



God mounts his throne to shouts of joy;  
a blare of trumpets for the Lord.  
*Icon of the Ascension of the Lord. Joan Brand-Landkamer, Cathedral Iconographer*

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL  
**The ASCENSION of the LORD**

May 4, 2008

# ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Out of respect for the liturgy we are about to celebrate,

*PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELLULAR PHONES.*

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (Saturday 5:30pm)

**The Most Reverend Joseph Tyson**, Auxiliary Bishop of Seattle, *Presider*

PRELUDE

“Andante” from *Symphony No. 4*

Vierne

INTROIT FOR ASCENSION *O men of Galilee*

SWABIA



Antiphon 1. O men of Gal - i - lee, Why gaze in - to the sky? Just  
Psalm 47 2. All peo-ples, clap your hands, To God with joy now sing. The  
3. God has gone up with shouts A - mid the trum-pet's blast. Sing  
4. The Lord rules o - ver all, And sits up - on the throne. All  
5. Give glo - ry to our God, The Fa - ther, and the Son, And  
Antiphon 6. O men of Gal - i - lee, Why gaze in - to the sky? Just



as the Lord as - cend - ed, so He will re - turn from high.  
Lord, the Awe - some, the Most High, O'er all the earth is King.  
praise to God our King, sing praise, And let this mu - sic last.  
ru - lers of the earth shall kneel And hon - or God a - lone.  
al - so to the Par - a - clete, E - ter - nal Three - in - One.  
as the Lord as - cend - ed, so He will re - turn from high.

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES (Saturday 5:30pm) All join in the response, **I do.**

SPRINKLING RITE

*Vidi aquam*

Schubert, adapted



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## GLORIA

Schubert, adapt. Proulx

*f* Glo - ry, glo - ry to God in the high - est, and *p* peace to his peo - ple on earth.  
Lord, Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
For you a - lone are the Ho - ly one, you a - lone are the Lord.

*f* Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther. We  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world, have  
You a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,

wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your  
mer - cy on us, You are se - ted at the right hand of the  
with the Ho - ly Spi - rit in the glo - ry of God the

*f* glo - ry, we praise you for your glo - ry,  
Fa - ther, re - ceive our pray'r, re - ceive our pray'r.  
Fa - ther. A - - - - men. A - - - - men.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 1: 1-11

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalms 47

Proulx

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

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1: 17-23

ALLELUIA

Palestrina/Monk

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

GOSPEL

Matthew 28: 16-20

CALLING OF THE CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION (Saturday 5:30pm)

HOMILY

Bishop Joseph Tyson (Saturday 5:30pm)

Father Michael G. Ryan (all other Masses)

## THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (Saturday 5:30pm)

PRAYER OF CONFIRMATION

LAYING ON OF HANDS

ANOIDTING WITH CHRISM



## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

Offertory (10:00)

*Ascendens Christus in altum*

Rafaella Aleotti

Christ has ascended to heaven, alleluia;  
 He led captivity captive with him, alleluia;  
 He gave heavenly gifts to all, alleluia;  
 In jubilation he ascended to heaven, alleluia.

## SANCTUS

*German Mass*

Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might, \_\_\_\_\_  
 heav - en and earth are full, \_\_\_\_\_ full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes \_\_\_\_\_ in the name of the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *German Mass*

Schubert, adapted for St. James Cathedral

When we eat this bread, \_\_\_\_\_ when we drink this cup, \_\_\_\_\_  
 we pro-claim your death \_\_\_\_\_ un - til you come in glo - ry.

## AMEN

*German Mass*

Schubert

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

# AGNUS DEI

*German Mass*

Schubert



## COMMUNION

All power has been given to me in heaven and on earth, alleluia;  
go therefore and teach all the nations, baptizing them in the name  
of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, alleluia, alleluia.

When you return to your place after receiving Holy Communion, please **KNEEL OR BE SEATED**. This is the norm for large assemblies in the Archdiocese of Seattle and we thank you for following our practice.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Hail the day that sees him rise*

LLANFAIR



1. Hail the day that sees him rise Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. There for him high tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. High - est heav'n its Lord re - ceives, Al - le - lu - ia!



