

Go out to all the world, and tell the good news! Icon of Christ the Teacher. Joan Brand-Landkamer, Cathedral iconographer

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 20, 2013

### The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

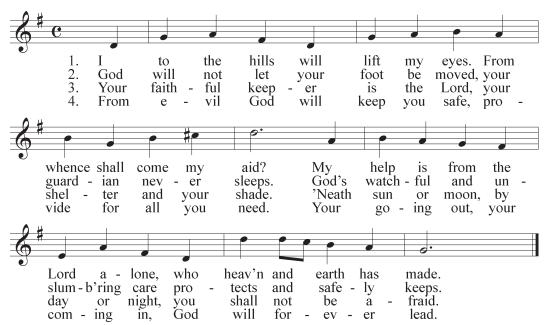
PRELUDE Lamento

Barié

### THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE

I to the hills will lift my eyes ST. MAGNUS



PENITENTIAL ACT

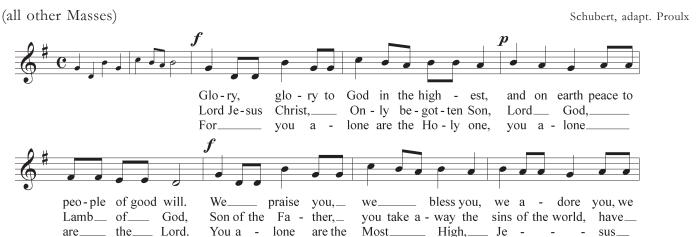
Missa de angelis

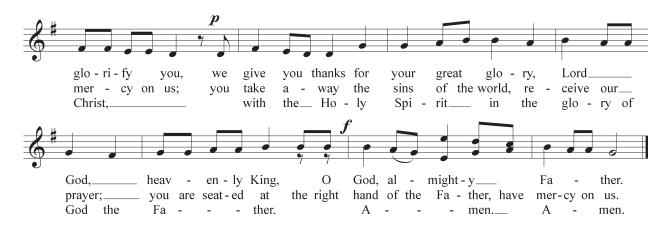
Vatican VIII



DISMISSAL TO THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (Noon)

GLORIA (Sunday Evening) Missa de angelis, No. 341 in Worship hymnal





COLLECT

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Exodus 17:8-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 121 Proulx

Vulpius



Our help is from the Lord who made heav-en and earth.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

**ALLELUIA** 

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

GOSPEL Matthew 28:16-20

**HOMILY** 

### Father Thomas Marti, MM

DISMISSAL OF THE CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES (10:00am)

Litany of Saints

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, 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 doubt and was buried.

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.



### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

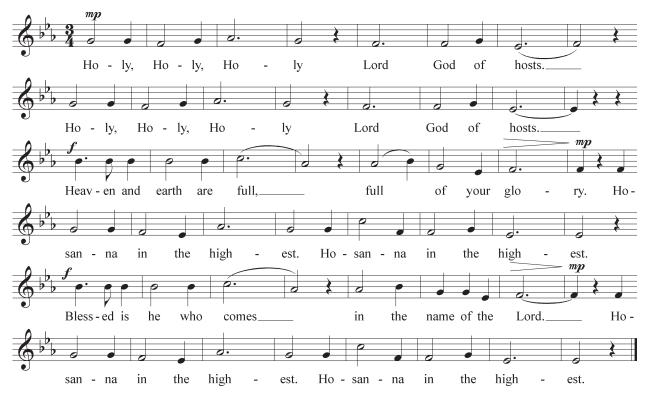
PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS Offertory (10:00)

Lift thine eyes (Psalm 122)

Mendelssohn

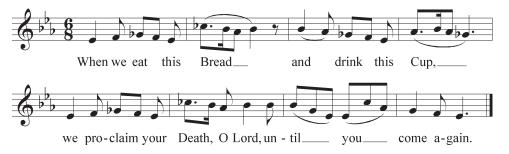
**SANCTUS** 

German Mass Schubert, adapt. Proulx



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Schubert, adapt. St. James Cathedral



