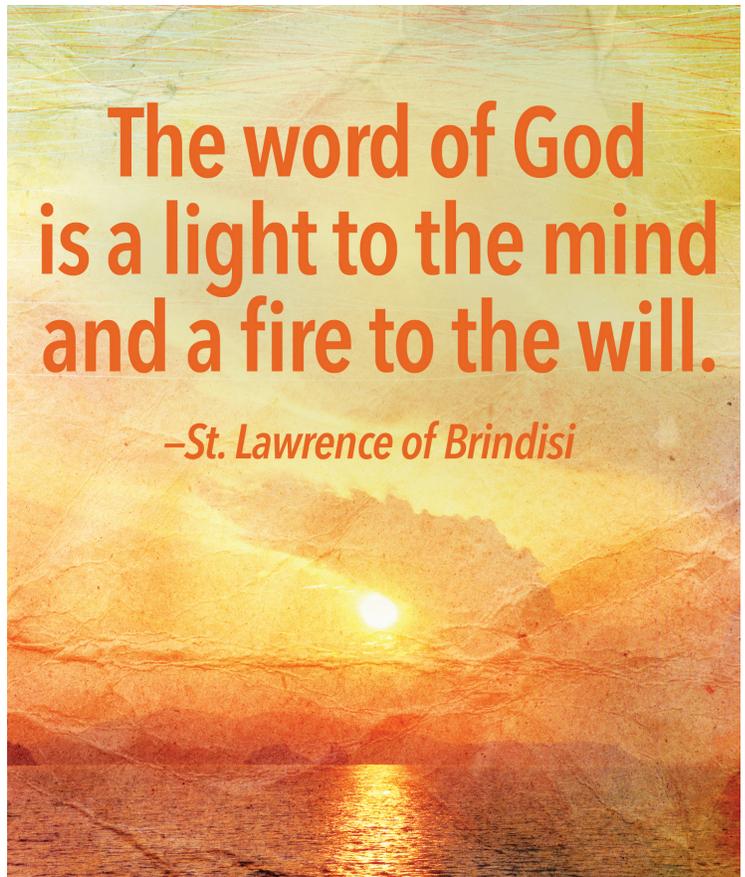
ST. THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Worship With Joy, Work For Justice,
and Grow In God's Love*

St. Therese

3416 E Marion St, Seattle, WA 98122
www.st-therese.cc (206) 325-2711
Office Hours: Mon-Thur 9am-4pm
Mass Times: Sunday 9 am and 11 am
Livestream (9 am) 2nd and 4th Sundays,
(11 am) 1st and 3rd Sundays
Reconciliation: By Appointment

July 20, 2025 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH & ST. THERESE

We are delighted to welcome you to the parish family of St. Joseph and St. Therese today! Whether it is your first time here or you've been coming for years, WELCOME!

Both St. Joseph and St. Therese are known for passionate social outreach, communal worship, education and care for all, and working for justice - whatever your interest, there is a place for your service within our Parish Family. Reach out and join in!

READINGS & PREACHING INFORMATION

This Sunday - July 20, 2025

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 30:10-14

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:15-20

GOSPEL: LUKE 10:25-37

Next Sunday - July 27, 2025

FIRST READING: GENESIS 18:20-32

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 2:12-14

GOSPEL: LUKE 11:1-13

ST. JOSEPH

PRESIDING: MIKE BAYARD, SJ

REFLECTION: KATE SPELTZ

ST. THERESE

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Bulletin Submissions - Please send your article or flyer to bulletin@stjosephparish.org ten (10) days before the Sunday you want it to appear (the Friday of the week before). If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Caprice at caprices@stjosephparish.org

FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

We are blessed having such generous communities. Our ministries and programs would not be possible without our parishioners support. Scan either QR code to give and know that you have our deepest thanks.

St. Joseph Online Giving

Scan the QR code to make a gift.



St. Therese Online Giving

Scan the QR code to make a gift.



THE WEEKLY WORD

A COLUMN WRITTEN BY A MEMBER OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

As Christians, we know that the Lord wants us to focus on him first, to prefer him over the worldly demands for our time and treasure—distractions—even those that might seem productive and necessary. Indeed, scripture reminds us that God knows our needs before we ask—that if we set our hearts on God’s kingdom first, all the other earthly things we need will be given to us. (Mt. 6:8–34.) But, as today’s Gospel illustrates, discerning the difference between what we *should* focus on—and what we *should not*—can be thorny.