To his throne a - bove the skies; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Yet he loves the earth he leaves; Al - le - lu - ia!



Christ, a - while to mor - tals given, Al - le - lu - ia!  
He has con - quered death and sin; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Though re - turn - ing to his throne, Al - le - lu - ia!



Re - as - cends his na - tive heaven. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Take the King of glo - ry in. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Still he calls the world his own. Al - le - lu - ia!

## ANTIPHON TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(10:00)

*Angelus Domini: Ave Maria*

Biebl

(Noon)

*Mary the Dawn, Christ the Perfect Day*

Mulcahy

(Sunday Evening)

*Regina celi jubila*

Prætorius

## PROCESSION

“Final” from *Symphony No. 6*

Widor

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#### 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. 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.

**ECUMENICAL PRAYER** with music from Taizé, Fridays at 6:30 pm.

**TOURS OF THE CATHEDRAL** Groups of 6 or more may arrange a tour by calling Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284

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

#### ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL PARISH

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**WELCOME** *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 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 IN THE CATHEDRAL** are from Patty Bowman in memory of her sister Kathleen on the tenth anniversary of her death.

**ARCHDIOCESAN MAY 10, 2008 CONFERENCE FOR YOUNG ADULTS** Join other young adults from the archdiocese at The Evergreen State College for Young Adult Conference 2008 – ROOTED: Cross Generation. The day features two keynotes by Catholic evangelist Jesse Romero and will include mega workshops on foundations of our faith and breakout workshops will cover a variety of topics. Evening events: Mass with Archbishop Brunett, buffet dinner, and a social with a DJ and dancing. Registration brochures are available. *Information* TerryAnn Bowen, 206-382-2018, [tbowen@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:tbowen@stjames-cathedral.org), or contact Frances Farrell [frances.farrell@seattlearch.org](mailto:frances.farrell@seattlearch.org) or on the archdiocesan website and on FaceBook.

**JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF** Are you seeking comfort after the death of a loved one? Join others who have also experienced loss in a prayerful supportive environment. In a six-week guided group process we will journey through our grief and gently embrace our mourning so that ultimately we may find healing. The group will meet on Saturday mornings, beginning May 10. *Information* John Simpson, 206-274-3173 or [jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org).

**THE NEXT SENIOR TRIP** will be Wednesday, May 14. Enjoy the animals and lush landscape of Northwest Trek as well as the company of God's people! We'll stop for lunch at a buffet, too. Space is limited and priority will be given to registered parishioners! *Information*, or to reserve your place, John Simpson, Pastoral Care Minister, at 206-274-3173 or [jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org).

**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!** Mark your calendars now for our annual trek to Safeco Field to cheer the Mariners on to victory. Plan on joining us on Sunday, July 20 at 1:05 pm when the Cleveland Indians come to town. More information to come...

**SANDWICHES FOR ST. MARTIN DE PORRES SHELTER** may be brought to the coffee hours next Sunday or to the parish office before 3:00 pm on Monday, May 12.

**REST IN PEACE** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Carol Givens, wife of Robert Givens.

**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. Catherine Mission, Cathlamet and Concrete; St. Philip, Woodland; and Sacred Heart, Seattle, Bellevue and Morton.*

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2008**

Results through April 27, 2008

Pledges received 191  
(of 2,342 households)  
% participation 8%  
Combined parish and Archdiocesan goal \$405,000



Please, turn in your pledge today and be a part of this important appeal! If you're not sure what to give, would you consider a gift of \$365? There are many options available to make it easy and convenient to give. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP** The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops have stated: "In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation." In this important election year, we are challenged as Catholics to reflect on the issues in light of our faith and our church's social teachings. Please join us for the second in a three-part series on Faithful Citizenship: *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, presented by Sr. Linda Haydock, Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center. Monday, May 5, 7:00 pm, Cathedral Place, fourth floor. *Information*, Patty Bowman, 206-382-4515, pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org

**WOULD YOU CONSIDER BEING A RCIA SPONSOR?** We continue to have many new inquirers coming to participate in our Christian Initiation process to learn more about the Catholic Church (RCIA). We need St. James parishioners to be companions with our new inquirers to help welcome them to our community. All training and support will be provided and the time commitment is reasonable, a minimum of 2 sessions a month (Wednesday evenings). *Sponsor Information Meeting: May 14*. The rewards are many, including renewal and update of your faith and "kudos" in heaven. *Information*, Helen Oesterle at 206-382-4514.