AMEN Schubert, adapt. Proulx



### THE COMMUNION RITE

### LORD'S PRAYER

**AGNUS DEI** 

Schubert, adapt. Proulx





**COMMUNION** 

O Lord, our Lord, how awesome is your name in all the earth! chant

(10:00)

Jesu, the very thought of thee

Proulx

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

Eternal spirit of the living Christ
EVENTIDE



### THE CONCLUDING RITES

ANTIPHON IN HONOR OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (10:00, Sunday Evening)

(10:00)

Ave Maria
Hovhaness

PROCESSION

Marche Barié

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### ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

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The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

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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

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**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 thanksgiving for answered prayers from Steve and Becky Masmela.

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

**BECOMING CATHOLIC** Are you, a family member, or a friend interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? A new inquiry session—a chance to ask questions about the Church with no strings attached gets underway this month. For more information, please contact Patty Bowman, 206-382-4515, or e-mail RCIA@stjames-cathedral.org. Please feel free to take one of the cards in the pews and chairs in front of you and share it with a friend or family member!

SOLEMN MASS OF ALL SOULS WITH MOZART'S **REQUIEM** On Friday, November 1, at 7:30 pm, St. James celebrates the Solemn Feast of All Souls' with chant and Mozart's sublime Requiem. Father Ryan, presider and homilist. All are welcome to join our Cathedral Choir, Soloists, and Chamber Orchestra in this extraordinary tradition of St. James. If you would like to remember someone in the printed program. please put your donation in an envelope marked "All Souls' Patron" and drop it in the offering basket today. Be sure to include the name of the person you wish to remember as well as your name and address. Information, Music Office, 206-382-4874.

THE WAY OF COMPANIONSHIP How can we reach out with love to those who are hurting? How can I see the face of Christ in the face of a person in need? There are many times when we are called up to listen to another person, to hear their story and to offer some kind of help or support. Kae Eaton from the Mental Health Chaplaincy will present a training in the practice of companionship, a way of being gently present to another and sharing a little of the journey together. This training is strongly recommended for everyone involved in ministry to those on the margins. Saturday, November 2, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Cathedral Hall. Information and to register, Patty Bowman, 206-382-4515.

**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. Luke in Shoreline, St. Jude in Redmond, and North American Martyrs in Seattle.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NIGHTS (GRADES 9-12) — Please join us every Sunday evening from 6:30pm-8:30pm in the Pastoral Outreach Center for an interactive gathering of high school youth. Youth Nights offer games, prayer experiences, and activities designed to help you apply your faith to everyday life. All are welcome! *Information*, Joe Cotton, jcotton@stjames-cathedral.org.

**FUN BEYOND LIMITS CARNIVAL** Saturday, October 26, 1:00-4:00pm. This is a carnival for children with developmental disabilities and families with special needs, hosted by the archdiocese. St. James Youth Ministry will be sending a team of youth to help facilitate the event for these amazing members of our Church. *Information*, Joe Cotton, jcotton@stjamescathedral.org.

catholic youth convention – November 2 & 3 at Bellevue College. Mark your calendar for this extraordinary two-day gathering of nearly 2,000 Catholic youth from around the region. Youth Convention is packed with live music, engaging speakers, interactive workshops, moving prayer experiences, and a powerful Mass with Archbishop Sartain. *Information*, Joe Cotton, jcotton@stjamescathedral.org.

www.stjames-cathedral.org/youthministry

**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, razors, large spray deodorant**. Drop them off at Coffee Hour after masses or at the parish office M-F 9am-5pm.

**NEED CARE FOR AN AGING LOVED ONE?** Then a panel discussion hosted by the Pastoral Care Department may be ideal for you. Panelists from leading agencies will discuss the maze of issues facing the family of an elderly loved one who may have increasing care requirements. Find the guidance you need Tuesday October 22 at 7:00 PM in Cathedral Place Room 1 E/W (entrance on Terry Ave.). *Information:* John Simpson, Pastoral Care Minister, at 206-274-3173 or jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org.