Here, two sisters are attending Jesus in their home: Mary, with her attention; and Martha, with her labors. Context suggests these choices are mutually exclusive. Mary has abandoned the housework to be close and present with Jesus, while Martha has chosen to be present in her labors (which other Catholic bibles translate as “do[ing] the serving”). And the situation seems almost immediately unfair: why should Martha do all the work while her sister enjoys a live, in-person exchange with Jesus? I know where I’d rather be. Understandably, Martha petitions Jesus for a solution: *tell her to help me*.

But implicit in Martha’s petition for Mary’s correction is a request that Mary not focus on Jesus, but on Martha and the work that she (Martha) has prioritized—not listening, but doing. There is a season for everything, a time for every occupation, and for Martha, this is a time for work. According to Martha, Mary should not have abandoned her in favor of Jesus, and she should rejoin her sister and abandon Jesus in favor of the housework.

Yet Jesus refuses—Martha’s petition denied! But not unheard. Jesus reminds her of something she already knows in her heart: there is need of only one thing (the Kingdom of God). But what Jesus *does not* say is equally as important as what he *does*. He does not chastise Martha for her labors in doing the serving in the first place. There is nothing wrong or undignified in her choice to fulfill the role of a servant to her sister and Jesus—but equal in dignity is Mary’s choice to fulfill the role of student, listening to the words of God. But like so many petitionary prayers in which we ask God to referee our interpersonal relations, Jesus will not take sides. His gentle words of redirection serve as a simple reminder to prioritize Him.

Resolving conflicting priorities seems easy when the talking, walking Jesus of the first century is in the living room (drop everything and go hang out with Jesus!). Trickier, of course, are the conflicts with subtler, less obvious solutions. With limited time, is it better to spend time at work or with family? Serve on a parish council or organize a bible study? Prayer, thankfully, provides an answer—even if not with the immediate results that Martha sought, hopefully with the wisdom that she received. **So let us pray like Martha and listen like Mary.**

Ryan Graham - Office Administration - St. Joseph Parish



A graphic for the Assumption of Mary. It features a central illustration of the Virgin Mary in a white robe with a blue mantle, standing on a cloud and surrounded by a circular light. To the left is a stylized 'T' with a red flower, and to the right is a blue and white geometric starburst. Below the illustration, the text reads: "THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY" in large blue letters. At the bottom, it says: "Join our Parish Family for Mass on August 15th 7am at St. Joseph 5:30pm at St. Therese May our lives be inspired by your holiness!" in a smaller, elegant font. A small "©LPI" logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the graphic.

PARISH FAMILY NIGHT OUT AT THE BALLPARK



Join St. Therese and St. Joseph for
a fun night out at a Mariners Game!

FRIDAY - AUGUST 8TH

TAMPA BAY RAYS

6:40 PM



ST. JOSEPH PARISH
THE JESUIT PARISH IN SEATTLE

Purchase your tickets using the below
QR code. Additionally we have some
donated tickets, so if you need a
scholarship, do not hesitate to reach out
to caprices@stjosephparish.org

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME
Mariners Tickets - Scan Here



Sister Parish Update

Next Sunday, July 27th, please join us at St. Joseph if you are interested in learning about our longtime Sister Parish relationship in El Salvador. St. Pat's also had a relationship with Nueva Trinidad a parish in El Salvador who merged with our Sister Parish to become San Bartolome. You've probably heard us pray for San Bartolome in our prayers of the faithful each Sunday. We will have a guest reflection by Kate Speltz next Sunday who will share some of our history of partnering with El Salvador.

Connect With LGBTQ Parishioners

We have two ways to connect LGBTQ Parishioners with one another.

1. You can join our newly minted WhatsApp online community @
StJosephSeattleLGBTQ+Ministry. Scan QR to stay informed and to connect.

2. The LGBTQ community has a social every first Sunday of the month after the 5:30 PM Mass at St. Joe's. It is a chance to meet new friends. Just meet in the narthex of the church after Mass to go to a local restaurant with the group. Next social is August 3rd! LGBTQ Parishioners from all four of our communities are welcome to join!



