



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



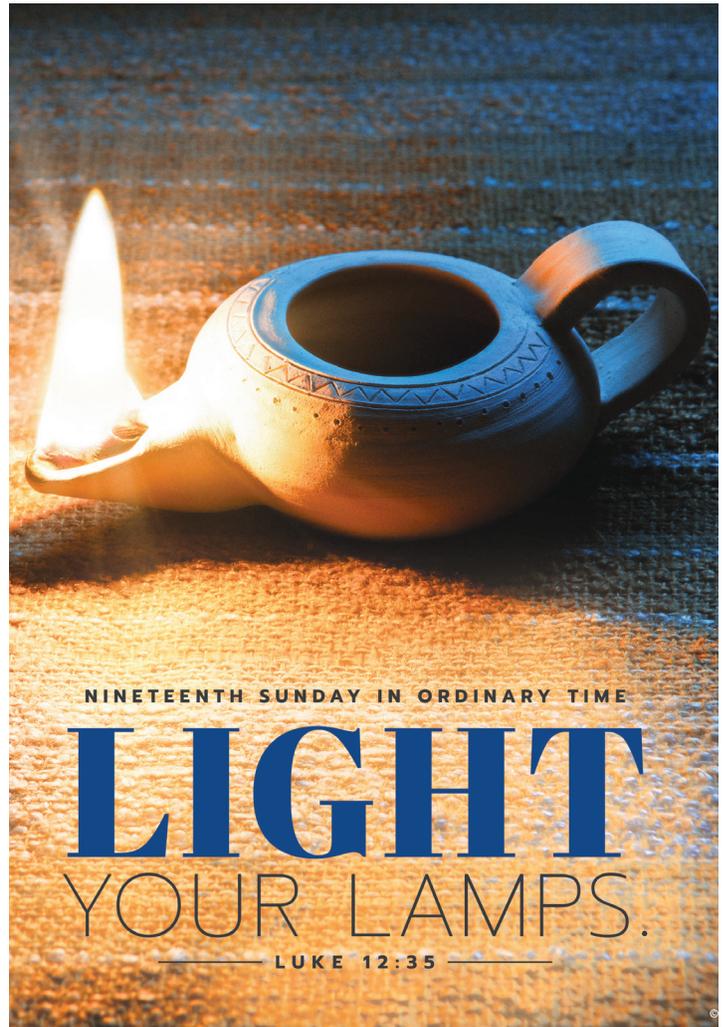
ST. THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

*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

August 10, 2025 - 19th 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 - August 10, 2025

FIRST READING: WISDOM 18:6-9
SECOND READING: HEBREWS 11:1-2, 8-12
GOSPEL: LUKE 12:32-48

Next Sunday - August 17, 2025

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 38:4-6, 8-10
SECOND READING: HEBREWS 12:1-4
GOSPEL: LUKE 12:49-53

ST. JOSEPH

PRESIDING: PHIL BOROUGHS, SJ
PREACHING: DEACON GREG MCNABB

ST. THERESE

PRESIDING: MIKE BAYARD, SJ
REFLECTION: THERESA SHEPHERD-LUKASIK

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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

A year ago, I was discerning the idea of receiving a heart transplant. It wasn't as simple as some might think. As a Catholic, I have heard Jesus' words like today's over and over again. Jesus challenges us to set worry about the future aside and tend to the needs of our neighbors. Throughout my life, I have undergone numerous procedures. Annually for the first 12 years of my life. I wryly commented that I have been a heavy user of healthcare.

I learned early on not to worry about my future. I have spent most of my adult life working for neighbors: parishioners, impoverished, imprisoned, and hospitalized. When on the staff at St Joseph in the late noughts, I travelled to El Salvador with our delegation. I met a young boy dying of kidney disease. Being far from San Salvador and without political or financial contacts, there was nothing that could be done. It was difficult for me to think about receiving two million dollars of treatment when so many lack basic health needs. I don't feel guilty for the services I continue to receive, but I do feel a responsibility to respond to the differences in access.

