

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
The Third Sunday of Advent
December 17, 2017

Christmas 2017

at SAINT JAMES CATHEDRAL



Sunday, December 24, 2017

5:30 pm

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—

VIGIL MASS WITH CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Entrance Procession of the Children and Crib

Figures; blessing of the Christmas Crib

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan,

Presider & Homilist

with youth readers, musicians, and servers.

9:00 pm CAROL SERVICE

10:00pm NOTE TIME!

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—

MASS DURING THE NIGHT

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

This Mass is broadcast at Midnight on KING-TV

Monday, December 25, 2017

8:00 am

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—MASS AT DAWN

The Reverend David A. Brant, Presider

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan, Homilist

10:00 am and 12 Noon

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—

MASS DURING THE DAY

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan,

Presider & Homilist (10:00am)

The Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain,

Presider & Homilist (Noon)

4:00 pm

SOLEMN VESPERS OF CHRISTMAS

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan, Presider

5:30 pm

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD—

EVENING MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan,
Presider & Homilist

For more information, visit www.stjames-cathedral.org

ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR

The Third Sunday of Advent

PRELUDE

Savior of the nations, come
Bruhns

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

INTROIT FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Gaudete in Domino
Mode I, adapt. St. James Cathedral



SPRINKLING RITE

Cantor:

Rain down on us, hea - vens from on high;
Ro - ra - te cæ - li de - su - per;

ALL:

you clouds, pour forth the Just One.
et nu - bes plu - ant Ius - tum.

Rorate cæli
chant, adapt. Stratman

OPENING PRAYER (COLLECT)

The Liturgy of the Word,

FIRST READING

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11

RESPONSORIAL CANTICLE

Luke 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54
Nestor

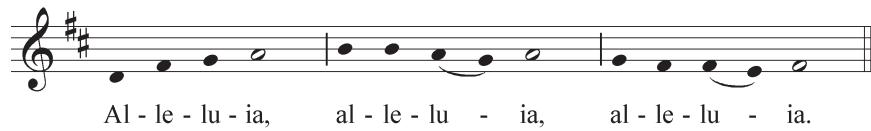


SECOND READING

I Thessalonians 5:16-24

ALLELUIA

Hurd



GOSPEL READING

John 1:6-8, 19-28

HOMILY

Father Michael G. Ryan

CREED CHANTED ON ONE TONE

(10:00 and Sunday Evening)

chant, Mode V

Presider *Credo in unum Deum,*Choir Patrem omnipotentem factorem cæli et terræ,
visibilium omnium et invisibilium.

ALL

Et in u - num Do - mi - num Je - sum Chri-stum,
Fi - li - um De - i u - ni - ge - ni - tum.

Choir Et ex Patre natum ante omnia sæcula.

ALL

De - um de De - o, lu - men de lú - mi - ne,
De - um ve - rum de De - o ve - ro.

Choir Genitum, non factum, consubstantiale Patri:
per quem omnia facta sunt.

ALL

Qui pro-pter nos hó - mi - nes et prop-ter no - stram
sa - lú - tem de - scén - dit de cæ - lis.

*All bow at the words of incarnation, sung by the Schola:*Choir Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto ex Maria Virgine,
et homo factus est.

ALL

Cru-ci - fí - xus é - ti - am pro no - bis
sub Pón-ti - o Pi - lá - to; pas-sus et se - púl - tus est.

Choir Et resurrexit tertia die, secundum Scripturas.

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 Pon-
tius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

ALL

Et a - scén - dit in cæ - lum,
se - det ad dexteram Pa - tris.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand
of the Father.

Choir Et iterum venturus est cum gloria,
iudicare vivos et mortuos,
cuius regni non erit finis.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

ALL

Et in Spíri-tum Sanctum, Domini-num et vi-vi-fi-
cán-tem: qui ex Patre Filii óque pro-cé-dit.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds
from the Father and the Son,

Choir Qui cum Patre et Filio simul
adoratur et conglorificatur:
qui locutus est per prophetas.

who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

ALL

Et u - nam, san - ctam, ca - thó - li - cam
et a - pos - tó - li - cam Ec - clé - si - am.

