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Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis. And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "*Ephphatha!*"— that is, "Be opened!" — And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly. He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it. They were exceedingly astonished and they said, "He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak." Mk 7:31-37 Bartholomeus Breenbergh, "*Christ Healing the Deaf Mute of Decapolis*," 1635, Louvre

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Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time— Year B — September 5, 2021

Pastor's Thoughts

The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 04, 2021

Restore All Things in Christ

Part III: Faith Formation

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ & Friends of St. John Vianney:

In my *Pastor's Thoughts* letter last week, I wrote about how important faith formation is in our lives. A disciple of Jesus recognizes that faith formation is crucial for their life-long relationship with the Lord, and for their life as a Catholic. Faith formation helps to restore and renew that relationship. This week in *Pastor's Thoughts* we're going to look at our parish family's Faith Formation ministry and how you and I participate in it.... We all have a role and a responsibility!

Discipleship, the work of the Church, is the restoration and renewal of the world with the message of the Gospel. In word and sacrament; faith and action; and in charity and justice, we grow in holiness and love, and we build a Civilization of Love (the Kingdom of God). If you look at our parish prayer for the year, it echoes these aspects of discipleship... *"In our celebration and adoration of the Eucharist, and in our works of service, charity and justice, may we come to know and love Jesus more deeply and experience His true joy in our lives."* Discipleship begins with our active engagement with the Gospel! Faith formation, as a life-long endeavor supports and sustains us as members of God's family, the Church. In the restoration and renewal of our parish family life and ministries in this next year as we engage the Archdiocese Pastoral Planning Process, focusing on the renewal of faith formation in our families and in our parish, family is the keystone to knowing the Lord and embracing his mission.

Family is Everything! The family is the framework that God set out for human sanctification. Holiness in the human experience achieved its highest moment in the mystery of the Incarnation when God became flesh and Jesus became one of us as a member of a family. The family as the Domestic Church is where our faith and love are fostered, and we grow in holiness through our participation in our family's life.

Our families – your family and my family – are paths to holiness. They are (imperfect) reflections of the holiness and love of God present in the first holy family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph. Nonetheless, our participation in our family's life is what God hopes for and intends. Both in our blood family of the Domestic Church, and in our parish family, our participation in our faith life/faith formation is what strengthens and grows the gifts of faith, charity, love, forgiveness, justice, mercy and service, etc. in us. Catechesis (faith formation) done within the context of the family is the best form of faith formation, and is what the Church intends for how the path to our holiness is best accomplished.

As I mentioned in last week's *Pastor's Thoughts* letter, we will be changing the course of focus of on Faith Formation to embrace an inter-generational model, that truly reflects how we share and live faith in the life of our families. What's IFF all about and what will it look like here at SJV?

Intergenerational Faith Formation (IFF) will help us to come to know Jesus and embrace his mission by making Christ Jesus (more) the center of our lives and the center of learning and sharing about our faith as Catholics. As a parish family, Intergenerational Faith Formation will give us an opportunity to learn from each other and share our faith with each other just as we do in our own families. IFF will also help us to come to know Jesus Christ more by leading us to a greater engagement of the Church's Mission in word, sacrament, works of mercy and justice. IFF will help us come to know and love Jesus all the more by drawing us deeper into the heart of the Mass and the liturgy. The Mass is always our first teacher in the ways of faith...It's where our faith is first caught and taught, and where we encounter the Lord in worship.

Beginning in October, once a month (usually on the 2nd Sunday of the month), will be "Faith Formation Sunday", where we'll gather in the Parish Hall after Mass for about 90 minutes for prayer, food, faith-sharing, fellowship, and fun. Each Faith Formation Sunday will begin with prayer/morning prayer, watch a video presentation, and then breaking off into smaller cohorts or groups pertaining to our age groups, (for instance: young children, youth, adults, etc.) we'll talk about what we learned. We're going to start the year off by learning together about the Mass by doing a Biblical Walk-Thru of the Mass. Additionally, in the "off" Sundays when we are not meeting, I'm going to have a short (5 question) online quiz for anyone and everyone to take that will focus on the Mass... asking fun questions about Mass and usually the Mass that we celebrated together that weekend. Last year with our Confirmation preparation, I prepared weekly quizzes for the Confirmandi and their parents, and they seemed to enjoy taking these quizzes. We'll begin them on the first weekend in October, and so I will have more to tell you about them then. I just know that doing Faith Formation intergenerationally will be much fun for all of us, and reap enormous fruit and blessings in our lives.