**MEMORIAL FOR FIREFIGHTERS** On Tuesday, October 29 at 7:00pm, St. James Cathedral is privileged to host a memorial for firefighters killed in the line of duty. The service is part of an international gathering of Fire Department Chaplains which will take place in Seattle later this month. The service will include the reading of names and the traditional honor ceremony for those who have given their lives to keep us safe. All are welcome.

OUR CATHEDRAL YOUTH MUSIC PROGRAM has two training choirs (St. Gregory and St. Cecilia), our advanced children's choir, the Schola Cantorum, Jubilate!, our young women's choir, and St. Edward's Vocal Ensemble for young men. For information regarding schedule, auditions, tuition, scholarships and performances visit the Cathedral Music website or contact the program director, Stacey Sunde, ssunde@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-941-9450.

CATHEDRAL KITCHEN GARDEN Come help build our garden! We are currently doing soil preparation work, creating layers of compostable material that will become fresh new soil in time for planting next spring. Stop by the corner of Cherry Street and Terry Avenue to check out our progress. Work Parties: this Sunday October 20, 1:30 to 3:30 pm, and next Saturday, October 26, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Bring your own gloves. We're also looking for appropriate compostable material. Check out our wish list at: www.stjames-cathedral.org/outreach/kitchengarden. *To volunteer*: contact garden@stjames-cathedral.org

GRIEF AND LOSS GROUP—WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30 AM Join pastoral counselor and therapist John Baumann, M.Div., LMHCA as he guides the group in understanding and journeying through the complexities of losing a loved one. Enter at the patio level of the Pastoral Outreach Center to the Fireside Room. A freewill donation of \$15 is suggested; however, attendance is strongly encouraged regardless of ability to pay. *Information*, Nancy Granger, 206-382-4269 or ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org.

BOOK PRESENTATION: SHAKING SHAME FROM MENTAL ILLNESS Wednesday, October 23, 7:00pm, Pastoral Outreach Center, Holy Names Room. With self-disclosure and sensitivity, author Evonne Agnello presents her personal struggles of dealing with family members' suicides. Her memoir sends a message of hope to anyone who has suffered from depression or trauma. Information, Nancy Granger, 206-382-4269 or ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org.

CREATIVE ARTS WORKSHOP October 27, Fireside Room, Parish Outreach Center, 1:30pm. Join therapist Peter Jabin, M.Div., LMHCA and Darcy Marlow, M. Ed., MHCA for a free, co-facilitated workshop designed to encourage self-exploration. Through discussion, meditation and creative expression, Peter and Marcy will provide a safe and thought provoking forum for self-discovery, engaging the power of spirituality and creativity. *Information*, Nancy Granger, 206-382-4269 or ngranger@stjames-cathedral.org.

### SACRED STEPS

Sacramental Celebrations at St. James

**REST IN PEACE** Please pray for the repose of the soul of *Brother John Austin Pettit, CFC*.

### ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

Dear Friends,

With one more Sunday (this one) to go before returning to my familiar, and favored, haunts, I thought I'd try my hand at some long distance communicating. If it's a little rough, it's mostly because I'm using a friend's laptop and it's a good bit more hi-tech than I am!

I had some wonderful days in the Holy Land with my sister, Janet, and her husband, George. It was their first visit and I got to play tour guide (with some far more competent local assistance). We spent nearly a week in Jerusalem visiting the Old City and all its wonders, including the Temple Mount, the Via Dolorosa, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the Wailing Wall, Mount Zion, the Pool of Bethesda, and so many other wonderful places. Bethlehem was on the itinerary, too, of course, as well as Bethany, the Mount of Olives, Jericho, the Jordan River, the Dead Sea, Qumran (where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered), and Masada. Two memories stand out from those days: it happened to be the Jewish feast of Succoth or Tabernacles and I found it so very fascinating to see thousands of Orthodox Jewish families dressed in the Sabbath best celebrating this joyous feast with its rich traditions. The other memory is of celebrating Mass at the Church of Dominus Flevit which overlooks Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives and remembers the place Jesus wept over the Holy City not long before his passion and death.