I believe in one, holy,
catholic and apostolic Church.

Choir Confiteor unum Baptisma in remissionem peccatorum.

I confess one Baptism
for the forgiveness of sins

ALL

Et ex-specto re-sur-recti-onem mortuorum.

and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead

Choir Et vitam venturi sæculi.

and the life of the world to come.

ALL

A - men.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Berthier

Venи Domine, No-li tar-da-re.
(Come, Lord, tarry no longer)

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

(10:00)

Rejoice in the Lord alway
Redford/Anon.

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all.
The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving,
let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding,
shall keep your hearts and minds through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Philippians 4:4-7*

(Noon)

"Deo gracias" from *A Ceremony of Carols*
Britten

(Sunday Evening)

Come, thou Redeemer of the earth
Rose

SANCTUS

New Plainsong Mass
Hurd

*Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Cantor, then ALL



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Cantor, then ALL



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

Hurd

Cantor, then ALL



We pro - claim your death, O Lord, and pro - fess your



Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

AMEN

Hurd



A - men, A - men, A - men.

LORD'S PRAYER

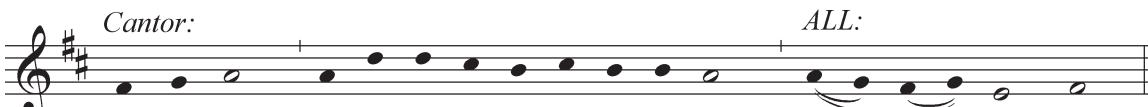
chant, adapt. Snow

AGNUS DEI

Hurd



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

COMMUNION

Dicite: Pusillanimes confortamini
chant, Mode VII

Say, take courage, you who are fainthearted, and do not fear; behold, our God will come and he will save us.

(10:00)

The angel Gabriel
Paulus

(Noon)

The angel Gabriel
Howell

(Sunday evening)

People, look East
Rose

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

O come, O come Emmanuel
VENI EMMANUEL

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high, Who or - ders
3. O come, O come, great Lord of might, Who to your

cap - tive Is - - - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly
all things might - - i - ly; To us the path of
tribes on Si - - nai's height In an - cient times once

ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.
gave the law, In cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe.

Re-joice! Re-joice! Em - man - u - el Shall come to you, O Is - - ra-el.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

PROCESSION

St. James Cathedral - Seattle

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

The Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain, Archbishop of Seattle

PASTOR

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

IN RESIDENCE

The Reverend David A. Brant

PASTORAL ASSISTANT for ADMINISTRATION

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Julianna Castro, Baptism Coordinator (206-619-0816)

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LITURGY

Corinna Laughlin, Pastoral Assistant for Liturgy (206-264-2086)

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Stephen Pace, sacristans (206-654-4646)

MUSIC MINISTRY (206-382-4874)

Dr. Paul A. Thornock, Director of Music

Joseph Adam, Associate Director of Music & Organist

Stacey Sunde, Director of Youth Music

Marjorie Bundy, Music Office Assistant

SOCIAL OUTREACH and ADVOCACY

Patrick Barredo, Director (206-382-4515)

Hunt Hoffman, Hospitality and Administrative Support (206-382-4235)

Teddi Callahan, Carol DeMatteis, Keith Emry,

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MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY

Nancy Granger, Parish Mental Health Nurse (206-382-4269)

ST. JAMES IMMIGRANT ASSISTANCE (206-382-4511)

Christopher J. Koehler, Director

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STEWARSHIP and DEVELOPMENT

Maria Laughlin, Director (206-382-4284)

YOUTH MINISTRY and YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Curtis Leighton, Director (206-264-2082)

PARISH OFFICE

Sister Mary Slater, SNJM, Bookkeeper (206-382-4564)

Margaret Lynch, Wedding Office (206-382-4288)

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Jane Mueller, Receptionist (206-622-3559)

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FACILITIES and GROUNDS

Tang Nguyen, Facilities Supervisor (206-264-2087)

Alan Frasher, Melina McCombs, Steve Raab, David Wilson

CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS

MASS

Sundays 8 - 10 - 12 & 5:30 pm

Weekdays 8:15 & 5:30 pm

Saturdays 8:15 & "Vigil" 5:30 pm

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. Contact Julianna Castro for information, 206-619-0816.

