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> The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL November 17, 2013

# The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (Saturday 5:30pm)

PRELUDE (Saturday 5:30pm & Noon)

Prelude in C

(8:00 & 10:00)

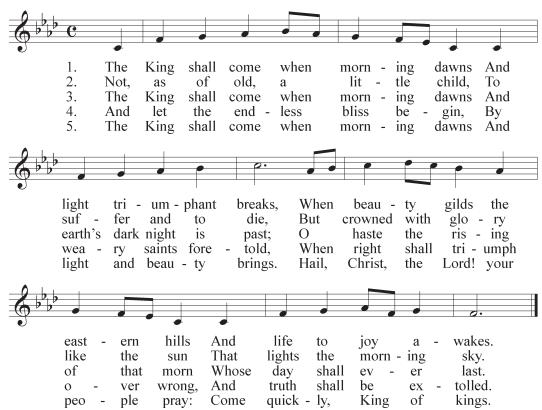
Callahan
Scherzo
Duruflé

#### THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

**ENTRANCE** 

The King shall come when morning dawns

MORNING SONG



WELCOMING OF THE CHILDREN TO BE BAPTIZED

(Saturday 5:30pm)

PENITENTIAL ACT

St. James Mass for Peace
Herbolsheimer



(10:00)

"Kyrie" from Misa Scala Arentina

Valls

(All other Masses)

Glory to God in the highest, We praise you, we bless you, we glorify you, we give you thanks Lord God, heavenly King, Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, you take away the sins of the world, you take away the sins of the world, You are seated at the right hand of the Father. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, with the Holy Spirit,

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and on earth peace to peo-	ple of	good	will.
we a-	dore		you,
for	your	great	glory.
O God, almight-	y Fa-		ther.
Lord God, Lamb of God,	Son of	the	Father,
have	mer- cy	on	us;
re-	ceive	our	prayer;
have	mer- cy	on	us.
you alone are the Most in the glory of	High Je-	sus	Christ,
God the Father,	A	-	men.

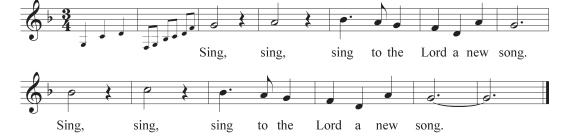
#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Malachi 3:19-20a

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 98

Proulx



SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

chant, Mode VII

ALLELUIA



**GOSPEL** Luke 21:5-19

**HOMILY** 

Father Michael G. Ryan (Saturday 5:30pm) Father David Brant (all other Masses)

DISMISSAL OF THE CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES (10:00)

chant, Litany of Saints

CREED (except Saturday 5:30pm)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Berthier



#### RITE OF BAPTISM (Saturday 5:30pm)

INTERCESSIONS AND LITANY OF SAINTS No. 827

BLESSING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

PROFESSION OF FAITH All join in the response, I do.

ACCLAMATION FOLLOWING EACH BAPTISM

Herbolsheimer

Hurd

Cantor: Alleluia. All: Alleluia!

SPRINKLING WITH BAPTISMAL WATER

ENTRANCE OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

**EXPLANATORY RITES** 

#### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

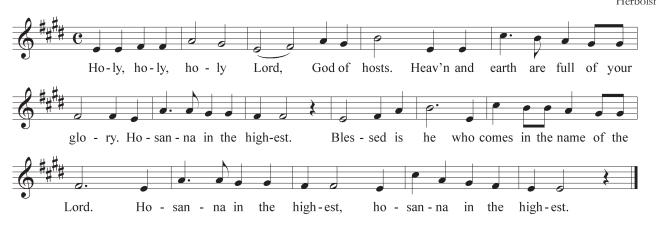
#### PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO DROP YOUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING PLEDGE CARD IN THE BASKET TODAY! If you forgot to bring your form, additional copies are available in the pews and chairs in front of you. With your help, we can close the gap in our budget. Thank you for all the ways you support this Cathedral parish.

