The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATORS (Noon)

The Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain, Archbishop of Seattle, Presider

PRELUDE

Prelude, Fugue and Variation

Franck

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



PENITENTIAL ACT



Missa de angelis Vatican VIII

GLORIA (Sunday Evening)

No. 341 in Worship hymnal

Missa de angelis Vatican VIII (all other Masses) chant, adapt. Lee



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,

and on earth peace to people of good will. dore we ayou, for great glory. your O God, almightther. Fa-Lord God, Lamb of God, Father, Son of the mer- cy on us: receive our prayer; have mer- cy on US. you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, in the glory of God the Father, men.

COLLECT

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 35:4-7a

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 146 Proulx



SECOND READING James 2:1-5

ALLELUIA



GOSPEL Mark 7:31-37

HOMILY

Archbishop J. Peter Sartain (Noon)
Father Michael G. Ryan (all other Masses)

DISMISSAL OF THE CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES (10:00)

Berthier

Mode VII



CREED

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, horn of the Father before all ages.

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,

[ALL BOW]

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

[ALL STAND UPRIGHT]

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



BLESSING FOR TEACHERS (Noon)

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

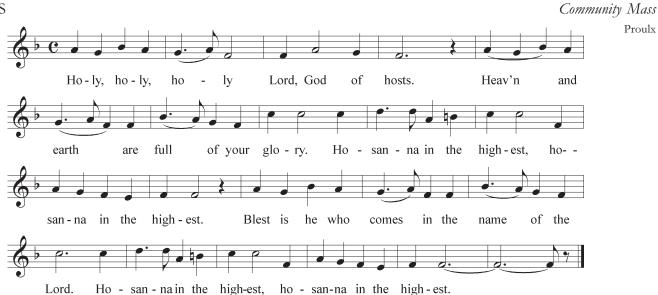
PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

Offertory

Concerto in G Major for Two Organs

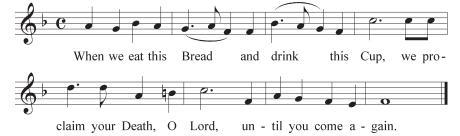
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SANCTUS





Proulx



AMEN



Proulx

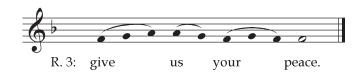
THE COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

Missa de angelis Vatican VIII





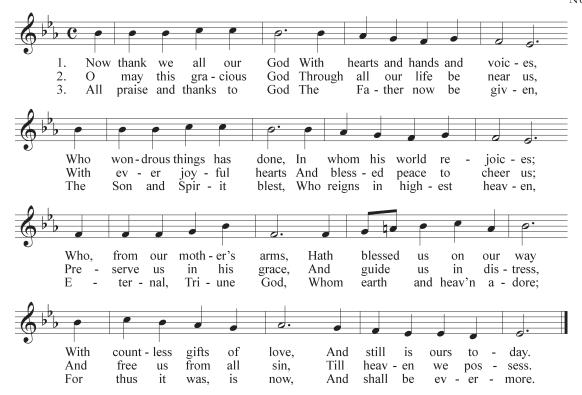
COMMUNION

Make vows unto the Lord your God, and accomplish chant, Mode II them, all you who gather around him to present offerings; to the awesome God who takes away the life of princes; he is greatly feared by all the kings of the earth.

Upon returning to your place after Holy Communion, please **kneel or be seated**. Low-gluten hosts are distributed at the credence table near the presider's chair.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Now thank we all our God NUN DANKET



THE CONCLUDING RITES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

PROCESSION

"Final" from Symphony No. 1
Vierne

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CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS

MASS

8 - 10 - 12 & 5:30 pm 8:15 & 5:30 pm 8:15 & "Vigil" 5:30 pm Sundays 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.

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.

FUNERALS for parishioners, please contact John Simpson, Pastoral Care Minister, 206-274-3173.

"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

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

COVER ART Jesus teaching the crowds. Detail of the Ceremonial Bronze Doors, Ulrich Henn, artist.