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 twice yearly. In case of serious illness, impending surgery, or advanced age, please call the parish office. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick should not be delayed until the person is unconscious or in imminent danger of death. Call the Parish Office for information.

FUNERALS for parishioners, contact Suzanne Lee, 206-654-4640.

CONTEMPLATIVE ECUMENICAL PRAYER, First Fridays, 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, 206-264-2086.

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. After-hours Emergency answering service for parishioners: 206-467-3049

804 Ninth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104

Telephone: 206-622-3559 FAX: 206-622-5303

Website: www.stjames-cathedral.org

WELCOME, VISITORS! 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. For more information about the parish, to register, or to ask a question, visit our **Sunday Help Desk** at Coffee Hour. A Cathedral staff person will be on hand to assist you. Be sure to stop by the **Cathedral Bookstore** after Mass for a wide selection of Cathedral souvenirs as well as Catholic books and gifts.

FOR YOUR SAFETY At each of the weekend Masses a Seattle police officer is present on the Cathedral campus.

ON THE COVER Saint John the Baptist. *Virgin and Child with Six Saints*, Neri di Bicci, ca. 1456. Cathedral Chapel.

CATHEDRAL ESPRESSO IS OPEN after the 10:00am Mass in Cathedral Hall. All proceeds for the month of December go to our Prepares Pregnancy Support Ministry.

2017 NATIONAL VIGIL FOR GUN VIOLENCE VICTIMS

This weekend, St. James Cathedral joins with faith communities across the country to pray for an end to gun violence and for changes in our country's gun control policies. In the Cathedral, you are invited to pray next to the altar of Pope John XXII, where there is an image of Jesus weeping over Jerusalem.

SPECIAL MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY

With Christmas Eve falling on a Sunday this year, please note some changes to our schedule for Sunday, December 24. The 8:00am and 10:00am Masses will take place as usual. Note that these will be Masses for the Fourth Sunday of Advent, NOT Christmas Masses. **In order to prepare for the Christmas liturgies, there will be no Noon Mass or Vespers on Christmas Eve.** The Christmas liturgies will begin with the 5:30pm Vigil Mass of Christmas on December 24. The Mass of Christmas Night will follow at 10:00pm. On Christmas Day, Masses will be at 8:00am, 10:00am, Noon, and 5:30pm, with Vespers of Christmas Day at 4:00pm.

CHRISTMAS GREETERS NEEDED Each year, nearly four thousand parishioners and visitors come to the Cathedral on Christmas Eve! We need your help to extend a warm welcome to every one of them! Please consider volunteering as a greeter to provide hospitality, answer basic questions, and hand out programs. Greeters get reserved seats for the Mass. We need greeters for both the 5:30pm Mass (greet from 4:00pm-5:15pm) and the 10:00pm Mass (greet from 7:45pm-9:00pm). Please contact Corinna Laughlin, 206-264-2086, or claughlin@stjames-cathedral.org if you are interested.

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 pray for the parishes of St. John in Vancouver and Seattle, and St. John Mission in Montesano and Mukilteo.

SOCK DRIVE Please bring sock donations to the Cathedral Hall after the morning Masses, the Chapel after the 5:30 Masses, or the Parish office during the week. The deadline is Sunday, December 31. To volunteer to collect socks contact Curtis Leighton, 206-264-2082 or cleighton@stjames-cathedral.org.

OPUS 7 CONCERT-AYE, SING WE NOW OF JOY!
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2017 AT 7:30PM Celebrate the joyous seasons of Advent and Christmas with a program of European and American favorites conducted by Loren Pontén. This concert features Francis Poulenc's dramatic *Quatre Motets pour le temps de Noël*, Hugo Distler's variations on Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming, and the exultant *O Heiland, reiß die Himmel auf* by Johannes Brahms. The program also includes works by Pacific Northwest composers Wyers, Brozovich, Muehleisen, and Herbolsheimer, as well as modern European composers Pärt, Villette, and Busto. *Information and passes*, www.opus7.org.