Our societal norms tell us to value independence, to honor those who have "made it," to walk away from those who haven't, that our relationship with God is individual, private, personal.

Our Catholic norms tell us that community is key, that everyone has value as a child of God, that our relationship with God is best expressed when we gather together and share Eucharist.

I chose to accept the transplant because those around me, family and friends, wanted me around. I survived my low moments post-surgery with confidence in my community of faith, who prayed for me and cared for my wife, and the sense that God has plans for me yet to unfold.

Deacon Greg McNabb



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!

PARISH FAMILY NEWS & EVENTS



5:30 Contemplative Mass Liturgy Listening Session

Sunday | August 10 | 6:30 – 8:00 PM
in the St. Joseph Parish Center

If you attend the 5:30 Contemplative Mass at St. Joseph Parish, our pastoral staff wants your feedback on your experience of community and the liturgy at that Mass. Please join us after Mass, August 10th, for some wine, cheese and appetizers followed by a listening lesson to hear what has been going well, what you miss, and what you might like to see more or less of at this liturgy. If you have any questions, please contact theresal@stjosephparish.org

Seniors Ministry

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!

Senior Mass & Luncheon - **Please join us on Friday, October 4th at 11:30am for Mass**, followed by a delicious luncheon! There is parking available in the lot. All four faith communities are welcome! Mass and lunch at St. Joseph - 732 18th Ave E, Seattle.

The Food Bank @ St. Mary's

Our friends at the foodbank will be joining our Parish Family at Mass. **Sunday, August 10th at St. Therese and Sunday, August 24th at St. Joseph.** They will be sharing their story and inviting us to learn about this local ministry. Founded by the parish community of St. Mary, the Food Bank @ St. Mary provides a unique opportunity for service to those in our community who are food insecure.



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FOOD BANK
@ST. MARY'S

St. Joseph Women's Ministry

Do you desire to build a community and pray with other women in the congregation, in a more relaxed environment? Then come help create *Calming Kinship*!

Calming Kinship is a new group for those who identify as female to share in meaningful prayer; to build a safe and calming space for connection; and to grow into a kinship of faith and support. *Calming Kinship* will offer topics throughout the months that will include various forms of prayer, personal and group reflections and low-key activities. We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 7:00 to 8:15PM (August 19th), in the Mother Theresa room, in the St. Joseph parish center. August's topic is "Faithful Friendships".

The Women's Ministry would enjoy having you to come help create *Calming Kinship*, please note that this is open to women from all four of our communities! Join us!

Questions? women@stjosephparish.org

St. Therese Laudato Si Ministry

Care for Our Common Home Work Party
Saturday, August 16, 2025, 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Join us to spruce up the grounds!
Questions or to RSVP, jvrussell85@gmail.com
Repeats every third Saturday of the month



St. Joseph Climate Justice Committee

The St. Joe's Climate Justice Committee thanks all who signed the parish letters to our lawmakers supporting the salmon of the Pacific Northwest and the treaty rights of the peoples who have lived with an honored them since time immemorial.

God endowed humankind with the gift of words in order to create goodness in the world. Words have power. As people of faith, we are being called upon to speak for the voiceless.

But what is it to be a person of faith working for climate justice? Faith is more than belief—it is trust in what is good, just, and life-giving, even when the way is uncertain. It is a call to action: to care for creation, stand with the vulnerable, and live with hope and courage.

Thank you for stepping up. Please continue to contact CJC with you ideas, concerns, and creativity (climatejustice@stjosephparish.org) and as always: ALL are welcome to our monthly meetings, our next meeting is Thursday, September 4th at 7pm, in the St. Joe's parish center!