IS YOUR MARRIAGE ALL IT WAS MEANT TO BE? Are you struggling in your marriage? Do you feel a sense of disillusionment or sadness? Do you wish you could rekindle the spark you once had, but just don't know how? You are not alone. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro -vī) can help. Confidential information or registration for our upcoming program beginning September 18-20, 2015: 360-671-6479 or www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO BE PART OF THE CATHEDRAL KITCHEN TEAM! The Cathedral Kitchen needs a volunteer dishwasher for Mondays from 4:00-6:00pm. If you would like to join us and help out please contact Teddi Callahan at 206-264-2091 or email tcallahan@stjames-cathedral.org

HYGIENE ITEMS NEEDED FOR WINTER SHELTER Please consider donating hygiene items to give to our guests at the overflow Winter Shelter, especially spray deodorant, toothbrushes, tooth paste and wash cloths. You may drop items off at Coffee Hour on Sunday mornings or at the front desk during the week.

JUSTFAITH TO BEGIN THIS OCTOBER Encounter the spirit of Jesus in our midst, especially in the lives of people on the margins! JustFaith groups meet weekly for 24 sessions to deepen their faith and explore social implications of the Gospel. Meetings will be on Tuesdays, 6:30pm-9pm starting in October, and there will be a "Come & See" evening on Tuesday, September 22 in the Parish Outreach Center. Information, Tom Frasene, 206-382-4235.

THE NEXT SENIOR TRIP will be Wednesday, September 16. Join us as we visit the Future of Flight exhibit, and take the tour of the Boeing plant in Everett. We will look at cutting-edge airline production and the future of aviation. The cost is \$20. Also, the tour may require a one-third-mile walk and 21 steep stairs. Space is limited and priority will be given to registered parishioners! Information, or to reserve your place, leave a message with John Simpson, Pastoral Care Minister, at 206-274-3173 or jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org.

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 Blessed Teresa of Calcutta in Woodinville, St. Rose of Viterbo in Longview, and Our Lady of Mt. Virgin in Seattle.

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH NIGHTS WILL RESUME on Sunday, October 4th. Youth Nights occur on Sunday evenings from 6:30 – 8:30 PM in the Pastoral Outreach Center. Open to 8th-12th grade students. Please join us for prayer, catechesis, and lively activities designed to integrate faith into everyday life. All are welcome!

PEQUEÑO TOUR Our 25 youth and adult missioners have safely returned from the NPH home in Nicaragua. We look forward to sharing our experience with the broader parish community. Furthermore, we are excited to announce that a small group of NPH students, known as pequeños, will be coming to the cathedral in October. After visiting their home in Nicaragua, we will now welcome them to our home in Seattle. And YOU can be a part of it! Please stay tuned for details regarding a series of events featuring young dancers and musicians from NPH Nicaragua.

QUESTIONS? Joe Cotton, 206-264-2082, jcotton@stjames-cathedral.org

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN—SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS Are you a new volunteer at St. James? Have you been asked to attend a Safe Environment class before beginning your work in a ministry with young children or vulnerable adults? Safe Environment Training will be offered Sunday, September 13 from 1:30 to 4:30pm on the 2nd floor of Cathedral Place, 803 Terry Avenue. You must register online for this class at https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/; go to Seattle Archdiocese, and look for the September 13 class. *Information*, Theresa Van de Ven at 206-219-5822 or tvandeven@stjames-cathedral or Suzanne Lee at 206-979-6308 or slee@stjames-cathedral.org

REGISTER NOW FOR CABRINI MINISTRY TRAINING! If you feel a deeper call to share your gift of compassion with others, the pastoral care training offered by Cabrini Ministry Training may be perfect for you! We offer a 20 class program that meets weekly on Monday nights at St. James Cathedral, beginning October 19. Topics include listening skills, understanding emotions, spiritual development, and theology. *Information*, www.cabriniministry.org, info@cabriniministry.org, or 206-760-0583 extension 3.

LAST MINUTE AUCTION IDEAS It's not too late to donate to the silent auction at the Hunthausen Golf Tournament! Need inspiration? How about a car wash basket, a gardening basket, items for a tailgate basket, or a bottle of your favorite wine for our wine roulette? Items should be received by 9/8/2015 to be included in our program. *Information*, Margaret Lynch mlynch@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4288.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

For parishioners in their 20s and 30s

GROUP OUTING TO ST. MARY'S FOODBANK Join us on Saturday, September 12, 10am-2pm, as we help sort and give out food at St. Mary's Foodbank! Meet us there (611 20th Ave. South) for some fellowship and good works. RSVP to Tom.