BLOOD DRIVE, MONDAY, DECEMBER 18 in the Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia Street, 12:30pm-6:30pm (closed 2:30–3:15). Parking is available at the adjacent Frye Museum Parking Lot. What better way is there to demonstrate love and compassion for others during this Advent Season, than to share the precious gift of lifesaving blood? Most everyone from 16 years old and up can donate blood; there is no age limit. 16-17 year old donors may come alone, with a picture ID and a Bloodworks permission form (download at www.bloodworksnw.org).

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT Please join us as we kick off the 2018 season of marriage enrichment on Saturday, January 20, 2018, at 6:30pm in the Holy Names Room, Pastoral Outreach Center. Married couples are invited to join us for a Dinner Date Series: Food for the Souls of Married Couples. Babysitting is provided. The evening will be facilitated by Christina and Dave Buchholz and we'll spend time discussing the themes that future evenings will explore. To register, contact Kathleen McCabe, kmccabe@stjames-cathedral.org or Suzanne Lee, slee@stjames-cathedral.org.

SAVE THE DATE: The annual Mass for Life and March for Life will be held January 22, 2018, the 45th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion throughout the United States. The Mass for Life will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the Marcus Pavilion of St. Martin's University in Lacey and will be concelebrated by Archbishop Sartain and Abbot Roth of St. Martin's Abbey. The March for Life, sponsored by Washington State March for Life, will take place on the steps of the State Capitol Building in Olympia at noon. Transportation to both events from St. James will be available. *Information*, Suzanne Lee, 206-654-4640 or slee@stjames-cathedral.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY

SUNDAY MORNING GATHERING Teens in grades 9 through 12 are welcome to join our Sunday gatherings from 11:00am to 11:45am, in Room 211 of O'Dea High School. Come and reflect on this Sunday's gospel over donuts and hot cocoa!

YOUTH NIGHT TONIGHT Come join other high school teens tonight for our Advent fiesta, and don't forget to bring your best Christmas sweater game! From 6:30-8:30 in the Pastoral Outreach Center.

Information, Curtis Leighton, 206-264-2082, cleighton@stjames-cathedral.org

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

For Catholics in their 20s and 30s

ST JAMES LIT Our monthly literature group will be meeting on Tuesday, December 19 at 7:00pm at Optimism Brewing. We'll be reading two short stories by Truman Capote and Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. *Information*, Hunt Hoffmann hhoffman@stjames-cathedral.org

THE GREENING IS THIS WEDNESDAY The Greening of the Cathedral, a long-standing "labor of love" of Cathedral young adults, will kick off at 6:15pm on Wednesday, December 20 with pizza and light refreshments and then we'll head to the Cathedral to decorate the space for the Christmas season. RSVP to Curtis if you plan to be there and whether you'll be joining us for pizza. *Information*, Curtis Leighton, 206-264-2082, cleighton@stjames-cathedral.org

ADVOCACY 101 On Saturday, January 27, 10am-2:30pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe church, the parishes of South Seattle and Catholic Community Services will offer a retreat to help form you in Catholic Social Teaching and Advocacy. This will be a precursor to Catholic Advocacy Day, Wednesday, February 21 in Olympia. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515 or pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org.

COUNT US IN – FRIDAY, JANUARY 26 All Home, a Seattle/King County agency that focuses on homelessness, is now accepting volunteers for Count Us In 2018, the annual count of people experiencing homelessness. Volunteers will be asked to conduct a visual count of individuals experiencing homelessness across King County. Teams are comprised of community volunteers and expert guides (individuals currently/Previously experiencing homelessness). Volunteers are expected to have a cell phone, and to walk approximately 2-3 miles if necessary. To volunteer, go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KingCountyPIT2018>. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515 or pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org.

Sacred Steps

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS AT ST. JAMES

REST IN PEACE to Please pray for the repose of the soul of Wayne Melonson.