From Jerusalem, we went north to Galilee. To beautiful Tiberias along the shores of the Sea of Galilee. From Tiberias we visited Nazareth, Capernaum, Cana, the Mount of the Beatitudes, and Mount Tabor, traditional site of the Transfiguration. An outdoor Mass on the Mount of Beatitudes overlooking the Sea of Galilee (reading "Blessed are the peacemakers" almost in sight of war-torn Syria), and Mass at the Church of the Transfiguration high atop Mount Tabor, are standout memories that will always remain with me. Needless to say, you were all very much in my thoughts and prayers.

After leaving Israel, I spent a wonderful week in Rome visiting friends and enjoying old haunts exactly 50 years after I arrived there as a student. I also had a wonderful opportunity to see Pope Francis (along with about 75,000 others – being pastor of St. James carries no privileges there, nor should it!). Happily, you don't need to get very close to Pope Francis to 'get' who he is. He seems close even at a distance, and comes across as the vibrant, warm, approachable 'people person' that he is. It was such a joy to see him and to hear his simple, down-to-earth yet powerful message.

Another joy was celebrating Mass at the altar/tomb of Blessed, soon-to-be-Saint, John XXIII – something I have wanted to do for a long time. It happened to be October 12, just one day after his feast, so that was an added joy. My 'congregation' for the Mass was a lovely group of people from the Philippines. They made me feel right at home (!) and seemed happy for Mass in English rather than in Italian or Latin! And you will be amused to know that the Missal I was given for celebrating the Mass was the old one we had to stop using two years ago. You can probably imagine how happy I was about that. Only in Rome, I thought!

As we all know, there are no unmixed blessings in life. Along the way, I managed to pick up a really nasty upper respiratory virus that has laid me low for nearly a week (and if you know me at all, you know it takes quite a bit for that to happen!). I'm beginning to feel more like myself again and am more than ready to be home. This week. It will be great to see you!

# CATHOLICISM

### A SIX-WEEK SERIES EXPLORING WHAT WE BELIEVE



### Mondays beginning October 14

Holy Names Room, Pastoral Outreach Center

You are invited to discover Father Robert Barron's extraordinary multimedia presentation of the faith. Traveling to more than fifty locations in sixteen different countries, Barron brings our Catholic tradition and teaching to life. We'll watch one episode each week and have time for discussion. Come for one episode or for all six!

Monday, October 14, 7:00pm

Amazed and Afraid: The Revelation of God Become Man

Monday, October 21, 7:00pm

The Ineffable Mystery of God:

That Than Which Nothing Greater Can Be Thought

Monday, October 28, 7:00pm

A Vast Company of Witnesses: The Communion of Saints

Monday, November 4, 7:00pm

The Fire of His Love: Prayer and the Life of the Spirit

Monday, November 11, 7:00pm

Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven: The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist

Monday, November 18, 7:00pm

Happy are we: the teachings of Jesus

FATHER ROBERT BARRON is the creator and host of *CATHOLICISM*, a groundbreaking, award winning documentary series about the Catholic Faith. The series has aired across the country on PBS, and has been seen and broadcast in parishes, universities, schools and media outlets throughout the world.



*Information*, Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284 or mlaughlin@stjames-cathedral.org



### St. James

# Immigrant Assistance STATISTICS 2012-13

Christopher J. Koehler Director

August 2013

### Number of immigrants assisted 422

### Number of volunteers 80

Previous year 481

Previous year 93



## 36 people became U.S citizens

46 more have filed and are waiting for their interview

### Languages:

Amahric, Arabic, Bhutanese, Cantonese, Chen, Chinese, Creole, Dutch, Farsi, Fijian, French, Fulany, Georgian, Ilocano, Japanese, Karen, Kikuyu, Kiswahili, Korean, Laotian, Mandarin, Nepali, Oromo, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Swahili, Tagalog, Tigrinia, Turkish, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese.