FLAG FOOTBALL! This fall, the Archdiocese of Seattle is setting up a flag football league for young adults in the greater Seattle area. Games are on Sundays (but never conflicting with Seahawks games) starting on October 4, and we'll play at Lakeside School in north Seattle. The regular season ends on November 15, and the Turkey Bowl will be on Saturday, November 21. There will be a fee of \$30 per person. Contact Tom if you are interested.

WANT TO LEARN MORE?

Tom Frasene, tfrasene@stjames-cathedral.org Facebook.com/StJamesYoungAdultMinistry

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY CELEBRATES the September 9 Feast Day of Blessed Frederic Ozanam (1813-53). Frederic was a university student in 1830s Paris when he and a few friends started what became the Society of St Vincent de Paul in response to a challenge to "do" something about poverty, rather than merely talking about it. Like Vincentians today, they went in pairs to visit the poor in their homes, offering material aid and spiritual comfort. Although Frederic became a lawyer, he devoted his brief life to helping others, teaching us that the poor are "the sacred images of that God who we do not see." That concept still resonates with SVdP members, who seek spiritual growth through service to our neighbors in need. *Information*, Barb Schmidt, 206-938-8696.

SHARE THE LOVE OF YOUR FAITH AND THE CHURCH WITH THE CHILDREN OF ST JAMES Volunteer as a lead catechist for Kindergarten or an assistant catechist in any grade. Training, resources and support provided. Classes begin September 13, 2015. *Information*, Brenda Bellamy bbellamy@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-274-3108.

REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION for children and youth will continue on Sunday, September 13. September 13 is also the first day of class. *Information*, Brenda Bellamy bbellamy@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-274-3108.

SEND YOUR CHILD TO CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Representatives from area Catholic schools will be at St James on Sunday, September 20 from 10:45am – 12:15pm. Come learn what Catholic elementary and high schools have to offer. It's not too early to think about 2016-2017. Generous financial aid is often available. *Information*, Theresa Van de Ven tvandeven@stjames-cathedral.org, 206-219-5822.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? If you are an adult who has never been baptized, an adult who has been baptized in another Christian tradition or a Catholic who has been baptized, but not received First Eucharist or Confirmation, you are invited to participate in the RCIA, a process of initiation into the Catholic Church. You can learn more by going to www.stjames-cathedral.org/RCIA. *Information*, Kathleen McCabe, kmccabe@stjames-cathedral.org.

BAPTISM OF INFANTS & YOUNG CHILDREN (under the age of 7) is celebrated monthly at one of the weekend Masses. To prepare for this most important sacrament, parents and godparents participate in a series of classes to update their understanding of baptism, to reflect on their responsibility to guide their children in the practice of the faith, and to learn about the many ways our parish supports families. Please allow at least two months for preparation. *Information*, Suzanne Lee, slee@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-654-4640.

THINKING OF BEING MARRIED AT ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL? Parishioners are able to schedule a wedding at St. James Cathedral 14 months in advance; non- parishioners are able to schedule 12 months in advance. We do require at least six months preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony. *Information*, Margaret Lynch, mlynch@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4288

"YES TO THE DRESS" Do you have a wedding dress that you love but don't know what to do with it? You can donate it! St. Vincent de Paul has bridal boutiques located in both their Renton and Kent stores. Sales from St. Vincent de Paul thrift stores support social service programs including home visits, help line, food bank case management and Centro Rendu and Operation Veteran Renewal. *Information*, Margaret Lynch, 206-382-4288.

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP 4th Tuesday, 1:00–2:30pm, Pastoral Outreach Center (Cabrini Room). Next meeting: September 22.

GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP Tuesdays, 1:30 –2:45pm, Pastoral Outreach Center.

FREE CREATIVE ARTS WORKSHOP 2nd and 4th Thursday, Gallagher Center, 12 Noon – 2 pm. Create various types of art in this supportive atmosphere. No experience necessary! Next workshop: September 10.