May God's Grace and Peace be Yours,

Fr. David

Positivity, Relator, Futuristic, Developer, Empathy

Personal Religious Faith Demands Engagement!



2021-22 SACRAMENT PREPARATION SESSIONS FOR 1ST RECONCILIATION/ HOLY COMMUNION

We will gather downstairs on all Faith Formation Sundays, with at-home sessions provided for parents and children.

Dates for 2021-2022 in-person sessions:

Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12, Jan. 9, Feb. 13 Mar. 13, Apr. 10, May 8, Jun. 12

June 18: First Holy Communion Retreat

June 19: First Holy Communion Mass and reception

We will be using the *Go Seek Find* lesson plan with Spanish/English parent guides.

Please email Mary Lawrence at marylawrence.sjv@gmail.com to enroll.

WELCOME BACK (SOON) TO SJV, FR. FRED

Fr. David is leaving for vacation after this weekend. His cousin Fr. Fred Mayovsky will be braving the WSF to come to SJV from Bellarmine Preparatory School where he lives in the Jesuit residence and will celebrate Mass for us the weekends of September 11th-12th & 17th-18th.

Fr. David, have a great trip. Fr. Fred, we look forward to seeing you.

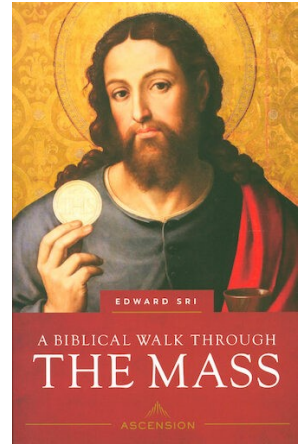


USCCB Action Alerts For Immigration Reform

Congress currently has the opportunity to pass positive immigration reform laws via the budget reconciliation process. Click on these action alerts for our WA Senators [Action Center \(votervoice.net\)](https://www.votervoice.net) and Representatives [Action Center \(votervoice.net\)](https://www.votervoice.net) to urge them to pass legislation that would provide legal status with a path to citizenship for Dreamers, Temporary Protected Status (TPS)/Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) holders, migrant agricultural workers, and other undocumented essential workers.

It is September—just a month until Faith Formation for the whole parish begins.

- + All parish formation offering
- + Every 2nd Sunday of the month, starting Oct. 10
- + Directly after Mass in the Parish Hall
- + Formation and fellowship opportunities for all ages



For the first series of Faith Formation Sundays, we will explore the beauty and history of the Mass and why it's the source and summit of our life in Christ. We will be following the text and video series [A Biblical Walk through the Mass](#) by Dr. Edward Sri.

After watching a short video presentation for all, we will break into table groups and have age-appropriate discussions around our tables, then come back together to close the session with a prayer.

Our table groups and classes will be facilitated by SJV parishioners.

We are looking for a couple more people who would like to be table leaders for the adult tables. If you are interested, please get in touch with Mary Lawrence who will let you know how fun it will be to take on this extra role in our All-Parish Faith Formation program. Thank you.

Mary Lawrence, Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation
206-495-3870 marylawrence.sjv@gmail.com

In January, we are launching our parish participation in the [The Domestic Church Project](#). All sacrament prep families and other parish families will sign up for a 10-week series engaged around the family meal table. Read about it by clicking on the link above and get excited! Basically, this series enlivens faith in the home through short audio lessons, family discussions around a meal, and parish events.

(We are planning a kick off potluck*, Reconciliation service, Family Holy Hour, and a parish reception after renewal of baptismal promises).

Get started in your families now by accessing *Catholic Sprouts*, *The Daily Podcast for Catholic Kids That Strives to Plant Seeds of Faith*



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AT HOME WITH FAITH

Please use the link below to access this week's *At Home with Faith* family prayer and study sheet. You will also find the link to sign up for *At Home with Faith* emails. [At Home with Faith Main - Office of Marriage and Family life - Seattle, WA \(seattlearchdiocese.org\)](https://seattlearchdiocese.org)



PRAYER FOR RAIN

As the West continues to experience severe drought in many parts of the region, which is leading to depleted water supplies, water restrictions, forest fires and more hardships, the Metropolitan Archbishops from Los Angeles to Anchorage are asking everyone to prayerfully implore the Lord to send us rain.