Please help: Climate Justice is partnering with Seattle University's Campus Ministry to build an outdoor clothing closet for their low-income students wanting to attend ecospirituality retreats in the outdoors. If you have any rain jackets, boots, or other outdoor essentials, please bring new and/or gently used outdoor gear to **Mass on Sunday, August 24th**. Our team will be collecting in the vestibule. Questions? climatejustice@stjosephparish.org

ST. THERESE COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

By Kaylee Schmelzer, Teacher Grade 2, St. Therese Catholic Academy

Hello from your friendly STCA garden team! It has been a joy to watch our school/parish garden come alive under the care of various students with different levels of experience. It has sparked many important lessons about the needs of plants, where food comes from, sharing in community, and the partnership between the parish and school. *No, I laugh, this is not my house... No, I'm not trespassing either.*



My goal this year has been to start simple, involve the students in everything, and dream big about a space where my passions intersect: growing, teaching, and community. Students of different ages have been part of every bit: planning, weeding, seeding, pruning, watering, harvesting, and teaching each other about the food bank. And yes, there's some tasting. For quality control, of course. So far it has been scrappy and informal. We puzzled over the plans with extra class time, planted and weeded after school, and tended with "Fun Friday" minutes. We are making regular summer school treks to prune, thin, and harvest. It's a teaching garden, so it's imperfect in its yields, but perfect in its instructional purpose. I remember who planted almost every row and what it was like to do that with them.



All the moments I've spent in this garden with students are constant reminders of why I got into teaching in the first place. This learning is relational, it's hands-on, and it means something. As we learn and grow, I have more goals too. I'd like to learn more about extended-season growing and preserving seeds. I'd like to use the garden to teach all subjects, and make it a living lab for next year's second-grade science fair entry. I'd also like to think about using the produce to support food security within the STCA community and involving families in its care. One step at a time, for now. Thank you as always for your parish partnership, from financial support to the physical space to your prayers over our students. I am so grateful to be part of this community and trusted with this project. - Kaylee Schmelzer



Kaylee and her husband this summer.

About Kaylee: I joined St. Therese this year after a few years of subbing in Bellevue. I was referred to St. Therese by a few parents who I went to church with. They told me how much St. Therese is rooted in community and feels like family. My church is passionate about serving and worshipping in the Central District and I was eager to move my teaching practice closer to home. This job was a gift from God, and I'm so happy to be here.

You're closer to God's heart in a garden than any place else on earth. – Dorothy Frances Gurney



WATCH PARTY & PRAYER

Join the St. Joseph/St. Therese parish family on September 3 for an evening of prayer, testimony, and witness on the day our Church commemorates St. Phoebe the Deacon.

"THE HOLY SPIRIT CANNOT BE STOPPED!"

Paragraph 60 of the Final Document of the Synod opens pathways to expanded leadership for women. The study of restoring women to the Permanent Diaconate is still active and ongoing. On 9/3, faith communities around the world will come together virtually to pray for St. Phoebe's intercession for our synodal, diaconal Church as we continue to discern about women's participation for the sake of advancing the mission of the Church.

09.03.2026

5-7:30 P.M. PT
Arrupe Room, St. Joseph

RSVP

The Watch Party & Prayer will be followed by a wine/cheese social.

For planning purposes, please RSVP to theresal@stjosephparish.org

Parish Family Volunteers Needed

Both St. Joseph and St. Therese are looking for volunteers to help in the church. Tasks like straightening the pews, restocking envelopes, changing out bulletins, etc. If you feel like you can help in this endeavor please reach out to Erin Smith, our Director of Operations at esmith@stjosephparish.org

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

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



OCIA

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS



COME AND SEE: Is the Invitation Jesus Offers Us.

OCIA is the response to that call.

Sundays, September 28 – April 26 from 3:45pm – 5:15pm

St. Joseph's Parish Center, in the Arrupe Room

- ♦ Are you, your spouse, a friend, or an acquaintance a member of another faith tradition, but worship regularly here at the St. Joseph and St. Therese Parish Family and want to know more?
- ♦ Are you experiencing God's call in your life and seeking Baptism, Full Communion or Confirmation in the Catholic Church?
- ♦ If so, please consider participating in the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults. OCIA is an opportunity to explore your faith questions with others and learn what the Catholic Church teaches. It is a process of discernment and gradual conversion to become a full member of the Body of Christ and the Catholic Church through the sacraments.
- ♦ We begin with your faith journey, your questions about the faith, and if you discover that you want baptism, communion and confirmation, you will continue on in your journey toward becoming Catholic, but no commitment is required for the first few months of the journey.