YOUR LIBERATION IS BOUND UP WITH MINE We hear Isaiah call us to ready the way for the Lord so that “all people shall see it together.” To ensure that all are hearing together, join us for Your Liberation is Bound Up with Mine the second annual immigration Summit at Seattle University on March 10 to pray and talk through how we can be one community. Look for registration and more information at www.seattleu.edu/ictc in early 2018. *Information:* Christopher Koehler, ckoehler@stjames-cathedral.org, 206-382-4511.

A WEEKLY TIP ON CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME Designate certain rooms in your home, or certain hours of the day (or both!), as tech-free zones. This allows more time for contemplation, reading books or newspapers, or praying. It also allows more time for meaningful interaction with family members and friends, all of which leads to a greater appreciation of our world.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS YOU Sometimes we leave a home visit with big smiles on our faces – like the time we visited a bright, determined young woman who needed rent help after incurring unexpected medical bills. We had just handed her a SVdP rent voucher when she asked if we could advise her on finding a husband! She said her goal was to get married in a year, but she had no one in mind. We had a jolly chat, with each of us sharing a bit of our own life experience and “wisdom” on the subject. As we left, the young woman asked us to pray for her and to pray that her “fiancee will come soon.” Thank you for your prayers for our SVdP mission to help our neighbors in need! *Information,* Bob Clifford, 206-718-4158 or bobclifford53@gmail.com.

SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED St. James hosts a Coffee Hour in the Cathedral Hall on Sundays after the 8am, 10am, and 12pm Masses. It is a welcoming space in which persons experiencing homelessness and parishioners can come together to drink coffee, eat pastries, relax, and socialize. It is also a great place to learn about the array of ministries and volunteer opportunities at St. James. We are in need of volunteers to serve coffee and pastries and help clean up after each Mass. *Information,* Hunt Hoffman, hhoffman@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4235.

CULTURAL COMPANIONS In partnership with a local agency supporting refugees, we are seeking volunteers to be cultural companions to visit refugee families 3-4 times per month for six months in order to practice English, build friendship, explore the community together, answer questions about life in America, and offer support as families get settled into their new lives here. *Information,* Caroline Okello, 206-382-4511, cokello@stjames-cathedral.org.

PREPARES MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS The cathedral’s new Pregnancy and Parenting Support Ministry, PREPARES, offers unconditional, nurturing care to families from pregnancy through a child’s fifth birthday. PREPARES recognizes that parents need love and ongoing community support in order to choose life in difficult circumstances. We are forming teams of volunteers to work with a parent or family over the long haul. We already have a waiting list of pregnant mothers, single parents, and young families who have asked for help. Please consider stepping forward. *Information,* Suzanne Lee slee@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-654-4640

A guide to Christmas 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!

Special thanks to the Frye Art Museum for making parking available to us on December 24-25!

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 all weekend and all Christmas 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 Frye Museum parking lots on Terry Avenue (*Christmas Eve night and Christmas day only*)

Please DO NOT park:

- In any of 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
- 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

The place where you stand is holy ground

EXODUS 3:5



SUNDAY GIVING AT ST JAMES CATHEDRAL

RESULTS THROUGH DECEMBER 13

Total pledges received **574**

% participation (out of 2,529 households) 23%

Participation goal **50%**

Pledges needed to reach participation goal 690

Thank you to all who have turned in a pledge! Please drop your pledge card in the basket today, or go online to set up your giving via credit card or direct debit. You can participate even if you are unable to make a financial commitment by offering your gift of prayer!
Information, www.stjames-cathedral.org.



Parish Communal Celebration of the **SACRAMENT of PENANCE**

Monday, December 18, 2017
7:30 pm

During this beautiful service of readings, reflection, and song, we will open ourselves to experience the gift of God's gracious and loving forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance.

Pope Francis says: "The Sacrament of Reconciliation... enables us to touch the grandeur of God's mercy with our own hands. For every penitent, it is a source of true interior peace." *It has long been a tradition in the Church to confess one's sins before celebrating the great feast of Christmas. This will be the ideal time to do so.*



Third week of Advent

"John answered them, "I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal."