StJosephSeattleLGBTQ+Ministry
WhatsApp group





THIS SUMMER
THE SACRAMENT OF



Reconciliation

WILL BE OFFERED BY
APPOINTMENT ONLY.

PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL
206.324.2522 OR 206.325.2711
FRMIKE@STJOSEPHPARISH.ORG OR
FRPHIL@STJOSEPHPARISH.ORG

Seniors Ministry

Anointing Mass - **Please join us Friday, August 1st at 11:30am for Mass at St. Therese.** For our summer Anointing Mass we're celebrating at St. Therese, please join us there! All four communities are welcome!



Anointing Mass - **Please join us Friday, September 5th at 11:30am for Mass at St. Joseph** followed by a wonderful coffee social hour on the plaza! There will be parking available in the lot. All four communities are welcome!



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Both St. Joseph and St. Therese are blessed to have a St. Vincent de Paul Conference.

The generous donations of parishioners, collected after Masses (1st Sunday of the month at St. Joe's - 3rd Sunday of the month at St. T's), provide the means by which we can help people in need with food, clothing, rent, bus fare and utility bills. St. Vincent de Paul has no overhead expenses, so 100 percent of donations go to help the people we visit. You can also donate by using the QR codes or online at either of our websites. www.stjosephparish.org or www.st-therese.cc

Donate to St. Joseph
St. Vincent de Paul Conference



Donate To St. Therese
St. Vincent de Paul Conference



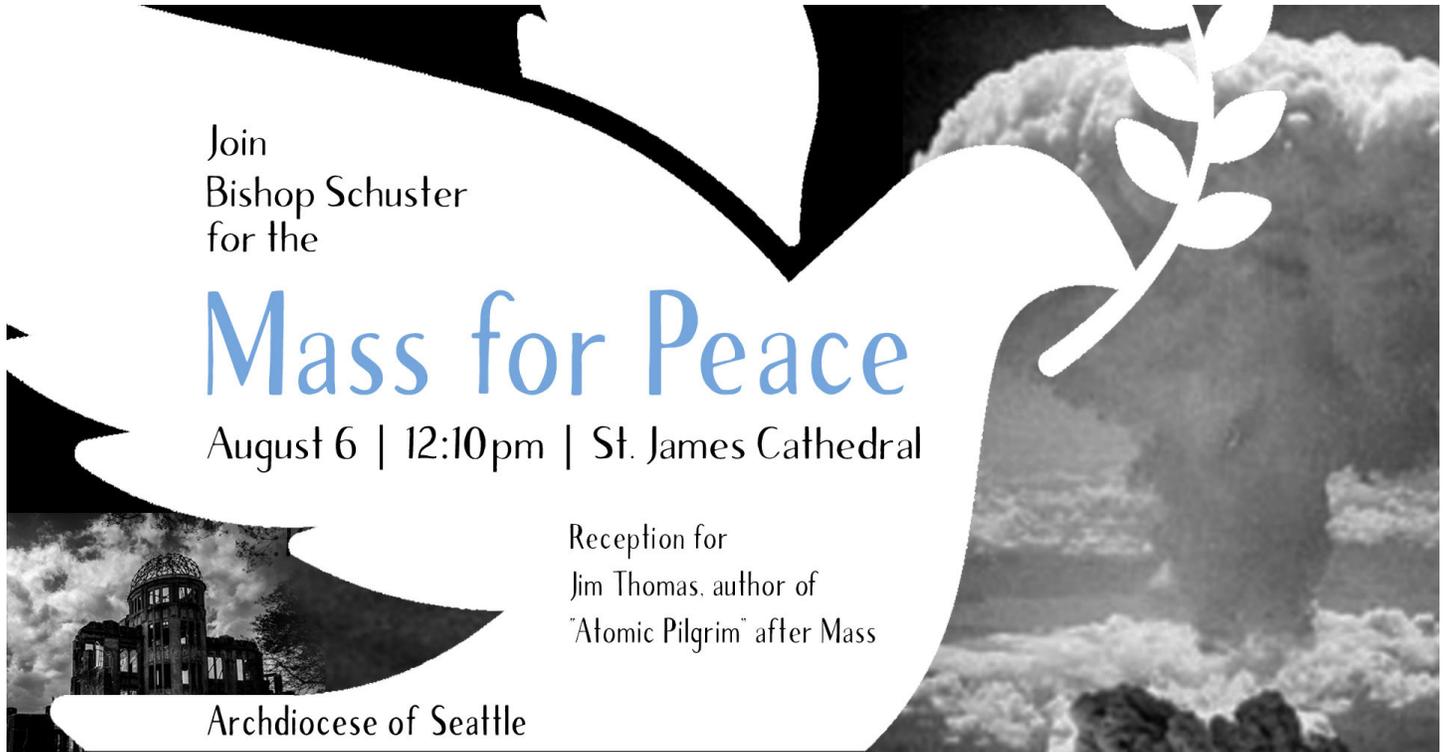
If you are in need of help, please call the helpline at 206-767-6449.