**ST. JAMES RESIDENT ENSEMBLE** Seattle Pro Musica, Karen P. Thomas, Musical Director, presents Rachmaninov's Vespers, a work considered the greatest musical achievement of the Russian Orthodox church, Friday, May 16, 8:15 pm & Saturday, May 17, 8:00 pm. *Information*, 206-781-2766 or [www.seattlepromusica.org](http://www.seattlepromusica.org).

**ADVOCACY TRAINING TO END HOMELESSNESS** The Archdiocesan Housing Authority's FAITH program is hosting an Advocacy Training and Issue Briefing on Saturday, May 17 at 10:30 am at Keystone United Church of Christ (5019 Keystone Place N, Seattle 98103). Participants will be briefed on federal legislation relating to housing and homelessness. They will also hear a spirited and inspiring presentation from Nancy Amidei on how to get involved in the campaign to end homelessness. *Information*, Jennifer Ibach 206-654-4640.

**CATHEDRAL BOOK GROUP** On Tuesday, May 27, at 7:00 pm in the Mother Mary Rose Room at the Pastoral Outreach Center, you're invited to gather for a discussion of Jean Vanier's *Befriending the Stranger*. Vanier opens up God's invitation to us to create new places of belonging and sharing, of peace and kindness, where each person is loved and accepted. *Befriending the Stranger* is available in the Cathedral Bookstore. No previous book group experience required! *Information*, Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284 or [mlaughter@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:mlaughter@stjames-cathedral.org).

**CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE** New this week: *Souls in the Hands of a Tender God*, by Cathedral friend, Craig Rennebohm. If you missed the Thomas Lynch lecture, you can still get his beautiful memoirs and poetry. The supply of gymbags is low, so don't wait. St. Francis garden art is available for your flower beds or window boxes.

## I AM IN YOUR MIDST AS ONE WHO SERVES

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**VOLUNTEER CHORE SERVICE ORIENTATION** VCS helps connect parishioners with people who need chore services and companionship. Volunteers help to ensure that elders and individuals with disabilities and/or long-term illnesses can remain in their homes among familiar surroundings rather than going to an institutionalized setting. In March, our VCS volunteers contributed nearly 200 hours of direct service. If you are interested in this rewarding ministry, please come to the Orientation to be held in the Mother Cabrini Room (basement level) of the Pastoral Outreach Center on Tuesday, May 13 at 6:30 pm *Information* Jennifer Ibach, 206-654-4640.

**PREGNANCY SUPPORT MINISTRY** The U.S. Bishops have stated: "The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society." Pregnancy Support Ministry is dedicated to helping foster human life by providing practical assistance and emotional and spiritual support for pregnant and newly parenting women. The need is great, and we are looking for additional volunteers to join us. If you can cook a meal, or drive a client to an appointment, or help with light chores, we need you! Next Training May 19, 2008. *Information*, Patty Bowman, 206-382-4515 or [pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org).

# ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

April 27, 2008

Dear Friends,

It seems altogether fitting that we mark Annual Catholic Appeal Sunday in the wake of the visit to our country of Pope Benedict XVI. I don't know about you, but I experienced, during those memorable days, a strong feeling of pride in being Catholic. The Holy Father brought a message to us that was both timeless and timely. He challenged us to probe our faith at its deepest level and not to separate our faith from the rest of our lives. He also challenged us to renew our relationship with Jesus Christ, "the way, the truth, and the life," and to find in that relationship new and compelling reasons for hope. He reminded us that our faith is a call to freedom – a freedom not to be confused with license but the true freedom of the children of God which is found only in self-surrender to a loving God.