If you are interested contact Theresa Shepherd-Lukasik

theresal@stjosephparish.org or 206-508-3079

Immigrant Rights Meeting

At our last meeting, 35 people came! We had good representation from St Joes, St T's, and St Mary's. Some folks also joined us from out of the Seattle area.

Our action items include 3 categories: prayer/liturgy, advocacy/education, and public actions/resistance training.

If you would like to get involved, our next meeting is at St Therese, on Sunday, Aug 17th, between Masses, 10 AM.

All Parish Family Members Welcome!



AUG. 17 AT ST THERESE

Join us at 10am!

**NEXT MEETING
IMMIGRANTS RIGHTS:
TOGETHER WE DEEPEN
RESISTANCE &
WITNESS HOPE**

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS



JOIN THE ST. THERESE CATHOLIC ACADEMY COMMUNITY

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

IGNITING FAITH, MINDS, AND DREAMS SINCE 1927



Volunteers Needed at St. Therese Catholic Academy

The 1st and 2nd grade classrooms at St. Therese Catholic Academy are in need of volunteers to help during the 2025-2026 school year. The commitment would be 8:30-11:30am one morning per week. You would help the teacher with reading, writing and math. If you are interested in finding out more, please email us and we will connect you.

We guarantee this will be the most fun volunteer job of your life! Thank you so much for considering this opportunity to support such a valuable ministry. All parish family volunteers welcome!

Gina Purdy & Mary Brannan, maryjanebrannan@gmail.com

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:



PARTNER MINISTRIES

Breaking Open the Word **THE IGNATIAN WAY**

Ministry formation programs for BIPOC and Young Adults

Rooted in the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, The Ignatian Way is a dual-track nine-month formation program that forms emerging leaders for public ministry in preaching and spiritual companionship, while nurturing care for the whole person with retreats and regular prayer.



IGNATIAN WAY PREACHERS

The Ignatian Way Preachers program forms persons to break open the Word with imagination, justice, and spiritual depth. The process nurtures authentic, culturally relevant proclamation for today's diverse communities.

IGNATIAN WAY SPIRITUAL COMPANIONS

The Ignatian Way Spiritual Companions program forms persons to listen, share the Word, and guide prayer in one-on-one and group settings. The process prepares them to guide others with authenticity, spiritual depth, and attention to God's movement.

PARTICIPANTS CAN EXPECT

- Experiential learning of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius
- Care for the whole person through retreats, rest, and prayer
- One-on-one coaching (Preachers) or spiritual direction (Spiritual Companions)
- Enriched learning through small cohorts of diverse participants
- A funded year-end individual or team project
- Structured support for their ministry after the formation year

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

The Ignatian Way formation programs are open to BIPOC and young adult individuals who are committed to sharing their faith with others: emerging leaders, lay ministers, pastors, teachers, spiritual directors, chaplains, and others who seek to deepen a call to ministry in their community.

LEARN MORE & APPLICATION

Applications are due August 30 Visit our website at ignatiancenter.org/ignatian-way or contact Carla Orlando, Ignatian Way Program Manager, at carla@ignatiancenter.org.



L'Arche Seattle Invites You!

L'Arche Seattle is having a celebratory Mass in honor of their 50th Anniversary at the Chapel of St. Ignatius, at Seattle U and you are invited! Steve Sundborg, SJ is presiding, Father Mike Ryan will preach, and our very own Deacon Steve will be serving, as well! The Mass is at **1pm on Saturday, August 23**, with a reception directly following in the Oberto Room. Go to <https://larcheseattle.org/get-involved/events/> to RSVP for the reception.