MINDFUL ALTERNATIVES FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP For parents of adult children with mental illness who are concerned about their loved one's issues with housing, social engagement, employment and more. *Information*, Terry Proctor, mindfulalternative@gmail.com

SOMETIMES SITUATIONS IN LIFE feel like more than we can bear. Know that you are not alone. Parish Mental Health Nurse and volunteers would like to reach out and lend support to parishioners who are grieving, lonely, ill, or experiencing stress within their lives. Contact Nancy to learn more.

Information, Nancy Granger, Parish Mental Health Nurse, 206-382-4269, or ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org

A guide to 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. Did you know that there is also parking underground at Cabrini Garage? Dozens of spots sit empty every weekend. Try it if you arrive late.
- 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 Cherry and Terry Parking lot, spaces 23-40 (the south side of the L shaped lot). *These are clearly marked with signs; we do appreciate your not parking there.*
- 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, 907 Columbia Street.
- In the spaces on Terry Avenue reserved for loading and unloading of the parish vans.

St. James Cathedral

WINTER SHELTER



"Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or see you thirsty and give you drink?
When did we welcome you or clothe you?" The King will answer them: "I assure you,
as often as you did it for the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it for me." Matthew 25:37-40

The 2015 One Night Count found 3,772 people sleeping outdoors on the streets of King County.

St. James Cathedral partners with St. Martin de Porres Shelter
to provide overflow sleeping space during the cold winter months.

St. Martin de Porres, a program of Catholic Community Services, has room for 212 homeless men.
During the winter, St. Martin's is always full and has to turn away many people.
From October through April, Friday night through Monday night,
St. James provides a warm and safe place to sleep in Cathedral Hall for 10-14 men.
Nearly 100 parishioners are needed to volunteer at the Winter Shelter, now in its 24th year.

Please consider joining our shelter team as an overnight host or a breakfast cook.

Comments from our volunteers:

"I feel that working at the Winter Shelter helps me put my faith in action."

"I truly felt a connection with this ministry...I left Monday morning with an energized heart."

TRAINING

Sunday, September 13, 2015 3:30-5:00 PM in CATHEDRAL HALL New and Returning Volunteers Encouraged to Come!

MINISTRIES FAIR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2015 after the morning Masses in Cathedral Hall



God has created me
to do Him some definite service.
He has committed some work to me
which He has not committed to another.
I have my mission.
I am a link in a chain,
a bond of connection between persons.
He has not created me for naught.
I shall do good; I shall do His work.
—Blessed John Henry Newman

On Sunday, September 20, we have our annual MINISTRIES FAIR after each of our morning Masses. This is our chance to explore the many different opportunities for service at St. James Cathedral. It's also a time to celebrate the rich and varied ministries of our Cathedral parish. About 1,000 (!!) people volunteer in dozens of different ministries at St. James each year. Come celebrate the ministries that make St. James the great parish it is and find out how you can share your own unique gifts with the community!

Information, Maria Laughlin, Director of Stewardship and Development, 206-382-4284 or e-mail mlaughlin@stjames-cathedral.org.



Laudato Si

Exploring the Encyclical

Laudato Si: On Care for our Common Home, is an appeal from Pope Francis addressed to "every person living on this planet" for an inclusive dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. Pope Francis calls the Church and the world to acknowledge the urgency of our environmental challenges and to join him in embarking on a new path. This encyclical is written with both hope and resolve, looking to our common future with candor and humility.

St. James Cathedral offers two opportunities to learn what the encyclical says, to engage with its vision, and to respond to the challenge it presents:

PANEL DISCUSSION

Monday, September 21, 7:00–8:30 pm, Cathedral Hall, 804 Ninth Avenue, Seattle (enter on Columbia Street)

An overview of the encyclical, with an exploration of its spiritual and theological roots, a brief review of the science of climate change, and some implications for action and advocacy. **Panelists**:

- Catherine Punsalan-Manlimos, Director of Seattle
 University's Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture and
 Associate Professor in the Theology and Religious Studies
 Department.
- **Wes Lauer**, Associate Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Seattle University.
- **Jessie Dye**, Program and Outreach Director, Earth Ministry/ Interfaith Power and Light.

Moderator: **Patty Bowman**, Director of Outreach and Advocacy, St. James Cathedral.