From the White House where he was a respected head of state, to the Vatican Embassy where he was pastor to the hurting; from the United Nations where he spoke to the world, to St. Patrick's Cathedral where he spoke to his own; from Ground Zero where he prayed in silence, to Yankee Stadium where he reminded America of its true greatness – in each of those places and every place in between, Pope Benedict called us, in humble, soft-spoken yet persuasive ways, to our true greatness, owning his own frailty in the process and giving us courage to accept our own. All in all, it was an extraordinary six days. A proud time to be Catholic!

Today, as we are asked to support the work of our church beyond the confines of St. James Cathedral parish, we will do well to reflect a little on the privilege that is ours to be part of a church that is truly Catholic. The Church of the Archdiocese of Seattle, through our Archbishop, is our visible link to the universal Church. It is not only our duty to support that Church in every way we can, but it is our privilege. To contribute monetarily to the Church through the Archbishop's Annual Catholic Appeal is to step up and claim with pride what it means to be Catholic.

In his homily at the Mass in Yankee Stadium, Pope Benedict looked to our past as a Church in this country and reminded us of what we have accomplished. Here are a few of his words:

*We think of the strong faith which built up the network of churches, educational, healthcare and social institutions which have long been the hallmark of the Church in this land. We think also of those countless fathers and mothers who passed on the faith to their children, the steady ministry of the many priests who devoted their lives to the care of souls, and the incalculable contribution made by so many men and women religious, who not only taught generations of children how to read and write, but also inspired in them a lifelong desire to know God, to love him and to serve him. How many "spiritual sacrifices pleasing to God" have been offered up in these two centuries!*

Dear friends, as you consider what your gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal will be this year, I know you will do so with an awareness that what you do and what you give is part of a great history: a generous carrying on of what Catholic people in this country of ours have always done to bring the gospel to life and make Jesus Christ known and loved.

  
Father Michael G. Ryan



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN WESTERN WASHINGTON

# A Future Full of Hope

OUR FUTURE  
Our Church

OUR FUTURE  
Our Youth

OUR FUTURE  
Our Community



## *Annual* CATHOLIC *Appeal*

Soon, you will be receiving specific information at your home about the 2008 Annual Catholic Appeal, requesting your consideration of a gift to help support the 63 ministries and services in our diverse community.

**YOU** can help make a difference.

Commitment  
Sunday **May 4**

Visit our website at [www.seattlearch.org/aca](http://www.seattlearch.org/aca)



*In the Catholic Tradition,  
responsible citizenship  
is a virtue, and  
participation in  
political life is a  
moral obligation.*

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

**St. James Cathedral is pleased to present a three part  
series exploring the intersection of faith,  
conscience and political participation.**

Monday, May 5

***Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship***

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has stated: “In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation.” In this important election year, we are challenged as Catholics to reflect on the issues in light of our faith and our church’s social teachings. Please join us for the second in a three-part series on Faithful Citizenship.

*Presenter: Sr. Linda Haydock, Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center*

Monday, May 12

***Formation and Exercise of Conscience***

This session will examine the principles and processes for the good formation and exercise of conscience.

*Presenter: Helen Oesterle, Director of Faith Formation, St. James Cathedral*

All sessions at 7:00 pm in Cathedral Place, Fourth Floor.

*Information, Patty Bowman, 206-382-4515,  
or e-mail [pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org).*





# Befriending the Stranger

AN INTRODUCTION TO JEAN VANIER  
AND THE L'ARCHE MOVEMENT

In anticipation of Jean Vanier's visit to St. James Cathedral on June 22, you are invited to attend a series of special events related to Jean Vanier and the development of the L'Arche communities for the developmentally disabled. L'Arche (French for "the ark") is a lay-led movement that creates communities with and for people with disabilities.

"In the communities of l'Arche we live and journey together, men and women with disabilities and those who feel called to share their lives with them. We are all learning the pain and joy of community life, where the weakest members open hearts to compassion and lead us into a deeper union with Jesus. We are learning to befriend them, and through and with them, to befriend Jesus" (Jean Vanier).