How do we help immigrants? This is a partial list of what they told us:

### **Better understand American culture**

Do more things on their own

Talk with friends, neighbors, supervisors and co-workers in English

Get a job or promotion

Apply for Deferred Action

Become a U.S. citizen

Use a computer

Read the newspaper

Understand utility and other bills

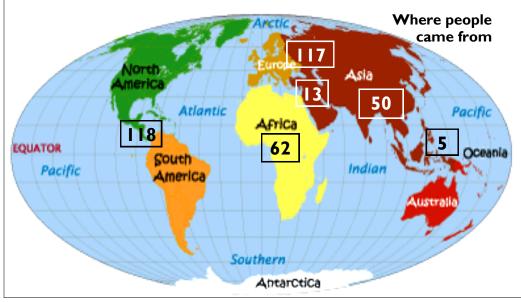
Use the internet, library and other community resources

### Clients

- 20% knew almost no English
- 53% had fewer than 12 years of schooling
- 61% are 55 years or older
- 67% are women
- 39% enrolled in the past year
- 39% live outside of Seattle
- Came from 44 countries

### Volunteers

- 13% have volunteered for more than 5 years
- 14% live outside of Seattle
- 62% are working
- 25% are retired
- Most people found out about volunteering through the internet or the church bulletin.



### **Volunteer Hours**

2861 Tutoring

1230 Prep

926 Travel

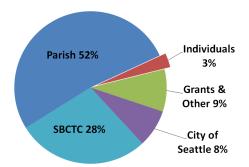
265 Admin

(92% reporting)



## Annual Report 2012-2013





### **Services**

**ESL Tutoring**: Enrollment is open to any adult refugee or low-income immigrant who wants to improve their English. Includes both tutoring and classes in various community locations. Started in 1975 and helped 86 people in 2012-13.

Citizenship Classes and Tutoring: Enrollment is open to anyone who wants to prepare for their citizenship interview. Started in 1997 and helped 107 people in 2012-13.

**Naturalization Assistance**: Helps clients complete their citizenship application, disability or language waivers, and gather all other necessary documents. Ensures clients have everything they need to apply, which may include legal representation, health services, transportation, etc. Started in 1999 and helped 82 people in 2012-13.

**Elder Integration**: Offers older refugees and immigrants an opportunity to connect with their peers, become more involved in the local community, and learn about civics, emergency preparation, health issues and services, community attractions, social services, etc. Started in 2009 and helped 82 people in 2012-13.

**Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals**: Helps undocumented youth apply to remain in the U.S, obtain work authorization, and access college. Started last year, helped 51 people apply, and provided information sessions to an additional 50 people.

We continue to work with the Archdiocese and other parishes to support immigration reform.

### **Expenses**



### Year in Review

### Goals for 2013-14



Nearly doubled elder immigrant enrollment



Changes to AmeriCorps eliminated our two full-time AmeriCorps positions



Added two internships for Seattle University graduate students



Hired a temporary staff member to coordinate application assistance for childhood arrivals After nearly two decades of using state and federal funding to provide ESL tutoring and classes, we decided not to re-apply. The amount was substantial: nearly \$90,000. That's a lot, but it has been decreasing for many years now. The real problem for us was that this funding was pulling us away from our core mission and purpose.

So, in order to stay true to our mission of helping people who have nowhere else to turn, we decided to forego the state and federal ESL funding. Of course, we have to raise the money from somewhere else, which is a big challenge. However, we have already seen the benefits to the people we serve, including an increase in ESL enrollment. With some luck and a lot of hard work, we expect to grow ESL as well as continue our other services at current levels for the next year.

### OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH!

We are revisiting important statements made in defense of life by Retired Archbishop Raymond Hunthausen.

## EXCERPTS FROM THE ADDRESS BY ARCHISHOP RAYMOND HUNTHAUSEN UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON LAW SCHOOL - JUNE 9, 1994

Courtesy of the Archives of the Archdiocese of Seattle

### THE RELATIONSHIP OF LAW AND MORALITY IN AMERICA TODAY: A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE

I have chosen to speak on *The Relationship of Law and Morality in America Today:* (from) A Catholic Perspective. I shall try to develop this topic by proposing two interrelated propositions which are grounded in my own Roman Catholic tradition, but which are by no means foreign to the tradition that serves as the base for our legal institutions as well.