SMALL GROUP STUDY

Mondays, October 5—October 26,

7:00-8:30 pm, Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia Street

A four-week series to read and study the encyclical *Laudato Si* in depth, with small group discussion. Copies of the encyclical are available in the Cathedral Bookstore.

All are welcome to any or all of the above events. RSVP is requested but not required. *Information, or to RSVP,* Patty Bowman, pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org. 206-382-4515.

www.stjames-cathedral.org



YOUTH NIGHTS

A weekly gathering of Cathedral middle & high school youth (Grades 8-12)

Sunday Evenings 6:30—8:30 PM

Pastoral Outreach Center

For more information, please contact:

Joe Cotton, Cathedral Youth Minister (206) 264-2082 / jcotton@stjames-cathedral.org

Join your peers for a weekly gathering filled with prayer, catechesis, and lively activities designed to integrate faith into everyday life. (Oct.-June)

St. James Youth Ministry

www.stjames-cathedral.org/youthministry * www.facebook.com/cathedral.youth * @SaintJamesYouth

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD) COLLECTION

WORKING ON THE MARGINS

SEPTEMBER 13, 2015



Prepares volunteers Kathy (2nd from left) and Marie (2nd from right) join Prepares Area Coordinators Carol Ryan and Erin Maguire with sample Prepares Bags. These bags, filled with needed supplies for children such as diapers, formula, toys and books, will be distributed directly to families in need within the Assumption and St Peter Parish community.

"Our faith in Christ,
who became poor,
and was always close
to the poor and the
outcast, is the basis of
our concern for the
integral development
of society's most
neglected members."

— Pope Francis

(Joy of the Gospel, 186)

REPARES

Pregnancy & Parenting Support

Could you help a young mother welcome her infant into the world? When Erin Maguire, Area Coordinator for a new ministry in the Seattle Archdiocese called Prepares (Pregnancy and Parenting Support, "Prepares" for short), asked members of five local churches this question last year, five parishioners instantly responded: "We are eager to serve."

Describing this collective response as "a beautiful thing," Erin envisions the day when an increasing number of Catholics throughout Washington State will not only learn about, but also participate in, the crucial mission and outreach of Prepares as it grows and develops alongside participating families.

First envisioned and catalyzed by the Washington State Bishops as a life program aligned with Catholic social teachings and best practices, Prepares is dedicated to "walking the journey with pregnant and parenting women and families" through stable, safe, and nonjudgmental care and companionship that can continue through their child's fifth birthday, according to Maguire.

Once fully developed, the program will not only connect parents to thoughtfully matched long-term mentors, but could also provide "holistic wrap-around services" such as pregnancy and parenting classes, housing referral services, basic and urgent supplies, and professional and leadership trainings, among other resources. The need is great, and Maguire receives several phone calls each week from women and men facing fear and uncertainty as they prepare for the birth

of a child without adequate social or financial resources and support.

Representing a united effort of the Catholic community in Washington State, Prepares has so far relied on word of mouth and a new website to connect with families; connections to St. Vincent de Paul, Knights of Columbus, and other organizations also help share the group's mission with others.

The organization also depends on the compassion and commitment of engaged volunteers who fulfill various roles with Prepares—ranging from leading educational classes or organizing diaper or "baby closet" drives in their own parishes to meeting with new mothers or fathers as mentors and friends. Encouraged to share their own experiences and insights with the family they are paired with, volunteers receive personalized guidance and support through an orientation and ongoing connection with a Prepares Coordinator.

Prepares is made possible in part through the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) which funds justice-seeking programs in communities across the United States. By giving a hand up, rather than a handout, CCHD and its generous supporters help people living in poverty join together to identify problems, make decisions, and find ways to improve their lives, neighborhoods, and world.

"Within our work with CCHD, it's about leadership development and systematic change," Maguire explained. Connecting life to justice, she estimates that Prepares has connected with 30 parishes in the Archdiocese so far.

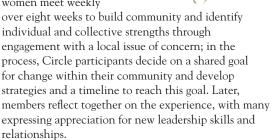
Your support of the CCHD Collection on September 13th helps to end poverty through building solidarity in our communities. Working together, we can reach out to our brothers and sisters living on the periphery of society. Please visit www.povertyusa.org to read more details about CCHD's efforts to spread Christ's love by helping to break the cycle of poverty in your community and across the country.