JOHN 1:26-27

Rejoice in the Lord always

The Mass in Latin for this Sunday begins with the words: "Gaudete in Domino semper" ("Rejoice in the Lord always"). This antiphon and the subsequent readings remind us that as we go about the work of Advent – to remain watchful for the Messiah's return and prepare our hearts to live holy lives – we have a joy in the journey: our salvation is already at hand, thanks to the grace and goodness of God.

In the Gospel reading this Sunday we hear that John the Baptist was a witness who testified to the light. The light is Jesus, who came to remove darkness from the world. We are like John the Baptist; we are chosen to witness to Jesus, the light of the world. The salvation we await will liberate both the individual and the community, and its special focus will be the afflicted and marginalized.

Maryknoll missionaries often meet ordinary people who live extraordinary lives, shining God's light in out-of-the-way places. Father David Schwinghamer met one such person in the refugee camps of Ngara, Tanzania.

"Juvenalis Niboye was a reluctant leader who had to stand up to a death threat," the Maryknoll missionary recalled. "He was a catechist from Burundi who was designated leader of the Christians in a camp of 20,000 Burundian refugees. They had chosen Juvenalis because of his honesty and trustworthiness in the chaos of the camp.

"One day Juvenalis appeared at my house holding a letter that had been left at his door step. He was obviously

shaken by the contents of the letter. It contained a fearsome warning: either turn over the Sunday collection or be killed."

"I have two choices," Juvenalis said, "leave the camp and return to Burundi where I could be arrested, or stay here and take my chances with those who threaten me."

A few days later, Juvenalis had made his decision. "It is not easy because my wife wants us to return home," he said, "but I am afraid to go back to Burundi. So, I have decided to put my life in God's hands and stay here."

It takes nerve to be faithful! To risk it all, including the safety of one's family, takes courage. Fortunately, neither Juvenalis nor his family was harmed; and after several more years in the distress of a refugee camp, the entire Burundian community was able to return home.

We can look to both Juvenalis and John the Baptist for help in remembering the origins and purposes of Jesus. Both men challenge us to be faithful witnesses of God's light, even in dark places.

Questions for Reflection

What gives you joy during this Advent season?

What opportunities do you have to bring joy to someone who needs encouragement to persevere?

Pax Christi at St James

Gun Violence Prevention

December 15-17: This weekend is the National Gun Violence Prevention Sabbath during which various faith traditions and congregations work toward prevention of gun violence (decembersabbath.org). **Visit the Help Desk** at coffee hour on Sunday, Dec 17 for resources on preventing gun violence.

World Day of Peace

December 31: The World Day of Peace will be recognized by Pax Christi after the morning Masses on Sunday, December 31 in the Cathedral Hall during coffee hour. **Stop by our table** to learn more and receive a copy of the Pope's message about world peace.

Celebrating Martin Luther King, Jr.

January 7: Excerpts from MLK's prophetic "Beyond Vietnam" speech will be read aloud in the Holy Names Room at 1:15pm (after Noon Mass). This speech addresses matters of race, injustice, and war that are as important today as they were fifty years ago. **Come listen** to honor the life of MLK and be inspired by his words.

Vow of Nonviolence

Mass with Archbishop Sartain

January 13: *Nonviolence: A Style of Politics for Peace* is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for his yearly message for the 2017 World Day of Peace. We invite you to join Pax Christi members in making a one-year Vow of Nonviolence on Saturday, January 13 at the 5:30pm Mass.

Visit Pax Christi: **Second Sunday of each month at 1:15** in the Mother Mary Rose Room. *Info, Hunt Hoffman, hhoffman@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4235*

New Year's Eve

at St. James Cathedral

Sunday, December 31 at 11:00 pm

*The Americans in
Paris: A Gala New
Year's Eve with the
Cathedral Choir
& Jubilate Young
Women's Ensemble*

Music from significant
Parisian churches by
Widor, Dupré, Vierne,
and more, for choir
and two organs. Plus,
the return of the
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conductor

Joseph Adam
Cathedral organist

Wyatt Smith
organist

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Suggested donation \$30 →→→→→ Doors open at 10:00 pm
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206-382-4874 or musicoffice@stjames-cathedral.org

Visit our Facebook page at “Music at St. James Cathedral” for info about upcoming events!