## BEFRIENDING THE STRANGER: SHARING L'ARCHE STORIES

**Thursday, May 15, 7:30pm, Cathedral Hall**

Learn more about Jean Vanier and L'Arche, how it was developed, what its mission is, and how that mission is lived out here in Seattle. Members of our local community will be present to share their stories and answer questions. It will be a truly inspiring evening you won't want to miss! *Information* Helen Oesterle, 382-4514, [hoesterle@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:hoesterle@stjames-cathedral.org).

## CATHEDRAL BOOK GROUP

**Tuesday, May 27, 7:00pm, Mother Mary Rose Room**

Join in a lively discussion of Jean Vanier's newest book, *Befriending the Stranger*. Through six meditative pieces based on Scripture, Vanier opens up God's invitation to us to create new places of belonging and sharing, of peace and kindness, where each person is loved and accepted. *Befriending the Stranger* is available in the Cathedral Bookstore. All are welcome. *Information*, Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284 or [mLaughlin@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:mLaughlin@stjames-cathedral.org).

## SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL

**Tuesday, June 10, 7:00pm, Room 1EW**

A screening of *The Heart Has Its Reasons*, a film which tells the story of Jean Vanier and of the joys and struggles of daily life in community with mentally and physically handicapped people.

## SAVE THE DATE!

On **Sunday, June 22, 2008, at 7:30pm**, we are privileged to welcome JEAN VANIER to St. James Cathedral. Details TBA, but save the date now!



ST JAMES Cathedral  
By BILL HERB



**THE MOST REVEREND  
Alexander J. Brunett  
ARCHBISHOP OF SEATTLE**

May 1, 2008

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Peace be with you.

Thousands of immigrant workers, most of them with spiritual roots in the Catholic Church, are living and working in the Archdiocese of Seattle in hopes of making a better life for their families. The Catholic Church stands with these newly arriving immigrants, many of whom have been denied their basic human rights because our nation's immigration laws are outdated and unjust.

The Catholic bishops of the United States respect the law. We respect every sovereign nation's right to secure its borders and to regulate immigration for the common good of all citizens. We also respect and pray for the women and men responsible for enforcing the law, but the Church cannot ignore the human needs of the immigrants and their families living among us.

Pope Benedict XVI, in his recent address to the United Nations, reminded all leaders that the "responsibility to protect" is the moral basis for a government's claim to authority. On this moral basis every country must recognize and protect human rights as inalienable to every human person. Laws that fail to protect the human rights and welfare of all people must be questioned, challenged and changed. In solidarity with all immigrants, the Church supports comprehensive reform of U.S. immigration laws that respects the dignity of all human beings.

European immigrants longing for a better life have transformed and reshaped this land into a great nation over the past two centuries. The principles of faith, freedom and democracy that attracted these former immigrants in past centuries are attracting millions of people from all over the world today. As Archbishop, I have a moral duty to extend the hospitality of the Church to all those who have come here in search of a better life for themselves and their families. I have extended the hand of the Church and assured them that they will be welcome in our Catholic parishes, our Catholic schools, our Catholic hospitals and our Catholics social services. I have made it clear that the Church's hospitality does not require documents. The Catholic Church is their home, and they do not need to provide documentation to enter their own house.



I ask that all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Seattle join me in extending hospitality to immigrants in keeping with the words of Scripture: *"If a stranger lives with you in your land, do not molest him. You must count him as one of your own countrymen and love him as yourself—for you were once strangers yourselves in Egypt."* (Leviticus 19:33-34)

The Church is called not only to stand with the stranger in our midst, but to stand against racism and discriminatory practices emanating from anti-immigrant sentiments. On this point, the teaching of the church has been equally clear. Our bishops' pastoral statement on "Faithful Citizenship" states that there are some things we must never do as individuals or as a society because they are always incompatible with the love of God and neighbor. Racism is one of these actions, and there is no place for this intrinsic evil within our community of disciples.

The Church is called to continue the prophetic work of Jesus, and to speak out on behalf of the voiceless even when it may be unpopular to do so. Today, I am asking all Catholic people, parishes and faith communities in the Archdiocese of Seattle to join me in offering hospitality to the immigrants in our midst, to work and pray for comprehensive immigration reform and to become living signs of Christ's hope for the immigrant families who have come here in search of work and a better life.

With warmest regards and wishes, I remain

Your servant in Christ,

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