

"The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart."

- Psalm 19:8-14

# **Registration for Mass No Longer Required!**



Our amazing ASL interpreter team

#### "Toward an Ever Wider "We"

# **Dear Sisters and Brothers In Christ,**

Every two seconds someone in the world is forced to leave their home and everything they know, totaling nearly 70 million people who are forcibly displaced. With the threat of violence, persecution, or disaster they make the only choice they can – leave their homes and flee. *Do we care, or have we inadvertently fallen into the trap of what Pope Francis calls the "globalization of indifference?"* 

This week, the Catholic Church in the United States observes National Migration Week and World Day of Migrants and Refugees. This year's observance provides us with an opportunity to reflect on the difficult and often dangerous situations confronting so many migrants and refugees. It is particularly poignant as our nation opens its arms to refugees from around the world, particularly Special Immigrant Visa holders from Afghanistan, who are fleeing violence and oppression. Pope Francis has announced that this year the theme is "Toward an Ever Wider "We". This theme reminds us that those who are forced to leave their homeland in search of safety are part of the global 'we' that make up our human family. Our faith and Catholic Social Teaching teach that every family has the right to live in safety and dignity. That is why we welcome refugees and asylum seekers with open hearts and helping hands. Pope Francis emphasizes that "'this focus calls on us to ensure that 'after all this, we will think no longer in terms of 'them' and 'those,' but only 'us'' (Fratelli tutti).

This year, we invite you to take some time during the upcoming National Migration Week and World Day of Migrants and Refugees to reflect on how we can better welcome, protect, promote, and integrate migrants living in our midst. How can we counter the globalization of indifference that affects us all? What policies can we promote that will affirm the dignity of migrants and better secure the common good? How do we work more fully to promote a Church for all? You can also pray with an online reflection sponsored by Catholic Relief Services (CRS) by following the link <u>Online Prayer Retreat for Migrants and Refugees |</u> <u>CRS</u>

Let us prayerfully and seek to serve our brothers and sisters so we may grow closer to Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Should you wish to write and engage with local legislators please reach out to me, <u>dtighe@christourhope.org</u> for assistance.

# Peace... Deanna Tighe Pastoral Associate

View all of Deacon Dennis homilies by clicking here

# Sunday Online Mass Schedule

Mass will be hosted LIVE at 10:30 AM online via <u>Facebook</u>\*



\* As an alternative to Facebook, you NOW can also attend Mass by joining the Hospitality Zoom meeting <u>here</u>. Join at 10:30 AM for Mass and then enjoy Hospitality immediately following Mass!

> Or find the Mass via YouTube (Masses posted within 24 hrs.)

# Sunday Readings:

(You can also access them <u>here</u>)

First Reading Nm 11:25-29; Psalm Ps 19:8-14; Second Reading Jas 5:1-6; Gospel Mk 9:38-43

## **JustFaith Ministries on Racial Justice**

St. Patrick Church and Christ Our Hope continue to confront the sin of Racism and will offer

the JustFaith Ministries on Racial Justice. Please join Deanna Tighe, Lisa Dennison, and Jan Thomas in seeking racial equity within our families, church, and community. Faith & Racial Equity: Exploring Power & Privilege is an eight-session program that includes scriptural grounding, reflection on past and present racial injustices, and conversation about how power and privilege have contributed to racial inequity in our country for centuries.

The series will be on Monday nights from 6:30 PM – 8:15 PM and commences on October 11th, Indigenous People's Day, and runs through November and Black Catholic History Month. There is no cost for this series, however, books used will be charged at \$45 and easy to obtain. If you need financial help with the books, please indicate that during registration. To register for this series please email Deanna Tighe at <u>dtighe@christourhopeseattle.org</u>. If you have questions please email Lisa Dennison at <u>lisa2karl@aol.com</u> or Jan Thomas at <u>jrthomas789@gmail.com</u>.

## Archdiocese of Seattle Signs the Healthy Planet, Healthy People Petition

The Archdiocese of Seattle signed the Healthy Planet, Healthy People Petition, which calls political leaders to set meaningful targets to protect creation and affirm the Paris Agreement at the upcoming UN Biodiversity Conference (COP15) and UN Climate Change Conference (COP26).

"We have signed this petition because our planet is in peril, facing an unprecedented ecological crisis," said Archbishop Paul D. Etienne. "Scientists from around the globe share alarming trend data on the desertification of our forests, increasing temperatures, the acidification of our oceans, and more. The issues caused by our reckless consumerism, irresponsibility, and indifference not only harm the delicate balance of our natural ecosystem but harm our poorest brothers and sisters. We must remember this is our common home and we are all responsible for its care."