Archdiocese of Seattle Mass for Peace

Join Bishop Schuster and our own Jim Thomas to help commemorate the 80th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima & Nagasaki, Japan at the Annual Mass for Peace.

All are invited to pray for continued peace in our world and reflect on the tragedy of war.

Attend mass in person or livestream on Vimeo, Facebook or [YouTube @ArchdioceseofSeattle](#)



Join
Bishop Schuster
for the

Mass for Peace

August 6 | 12:10pm | St. James Cathedral

Reception for
Jim Thomas, author of
"Atomic Pilgrim" after Mass

Archdiocese of Seattle

Community Fridge

The St. Joseph Community Fridge is located on the corner of 19th and Aloha could use some consistent donations. Especially useful are sandwiches, beverages, and grab and go type items. Leave what you can, take what you need!



COMMUNITY FRIDGE

Our fridge needs donations! It is quite empty.

Sandwiches and snacks are especially helpful!

Leave what you can,
take what you need!
St. Joseph Parish
Community Fridge
On the corner of Aloha & 19th
Call Parish Office with
questions, 206.324.2522

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL IN OUR PARISH FAMILY



Annual Catholic Appeal 2025



Supports the mission of the Catholic Church in Western Washington.



Use QR to donate!

Make your ACA gift today!



St. Joseph

Goal: \$218,482

Actual as of 7/7/25 \$168,608

Balance \$49,874

St. Joe's has received a very generous match donation. Beginning July 15th and ending on July 31st, every dollar given up to \$20,000 will be matched! Let's wrap up this campaign by St. Ignatius' Feast Day on July 31st. Please consider donating!

St. Therese

Goal: \$37,560

Thank you so much to all those who have given! We had so many parishioners set up recurring gifts it edged us over the top!

Recurring gifts last for the duration of the ACA campaign which ends next Easter (4/5/26).

Thank you St. Therese for stepping up to fulfill our responsibilities to the larger church!

Only together can we meet our goals!

St. Joseph Parish



Climate Justice Committee (CJC)

Next meeting: THU August 7 at 7PM. Arrupe Room/Parish Center & online.

Contact: climatejustice@stjosephparish.org ALL ARE WELCOME!

LEGACY FOREST UPDATE

Doc Holliday is still standing! On July 1, CJC represented St. Joseph Parish at the monthly Washington Bureau of Natural Resources meeting. Doc Holliday parcel is the ONLY sale where the logging company is willing to work with the community and DNR to avoid clearcutting. The ask is for Lands Commissioner Upthegrove to amend the contract to support the stakeholders and honor the spirit of peace and collaboration.

SNAKE RIVER SALMON UPDATE

On June 12, the Trump Administration rescinded the Columbia Basin Restoration Initiative (CBRI): the in-depth plan by of six tribal nations to breach the Snake River dams and restore the salmon that are on the brink of extinction.

WE ARE NOT GIVING UP!!