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, grant us sufficient rain, so that, being supplied with what sustains us in this present life, we may seek more confidently what sustains us for eternity.

Heavenly Father, we beg your protection, save us from the perils of drought and fire, so that we may continue to serve you in good health, safety, and peace.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

(Adapted Collect from the Roman Missal)

HOLY HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



*This Friday evening Fr. David will celebrate a Eucharistic Holy Hour entitled "Reparation to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus." The Homily of tonight's Holy Hour will focus on the great mysteries of Jesus' Transfiguration and Transubstantiation.

*Thursday Eucharistic Adoration —this period of silent reverence directly follows the Thursday Daily Mass each week. Please come and sit quietly with our Lord.

Besides trusting in Joseph's sure protection, the Church also trusts in his noble example, which transcends all individual states of life and serves as a model for the entire Christian community, whatever the condition and duties of each of its members may be. —St. John Paul II



IN MEMORY OF BRAD MIDDLEING

Thank you to the Beck Family, especially Herb and Herbie, for the truly wonderful dahlias they have grown. The two Becks arranged their dahlias and decorated the altar with them for the memorial Mass for Brad Middleing celebrated here yesterday.

We are so grateful for these flowers, and for all the flowers our parishioners bring to enhance our altar where we hear the Gospel and receive Communion. Thank you to our gardeners.

Last weekend's pink dahlia extravaganza was courtesy of Erin Simmons... thank you, Erin!!!

COVID-19 MASK MANDATES

In Washington a Universal Indoor Mask Mandate is now in effect.

At SJV all parishioners, employees, volunteers, and visitors must wear a mask while inside any building on a parish campus.

All parishioners must wear a mask covering one's nose and mouth during all indoor Masses. There are brief allowances for placing the Communion Host in our mouths, and for lectors while at the ambo and Fr. David while at the altar and ambo.

PARISH WEDNESDAY EVENING ZOOM ROSARY

In September are praying the Joyful Mysteries. Please join your fellow parishioners for a half hour of quiet prayer and parish friendship.

Wednesdays from 7-7:30PM.
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82393684503> Meeting ID: 823 9368 4503

or: One tap mobile +12532158782, 82393684503# US



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil **5:00 PM**

Sunday Mass **9:00 AM**

Daily Mass, Wed.—Fri. **Noon**

SACRAMENTS

Eucharistic Adoration

Th. 12:45, Fri. 7:00pm

Reconciliation Sat. 3:30-4:30, and by appointment

HORARIO DE MISAS

Sabado 5 pm

Domingo 9 am

Miercoles—Viernes, 12-1 pm

SACRAMENTOS Bautizo: Avisar 1 mes antes y preparacion se requiere

Matrimonio: Avisar 6 meses antes y preparacion

Reconciliacion: Sabados 3:30-4:30 y con cita

Adoracion de Eucaristia: Viernes 7:00

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: EMERGENCY

HOTLINE Please call/llame por favor the St. Vincent de Paul hotline if in need of emergency help/ayuda de emergencia: 206-450-7577

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY Please call the office at 206-567-4149 if you know of anyone sick or homebound and who wants to receive Communion.

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Prayer for the Sick Requests

Please submit requests to Barbara Powell at waltersmom50@gmail.com or 707-812-2420.

John M. Baldessari—Healing

Brad Middling—Rest in Peace



Mass Volunteers This Weekend

<u>Position</u>	<u>Vigil</u>	<u>9:00 AM</u>
Sacristan	MA Beardsley	Ellen Stewart
Greeter	Tom Terry	_____
Lector 1	Ann Scafe	Matt Lawrence
Lector 2	J. Charnews	Andrew Casad
EMC	Ann Scafe	Andrew Casad
Altar Server	Tallis Sullivan	Miriam Casad
Altar Server	Bailey Sullivan	_____
Safety Volunteer	Darlyn Sullivan	Ann Zapf
Accompanist	Charles Lovekin	Michelle Casad
Cantor	Anne Terry	Mary Lawrence



So many of us are back at SJV, but now that we switched over to Online Giving, it is so quick and simple, we hope parishioners will continue to donate via our Online Giving accounts for our sacrificial giving.

Go to [St John Vianney - Vashon, WA \(stjohnvianneyvashon.com\)](http://stjohnvianneyvashon.com) and click on the Online Giving link – it's quick and easy! Call the office if you would like us to talk you through the steps.



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