A copy of the full announcement can be found <u>HERE</u>.

#### Wednesday Movie Night: YOUTH V GOV

We continue our series of powerful *Care for Creation* movie series. Join us on Zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87671456490?



**pwd=R09WSENPMWFwMndZRnFVZjJxZ3J2UT09**), Wednesday, September 29th at 7 PM, for viewing and discussion.

#### YOUTH v GOV (2020) (https://www.youthvgovfilm.com/)

YOUTH v GOV is the story of America's youth taking on the world's most powerful government. Since 2015, twenty-one plaintiffs, now ages 13 to 24, have been suing the U.S. government for violating their constitutional rights to life, liberty, personal safety, and property through their willful actions in creating the climate crisis they will inherit. But YOUTH v GOV is about more than just a lawsuit. It is the story of empowered youth finding their voices and fighting to protect their rights and our collective future. This is a revolution designed to hold those in power accountable for the past and responsible for a sustainable future. And many of the movement's leaders aren't even old enough to vote. (Yet.)

"A vital story of a key judicial battle in the ongoing war against man-made climate change,

this film is a splendidly-made and urgent coming-of-age tale for our time. Its first-class production values are a rarity among the far too few contemporary films dealing with the desire of youth for a cleaner environment. What makes this one particularly poignant is the diverse all-star team of precocious youth who've been recruited to join the ongoing messy quest for environmental justice."

We look forward to viewing and discussing it on Wednesday, see you there!

# **Blessing of the Animals**

A special Zoom Blessing of the Animals will take place at 3 PM on Sunday, October 3rd a day before the Feast Day of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. The story of St. Francis can be found <u>HERE</u>.

All are invited to bring their special companion animals to the blessing online. If you have children in your household who are without pets they are encouraged to attend online and bring a cherished stuffed animal. The Zoom link for the Blessing of the Animals will be published next week.

# **Care for Creation Network**

Care for Creation Network will host an interfaith prayer and action gathering to ground ourselves with our indigenous neighbors in celebration of the Season of Creation at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Parish. The Interfaith Prayer Service will take place between



10 AM - 11 AM on Saturday, September 25th. An outline of the hour is as follows;

#### **10 AM - 11 AM INTERFAITH PRAYER SERVICE**

- Welcome with Pastor Fr. Kevin Duggan
- Land Recognition
- Music
- Faith Reflections
- Community Member Commitments
- Petitions & Blessing
- Call to Action Join our community to stand in solidarity with the Duwamish Tribe

The event will be in-person and live-streamed using the links below: <u>https://vimeo.com/event/1099225</u> I <u>https://www.facebook.com/pg/olgparishseattle/videos/</u>

## Host an International Student



Please consider hosting an international student from

Kennedy Catholic High School. You would be providing an important and valuable experience by offering a true glimpse into an American family's life. If you are interested in learning more about being a host, <u>read more</u> and fill out this <u>inquiry form</u> and a housing coordinator will contact you. A generous stipend is provided. We appreciate your support of Kennedy Catholic High School. Please contact Ms. In Vilai at 206.972.3291 or email <u>housing@kennedyhs.org</u> if you have any questions.

## How to Have a Good Death

St. Patrick faith community and Wallingford Senior Center invite you to join our virtual presentation: How to Have a Good Death. This forum will take place Sunday, October 24th from 1 PM - 5 PM. Presenters include Elaine Clark (Jim's story: A Non-Traditional Way to Say Goodbye); Walt Patrick (A Place for Green Burial); Char Barrett (Home Vigil); Greg Simard & Tom Harvey (Traditional Catholic Options); Trudy James (Introduction: Preparing for Death Seminars). Registration for this Zoom event will be forthcoming in early October. No cost. We hope you can join us!



# **Continuing Engagement Opportunities**

We encourage you to attend Sunday hospitality immediately after St. Patrick Mass at 10:30 AM. Hospitality will be hosted by Betsey Beckman and Sandi Tennyson via ZOOM (Click HERE for link) around 11:30 AM.

Join Fr. Hersey for <u>Coffee and Conversation</u> on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 AM.

Dr. David and Ruth Ard host a weekly scripture study group, Breaking Open The Word on Wednesday afternoons at 4 PM.

Alternatively, join a virtual small Women's group, Encountering God, which gathers online on Thursdays at 11 AM. This is a sixty-minute women's reflection group led by Lisa Dennison and Deanna Tighe.

Join our Thursday Evening Carbon Footprint Discussion Group at 7 PM via Zoom.

A new **Games Night** schedule is being developed more information is to come soon.

Please email **Deanna Tighe** if you have questions about these events or ideas on other ways you would like to engage.