(10:00) Hymn of St. Columba
Britten

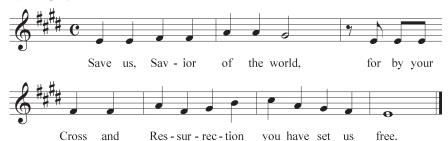
SANCTUS

St. James Mass for Peace
Herbolsheimer





Herbolsheimer



**AMEN** 

Herbolsheimer



LORD'S PRAYER No. 246



Herbolsheimer





(10:00)

"Kyrie" from Misa Scala Arentina

Valls

COMMUNION

Amen, I say to you, whatever you ask in your prayers, believe that you shall receive it, and it shall be granted unto you.

(10:00)

Beati quorum via Skempton

When you return to your seat after receiving Holy Communion, please kneel or be seated. Low-gluten hosts are distributed at the credence table, near the presider's chair.

HYMN OF PRAISE No. 560 in Worship hymnal

Now thank we all our God

NUN DANKET

**PROCESSION** (Saturday 5:30pm & Noon) Fugue in A Minor, BWV 543

Now thank we all our God

(8:00 & 10:00)

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#### ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

The Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain, Archbishop of Seattle

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

#### IN RESIDENCE

The Reverend David A. Brant, The Reverend Richard J. Ward

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#### **CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS** MASS

Sundays 8 - 10 - 12 & 5:30 pm 8:15 & 5:30 pm 8:15 & "Vigil" 5:30 pm Weekdays Saturdays LITURGY of the HOURS Weekdays at 12:10 pm

#### **VESPERS and BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT** Sundays at 4:00 pm.

BAPTISM Communal celebrations are held monthly. A preparation program for parents and godparents is required. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

**RECONCILIATION** Saturdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm. A communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated four times yearly in preparation for Christmas and Easter.

MARRIAGE A formal program of marriage preparation over a period of several months is required, however, registered parishioners may begin the scheduling process 14 months in advance.

ANOINTING of the SICK A communal celebration is held regularly. In other situations (anticipated surgery, emergency) please call the parish office.

#### "TAIZÉ" ECUMENICAL PRAYER, Fridays at 6:30 pm.

TOURS of the CATHEDRAL Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Groups of 4 or more may arrange a tour by calling Corinna Laughlin, 206-622-3559

CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE Open 11:00 am to 3:00 pm weekdays, after Masses on weekends. Call 206-382-4500 for information

#### ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL PARISH

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Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**ELCOME!** *If you are a visitor to the Cathedral,* we want you to know how welcome you are whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese. Thanks, in part, to the generosity of visitors like you, we are able to celebrate the Church's liturgy here in a fitting and beautiful way. We are also able to offer a wide range of services to needy people living in the central district of our city.

**FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR** are offered in memory of Irene Telmo, from her loving family on the first anniversary of her death. Flowers are also from the Saturday wedding of Regina Bourdage and Jack Tucci.

**CHORAL MUSIC SATURDAY 5:30** We welcome Ave Renaissance Choir, director Rebekah Gilmore.

**CATHEDRAL ESPRESSO** Please come by after the 10:00 and Noon Masses. All proceeds for the month of October benefit the Environmental Justice Committee.

YOUNG ADULTS "THIRD SUNDAY" On the third Sunday of every month join other young adults in the parish at the 5:30pm Mass. We will gather for Mass TODAY, November 17. After Mass join us for a reception in the Pastoral Outreach Center on the corner of 9th and Columbia. Hope to see you there!

MASS IN MEMORY OF THOSE KILLED IN TYPHOON **HAIYAN** are On Friday, November 22, at 12:10pm, Archbishop Sartain will offer a special Mass in memory of the thousands killed in the Philippines in the catastrophic typhoon. All are welcome. If you would like to make a donation to the relief effort, Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is already there, responding to the immediate emergency need for water, food, shelter and medical care, and to assist in the long-term recovery from the disaster. Make a donation at www.crs.org.

THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCES of St. James thank cathedral parishioners for their generous donations last month. During October we made 47 home visits to our low income neighbors. Your contributions allowed us to help 42 individuals and families pay their rent and stay safely in their homes. In addition, we prevented 5 utility shut-offs, provided food for 32 families, beds and furniture for 14 households, clothes for 3 people, and transportation assistance for 2 individuals. Our priority is preventing homelessness. This makes your contributions go a long way. Helping our neighbors pay their rent is far cheaper than picking up the pieces after they lose their homes. Please consider joining our ministry to the poor among us. Information, Rob Millar 206-954-8902 and Tammy Bendix 206-595-9158.