Join us after MASS on **SUNDAY, JULY 27** and **SUNDAY, AUGUST 3** to write letters and postcards

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

Parish Family Sunday School & Sacramental Prep Registration



First Communion Prep

- The archdiocese requires two years of sacramental prep for First Communion.
- The First year is CFF1 (6 years old or first grade).
- The Second year is CFF2 (7 years old or 2nd grade)
- Offered at St. Joseph Parish from 10:15-11:00 AM on Sundays
- Offered at St. Therese Parish as part of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

To register for St. Joseph First Communion Program - www.stjosephparish.org
To register for the St. Therese First Communion Program email nicoles@st-therese.cc



Middle School Confirmation Prep

- For the Sacrament of Confirmation we are offering a combined Parish Family Prep Class
- For those age 13-17, 7th grade and up
- 8 week course from September 28 through November 16
- Class will be located at St. Joseph Parish from 10:30 AM - Noon, Sundays this Fall

To register for the combined Parish Family Confirmation - www.stjosephparish.org



Sunday School at St. Joseph

- Grades Pre-K through 6th follows a traditional Sunday School format
- Offered at St. Joseph Parish from 10:15-11:00 AM during the hospitality hour
- Our curriculum assist families and loved ones in the joy-filled task of nurturing the child's own sacred relationship with God, Creation, and our local and global communities.
- Our Faith Formation team comes from all walks of life and each one has experienced the call to this ministry.

To register for Sunday School at St. Joseph - www.stjosephparish.org



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) at St. Therese

- Grades Prek-6 Montessori style
- A Montessori-based program that recognizes that we are all spiritual creatures and our task as teachers is to draw attention to what God is already doing in the lives of our children
- CGS forms the primary religious education and preparation for the sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation
- Offered at St. Therese Parish on Sundays

To register for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd email nicoles@st-therese.cc

SEARCHING FOR THE LOST SHEEP

A Novena of Hope for Fair and Just Housing in Seattle and King County

The Housing Advocacy Committee, comprised of members from St. James Cathedral and St. Joseph, St. Therese and Christ Our Hope parishes, invites you to pray a 9-day novena for our unhoused sisters and brothers, and to learn about issues intertwined with the housing crisis in Seattle and King County. Heeding the message of the Parable of the Lost Sheep, we are called to make a preferential option for the poor and the vulnerable by caring for our neighbors who struggle with securing and maintaining safe and stable housing.

July 24, 6:30pm at St. Therese Church:

Opening Novena Prayer with reception

July 26-August 1: Days of Novena Prayer

Every morning of the novena, the daily prayers will be emailed to participants, who can then pray the novena at any time suitable for their schedules.

August 1, 6:30pm at St. James Cathedral:

Contemplative Prayer with music from Taizé with reception

On the first Friday of August, novena participants are invited to gather together to conclude the novena for fair and just housing in our region.



Parable of the Lost Sheep, St. Augustine's Church, Londonderry, Northern Ireland

Registration for Novena Prayers and other information,

Patrick Barredo, pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org | 206-382-4515



ST. JOSEPH PARISH



OUR PARISH SCHOOLS



FIND OUT MORE

JOIN THE ST. THERESE CATHOLIC ACADEMY COMMUNITY

- Service learning
- Respectful and responsible community members
- Working for justice
- Diverse and compassionate community

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CALLING ALL ST. JOSEPH ALUMNI



We want to hear from you!

Then & Now!
Tell us what you have been up to.
Email us:
alumni@stjosephsea.org

Update your information here:



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FEAST FEST

Celebrating the Feast of St. Ignatius

Join us at Seattle University's Feast Fest as we celebrate the life and works of the founder of the Society of Jesus. Festivities include a Mass in the Chapel of St. Ignatius and a carnival centered around community, joy, and FUN!



7.31.25



3:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Community Carnival on The Union Green

5:00 p.m.

Mass at the Chapel of St. Ignatius

FOOD - GAMES - PRIZES - FUN

Family-friendly and open to all

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY



SEEL Puget Sound



SEEL Puget Sound Invites You to a Transformational Retreat in Everyday Life

SEEL Puget Sound offers a 9-month retreat of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius that goes from September through May. It is a dynamic program that includes:

- A life-giving daily prayer practice
- Monthly communal retreat mornings meeting at St. Joseph Church (an online option is available!)
- Individual spiritual direction twice a month

SEEL is accepting applications **now** for the program starting September 2025. www.seelpugetsound.org

We offer the retreat at **no set fee** so that all who are accepted can participate. SEEL's mission is to help you experience God's love and discern God's call in your life. Join our community for prayer, support and a deeper relationship with God and Jesus on this transforming pilgrim journey!