Pause for
Prayerful Reflection
as You Enter the New Year

“Let the rain sing you
a lullaby...”

Langston Hughes

Saturday, January 6, 2018
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia Street

Drawing on images of a rainy Northwest winter, and using the wisdom of St. Ignatius, facilitator Rosanne Michaels will guide you through a prayerful reflection on your life as you begin a new year.

- * Unwind from the busyness of the holidays with a peaceful one-day retreat
- * Reflect on the previous year and prayerfully look toward the year ahead
- * There will be much time for silent and individual reflection.

Please bring a brown-bag lunch.
Snacks and beverages will be provided.

RSVP Requested

Questions? Rosanne Michaels, 206.654.4658,
rmichaels@stjames-cathedral.org

Learn more about St. James Cathedral's newest ministry

Juvenile Justice Committee

WHAT IS THE JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE?

The Juvenile Justice Committee of St. James Cathedral affirms the inherent dignity of court-involved youth and forges a parish-wide commitment to spiritual care, re-entry support, and restorative justice practices.

WHAT DOES THE JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE DO?

- We foster peace-making between victims, offenders and community members through restorative circles.
- We recruit volunteers to provide the ministry of presence, tutoring, etc. for youth in troubling situations and marshal the resources of our parish to help at-risk youth.
- We bring about reconciliation and restorative justice in our parish community and serve as a resource for other Cathedral ministries.



Victim, offender and community members sit in circle.

WHY DO WE NEED A JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE?

Pope Francis says that “the worst

Get Involved

Jan. 13 Quarterly Information Session
(Pastoral Outreach Center, 9am-Noon)

Jan. 20 Parish Community-Building Circle,
(Pastoral Outreach Center, 2-5pm)

Jan. 26 Peacemaking Summit (Seattle University, 6-9pm). Tickets available at www.peacemaking-summit.eventbrite.com

discrimination that the poor suffer is the lack of spiritual care” (*Evangelii Gaudium* 200). The



Pope Francis blesses a prisoner in Philadelphia.

Juvenile Justice Committee seeks to address this lack, and to provide a space where healing, restoration and reconciliation are possible in partnership with King County Prosecutors' Office. We are committed to accompanying youth offenders, victims, and their families in a peace-making process rooted in mutual respect, accountability and candid dialogue.

HOW CAN I HELP? Quarterly information sessions are a great way to learn more about our work and how you can help. To participate in the circles, a background check and 3-day training is required.

CONTACT Patrick Barredo, Director of Social Outreach & Advocacy, pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org, or Curtis Leighton, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, cleighton@stjames-cathedral.org, for more information about how circles can bring healing into your relationships and your community.

STAR LIGHT

EPIPHANY PARTY

for children and their families

Meet the Magi

Make your own star ornament,

Take a swing at a piñata, and more!

Saturday, January 6, 2018

from 10am to 1pm in Cathedral Hall

Gifts for the Pregnancy Support Ministry gladly accepted

RSVP required by January 2, 2018

*Information Theresa Van de Ven
(206) 219-5822 tvandeven@stjames-cathedral.org*

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL PARISH

We are the cathedral for the Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle and its Archbishop, The Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain. We are also a parish church for a vibrant faith community with a long history that reaches back to Seattle's early days.

We are an inner-city parish with an outreach to many who live on the edge of poverty and loneliness. We are a diverse community that welcomes, accepts, and celebrates the differences we all bring. We exist in the heart of the city, yet sometimes our parishioners come from considerable distances to worship here.

St. James Cathedral is a crossroads where ideas and challenges both old and new are explored in the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Our cathedral is also the center for many cultural and ecumenical events which both reflect and help to shape the fabric of a vital metropolitan community.

Above all, St. James Cathedral is a community of prayer.