WOMEN'S JUSTICE CIRCLES

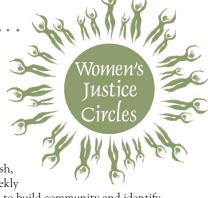
Like ripples radiating outward from stones tossed into water, Women's Justice Circles have made their presence felt within hundreds of communities across Washington State: in Burien, where children now cross a busy road with the help of a crossing guard, new striping, and warning signs for motorists; in South Park, where women partnered with healthcare providers and King County to create additional Latino healthcare enrollment opportunities; and in Seattle, where women successfully advocated with legislators to maintain funding for affordable housing.

Led by women who are low-income and/or immigrants, Circle participants meet in partnership with economically stable women to combat root causes of poverty and injustice in their neighborhoods.

Conducted in English or Spanish, women meet weekly



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Developed and sponsored by the Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center (IPJC), a collaborative ministry of twenty Catholic religious communities, it's estimated that thousands of women associated with 200 Circles throughout Washington state, as well as western Oregon, have participated in this grassroots community organizing empowerment process since the first Circle was launched in 2001.

Some Justice Circle achievements have also led to more recent Circles building on the efforts of previous Circles in the same location or other areas, as happened when mothers in Bothell who are also parishioners at St. Brendan Parish developed an anti-bullying forum and an educational brochure in Spanish that was later adopted by the Northshore School District and thereby inspired developing Circles in Sunnyside and Cashmere to focus efforts on similar topics.

This past summer, a Circle based in the town of Connell furthered the spirited efforts of women affiliated with an earlier Circle in the same town who, through development of intergenerational workshops and cultural celebrations at their local parish, helped strengthen connections and a sense of belonging among Latino families in Connell and surrounding communities.

Elida Fernandez, Justice Circle Leader of the most recent Connell Circle, reflects that her time spent with other women in the Circle and the wonders they accomplished within a few months "is as close to a miracle as I've ever seen" and taught her "at the deepest level" the power of community that's achieved through "the personal uplifting we do for each other."

Women's Justice Circles in the United States receive generous diocesan and national funding from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), a domestic anti-poverty program founded in 1970 by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) that has impacted the lives of 46.2 million people living on the margins of society. Realizing that established charitable services alone were not creating the changes people needed to stay out of poverty, CCHD works to address unjust policies structures through its strong support of grassroots organizations that promote education, community-building, and economic development.

The transformational work of Women's Justice Circles was also honored in 2012 with the Sr. Margaret Cafferty Development of People Award which recognizes an individual or group that has demonstrated profound commitment and



The Centro Rendu Women's Justice Circle in Kent holds a silent march and a panel discussion on the prevention of bullying. Centro Rendu, a program of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of SeattlelKing County, is also a CCHD-grant recipient.

investment in the empowerment of people and the elimination of poverty.

Sponsored by USCCB and CCHD, the award was accepted by Justice Circle leaders in Washington D.C. on behalf of all those women who have, through their own creative and courageous efforts to promote positive change in their communities, contributed to the shaping of a better world.

ORIGINS

CCHD was founded in 1970 by the Catholic bishops of the United States as their domestic anti-poverty program. They realized that established charitable services alone were not creating the changes people needed to stay out of poverty. With a goal of creating sustainable systems, the bishops worked to address the policies and structures that perpetuate poverty. CCHD seeks to eliminate poverty by building solidarity in communities.

IMPACT

CCHD brings Catholic social teaching to life by funding community and economic development programs across the United States that help poor and marginalized people join together to make decisions, seek solutions to local problems, and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods. Economic development initiatives help create new businesses and jobs. CCHD also provides educational opportunities for Catholics to learn about poverty, stand in solidarity with those affected by it, and reflect on their own responsibility before the great need of others.

INVOLVEMENT

You can make a difference:

- **1. DONATE.** Your generous support, in the parish collection and throughout the year, is vital to CCHD's anti-poverty mission and creates real change.
- **2. LEARN.** CCHD offers awareness programs to learn more about poverty, those affected by it, and our responsibilities as members of the Church. Visit www.povertyusa.org.
- **3. PRAY** for those who give and receive CCHD support, in thanksgiving for generous donors, and to ask support for those struggling.

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