**PARISH REMEMBRANCE** *Throughout the year, because we* are the Cathedral Church, we remember in prayer at Mass and Vespers each of the parishes and missions of the Archdiocese of Seattle on a Sunday near their feast day. This week we remember in prayer the parishes of St. Frances Cabrini in Tacoma and St. Margaret in Seattle.

# YOUTH MINISTRY

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHTS** Every Sunday evening from 6:30 – 8:30pm in the Pastoral Outreach Center. Join us for interactive games and activities that will challenge you to apply your faith to everyday life. All are welcome!

MIGRANT FAMILY TOY/WINTER CLOTHES DRIVE

Given our ongoing commitment to the Migrant Project, the Youth Leadership Team is asking for donations of unwrapped toys for children ages 1-12 and winter clothing items (e.g. socks, gloves, hats, scarves, jackets, etc.) to help support the Skagit Valley migrant community during the holiday season. Our team will personally deliver these items to the migrant community in December. Items can be delivered to the parish office or brought to Youth Night.

> **QUESTIONS?** Joe Cotton, 206-264-2082 jcotton@stjames-cathedral.org www.stjames-cathedral.org/youthministry

**CATHOLICISM SERIES CONCLUDES** On Monday, November 18, our six-week series viewing and discussing Father Robert Barron's DVD presentation of the Catholic faith concludes with "Happy are we: the teachings of Jesus." All are welcome! We gather at 7:00pm in the Holy Names Room, Pastoral Outreach Center, and finish up no later than 8:30pm.

**CATHEDRAL ORGANIST JOSEPH ADAM presents a** concert on Friday, November 22 at 8:00pm of evocative AN INVITATION FROM ST. PAUL, ST. GEORGE, AND ST. organ works from early 20th-century France—musical impressions of Basque landscapes by Joseph Ermend-Bonnal, fiery compositions by Augustin Barié, and a selection of fantasy pieces by Louis Vierne, organist of Notre-Dame, Paris. The great organs of St. James Cathedral are the perfect vehicle to bring these pieces to life. Suggested donation \$15. *Information*, musicoffice@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4874.

YOUNG ADULTS FLAG FOOTBALL & TURKEY BOWL **TOURNAMENT** Come join us for fun and fellowship for "Ordinary Time" regular season games on the first and third Tuesdays in November, a Turkey-Bowl Championship tournament on Saturday, November 23, and an "Advent" winter season the first and third Tuesdays in December. Tuesday games will be pick up sandlot-style games: teams will be picked at the field. Tuesday games are from 6:00pm-8:00pm at Cal Anderson park. Feel free to arrive late or leave early if necessary. The Turkey Bowl will be held Saturday, November 23, 10:00am-1:00pm at Volunteer Park. Registration is required. *Information*, Caitlin Lanigan, 206-382-4235 or clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE IN A PSYCHIATRIC **HOSPITAL?** Would they appreciate a card or visit from a MHM volunteer? Would the family appreciate a meal? Please let us know. Information, Nancy Granger, RN 206-382-4269 or ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES** At this time, we are in need of volunteers to join the important ministry of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, especially at the Noon Mass. You must be a confirmed, active Catholic and a registered parishioner to participate in this ministry. A new training session begins in December. We also have openings for youth altar servers, especially at the Sunday 8:00am and 5:30pm Masses. Children 4th grade and older are welcome to participate. *Information*, Corinna Laughlin, claughlin@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-622-3559.

THE MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT DINNER SERIES,

sponsored by the St. James Family Ministry, continues on Saturday, November 23 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Pastoral Outreach Center. Marriage and Family Therapist, Tita Subercaseaux, M.S., will facilitate our discussion of Learning Safe Ways to Deal with Conflict. Babysitting will be provided in the Mother Cabrini Room. Married couples of any age are welcome, but RSVP's are required. Information or to RSVP, Margaret Lynch, mlynch@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4288.

**CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER** On Sunday, November 24 at 11:15am, come to the Gallagher Center to hear about an upcoming workshop beginning in December, for those who are caring for family members with chronic illness of any kind. Learn self- care strategies to maintain health and balance in your own life. Information, Nancy Granger, Parish Mental Health Nurse, 206-382-4269, ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org.