The first proposition is that the *purpose of law* as an instrument of the state, **is to** foster conditions which promote public morality, peace, justice, the common good, and freedom, especially as these concern the less fortunate of the citizenry.

To claim that law has a moral purpose is certainly an unpopular—if not dangerous—proposition to some. When they hear of law "promoting morality," they think of persons enforcing their own set of private dos and don'ts on the rest of us: they think of *private* and *personal* morality. Law, however, has the purpose of promoting *public* morality. This involves expanding the freedom zone of citizens, fostering justice, promoting the common good, encouraging independent subsidiary groups such as universities and churches, and aiding those persons who are powerless, voiceless, weak or helpless, and often, ill-advised and uninformed. Law, then, is intended to foster the conditions in which human beings are helped to realize the fullness of their lives and their potential in a climate of mutual concern for others in the community, the society, and even the world.

Let me stress two aspects of this view of the purpose of law. First, while law cannot dictate morality to persons, it can create conditions in which the actual morality of individuals is profoundly affected, for better or for worse.

Second, law should favor the disadvantaged and the disenfranchised if it is to serve the common good. This view is reflected in our graduated federal income tax, in laws aiding the sick and the aged, in the public support of universal education, in affirmative action to redress discrimination, and in the regulation of powerful monopolies which have the potential to harm the public.

The principles of which I speak are inherent in our present legal system—a system derived from our Judeo-Christian tradition and our democratic idealism. In practice, however, there is a countervailing value system that we find at work in the United States, a system that places the convenience and material gain of the individual first and relegates care for the powerless and disadvantaged to the whim of the powerful.

Our legal system has come to display an increasing tolerance for violence. I would cite two things as evidence: the restoration of capital punishment; and the legal sanctioning of abortion.

In the light of the notion of the reciprocal relationship between law and public morality, I would like to assess some elements in the present condition of American society.

First of all, I am pleased that there now exists a fairly solid nationwide consensus that law is for the common good and that law should tend to favor the unfortunate, the disadvantaged, and the helpless, those who cannot protect themselves. I am, at the same time, disturbed that this principle is sometimes lost in the application of the law.

Secondly, I am pleased at the increasing realization on the part of many of us that such issues as the nuclear arms race and the state of the economy are not just technical matters for politicians and those involved in business, but also moral concerns that demand attention and hard choices for all citizens.

Thirdly, I am disturbed that the principle that the law should favor those who cannot protect themselves allows one glaring exception in our country at the present time. The principle is that the more one dominates another, the more one is accountable for that other's welfare.

However, there is a sudden abrogation of this principle in our law when we go back to the stage of incipient life, that is, the moment when the child in the womb is totally dependent on the mother. At that moment the mother is declared by law to have rather complete rights to do with the growing fetus whatever she wills. The unborn child cannot defend itself; the father has no say; and the state declares that it will do nothing to defend the life that is in jeopardy. We do not recognize the fetal child as deserving of protection under that same principle that protects the weak and the defenseless. We see the abortion issue as a conflict of rights, when more appropriately it is an act of violence that has many victims and grows out of the same social roots that feed poverty, that feed injustice, that feed other forms of violence, and ultimately even the militarization of our society. It is the same society that would offer a mother violence as a "solution," rather than address the overwhelming causes that bring her to this bleak choice.

In this instance we not only violate the principle of law that protects those who cannot protect themselves, we contravene another principle inherent in our system of law, the sacredness of human life.

A just society rests not merely on law but also on persons ready to sacrifice for the common good, persons who favor the weak, the defenseless: the disadvantaged and the disenfranchised. Laws that encourage and support such a citizenry will generate the spirit that makes our legal system work. On the contrary, laws which sanction the notion that those who have power—physical power, economic power, or the power that comes from position and advantage—have the right to misuse that power, contribute to the weakening of the moral fiber of our citizenry and ultimately to the weakening of our legal system.