EDWARD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Open House Monday, November 25 and Tuesday, November 26, from 8:30-10:30am. See what a positive difference a Catholic education can make for your family. Our highly diverse school communities have traditions of engaging students with academic rigor steeped in strong Catholic values. Our enrichment programs include: sports programs, after school clubs as well as Extended Care programs for working families. Come meet our staff, visit our classrooms and see our students shine!

# Sacrificial Sunday Giving 2014 GIVE IN A SPIRIT OF JOY!

Please drop your commitment card in the offering basket today. If you prefer, you can make your pledge online.

Results through November 10 Total pledges received ......154 % participation (out of 2,173 households) .... 7% Participation goal ......100% Total goal.....\$2,100,000 

As you can see, we have a long way to go...!

Martin de Porres Shelter to provide overflow sleeping space for our neighbors without homes. Four nights a week from October through April, we provide a warm refuge in Cathedral Hall for 10-15 men. Nearly 100 cathedral parishioners serve as overnight hosts and breakfast cooks. We are currently in need of a few more overnight hosts to join us for the season. Please consider joining our Winter Shelter Team. There is a commitment of volunteering once a month. *Information*, Caitlin Lanigan 206-382-4235 or clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org.

LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE IN

**ADVENT?** St. James Young Adults annually host a sock drive during the Advent Season. We are forming our team to help with this effort now. We will need help collecting the socks following the Sunday masses during Advent, helping count the socks as we strive to collect 2013 this year, and then helping deliver them to our homeless neighbors. We will plan to have a team meeting before the advent season begins. *Information*, Caitlin Lanigan, clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4235.

REMEMBER! GALLAGHER CENTER MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCE ROOM IS OPEN EVERY SUNDAY 9-2 Feel free to drop in to browse through literature on mental health, chat with a Mental Health Ministry volunteer, learn about resources, and develop supportive relationships with others. Consider becoming a volunteer yourself! *Information*, Nancy Granger, RN

206-382-4269 or ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org.

**TOILETRY DONATIONS** We are collecting donations of toiletries for our Winter Shelter and for the Solanus Casey Center. Please bring in donations of cough drops, lip balm, razors, combs, individual tissue packets, and large cans of spray deodorant or small individual deodorant sticks. Please drop off donations at Coffee Hour after masses or at the parish office Monday through Friday 9:00am-5:00pm.

WINTER SHELTER St. James Cathedral partners with St. YOUNG ADULTS SERVICE OPPORTUNITY If you are in your twenties or thirties and you are looking for a service opportunity consider joining the St. James Young Adults at the YouthCare Orion Center on Saturday, November 30 from 10:00am to 1:30pm. We will be cooking and serving brunch to between 50 and 60 patrons of the Orion Center. YouthCare is a Seattle nonprofit that is known for serving the city's youth and young adult homeless population. Their services range from providing outreach and basic needs, to shelter and housing, to education and employment training and more. It is necessary to RSVP for this opportunity. *Information*, Luke Henkel, luke.henkel@gmail.com or Caitlin Lanigan clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org.

> SIMBANG GABI COMMISSIONING Saturday, December 14, 11:00am. Catholics from throughout the Archdiocese will gather in St. James Cathedral to begin the Advent novena of Masses in honor of Mary to prepare for the celebration of Christmas. Archbishop Sartain will preside at this Mass which includes the blessing and commissioning of Simbang Gabi coordinators from some 80 participating parishes in the archdiocese. This celebration points to Christ, Light of the World, symbolized by the *parols* (Christmas lanterns). All are invited and warmly welcome.

> **GRIEF AND LOSS SUPPORT GROUP** St. James Cathedral, Wednesdays 10:30- 12:00. Join pastoral counselor and psychotherapist, John Baumann, M.Div., LMHCA as he guides the group in journeying through the complexities of losing a loved one. Enter at the patio level of the Fireside Room in The Parish Outreach Center. A freewill donation of \$15 is suggested; however attendance is strongly encouraged regardless of ability to pay. *Information*, Nancy Granger, Parish Mental Health Nurse, 206-382-4269, ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org.

# A reminder about Sunday parking at the Cathedral

We know that parking in this area is at a premium and we do our best to make it available to you. In consideration of our neighbors, please note these important Do's and Don'ts!

#### **PLEASE DO** park:

- In the O'Dea High School lot.
- In the Cabrini Tower Garage on Marion Street across from O'Dea High School for the Saturday 5:30 pm Mass and all Sunday Masses. The Cathedral pays for parking (and for official traffic officers from the Seattle Police Department) during these times, and you are encouraged to take advantage of it.
- In the P-1 parking lot under the Chancery building at 9th and Marion.
- In the Cherry and Terry Parking lot, *only* in spaces 1-22.

#### Please **DO NOT** park:

- In any parking spot blocked with an orange cone.
- In the lot adjacent to the Envoy Apartments on 9th Avenue, directly across from the Cathedral.
- In the Blood Bank parking lot at the corner of Terry and Columbia.
- In the Frye Museum parking lots on Terry Avenue.
- In the parking places at the Pastoral Outreach Center.
- In the spaces on Terry Avenue reserved for loading and unloading of the parish vans.

# Give in a Spirit of Joy!













## **SUNDAY GIVING AT ST JAMES CATHEDRAL**

Please drop your pledge in the basket TODAY.
Your generous support makes it possible for St. James Cathedral...

- To celebrate the Church's liturgy with beauty and dignity;
- To reach out with love to the poor, the needy, and the elderly;
- To offer educational programs to children, teens, and adults;
- To pay our staff a just and living wage;
- To sustain our highly acclaimed musical and cultural programs;
- To maintain our magnificent cathedral and other parish buildings.

If you prefer, you can make your pledge online at www.stjames-cathedral.org.



# Typhoon Haiyan/Philippines

**Special Report 1: November 12, 2013 Adapted by Missions Office • Archdiocese of Seattle** 

### Catholic Relief Services Responds to Typhoon Haiyan

#### **Background**

Super Typhoon Haiyan hit the Philippines on November 8th striking Guiuan, Eastern Samar Island, with wind speeds of 195 mph, making it the strongest tropical cyclone on record to have made landfall anywhere in the world.

Thousands have died and an estimated 9.5 million people are suffering from destruction on par with that seen after the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami. The needs are immense – shelter, food, water, sanitation, and medicine.

"This is the worst storm ever to hit the Philippines," said Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Country Representative Joe Curry who noted that this country often suffers from extreme weather. Curry says that there is total devastation in a 30 mile-wide swath cut by Haiyan as it passed over three heavily populated islands - Leyte, Panay, Cebu.



A mother takes refuge with her children as Typhoon Haiyan hits Cebu city, central Philippines. Photo by Reuters/Zander Cases, courtesy Trust.org

#### **How Catholic Relief Services is Helping**

CRS staff began preparing a response as the storm neared and is working in coordination with Caritas Philippines, the Philippine government and other humanitarian organizations.

- CRS is immediately distributing thousands of temporary A-frame shelters. Each can house a family of five and 32,000 of these shelters are arriving in Cebu City, near the zone of destruction, in the next few days.
- Along with the shelters, CRS is handing out thousands of hygiene kits that include soap, towels and toothpaste as well as kits that includes plastic basins, cooking pots, utensils and other items that may have been lost in the storm.
- CRS has committed an initial \$20 million in immediate relief and recovery.

#### **Donations from People of the Archdiocese of Seattle**

These funds will be used to support the efforts of the US Catholic Church and CRS to respond to the immediate emergency need for water, food, shelter and medical care and assist in the long-term recovery from the disaster. Our donations will also be used to support the long-term need to rebuild the Church after widespread destruction.

#### How You Can Help

• **PRAY:** Please pray for the people affected by the floods.

God, who quiets great winds and stills rough seas We ask your protection for the people of the Philippines.

Comfort them in their fear.

Stay close to them in their danger.

And we ask the intercession of Your Blessed Mother That together with her and with all your holy saints We may stand in solidarity with our Filipino brothers and sisters
through their darkest hour
through their longest night.
Give us the courage to remain steadfast
To reach out to them in their need
To comfort them in their sorrow
To hold them as closely as You hold them
To see them through to morning. Amen.

- VISIT crs.org to donate online or call 877-Help-CRS (877-435-7277)
- MAIL donations to: CRS/Missions Office, 710 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, Seattle, WA 98104.
- STAY INFORMED: Current information can be found at crs.org