

St. John the Evangelist Parish

Seattle, Washington

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3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time January 24, 2016

January 25 Monday	January 26 Tuesday	January 27 Wednesday	January 28 Thursday	January 29 Friday	January 30 Saturday	January 31 Sunday
8:30am Mass	8:30am Morning Prayer	8:30am Morning Prayer NO Class Mass	8:30am Mass 9am - 11am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Noon Golden Fellowship Potluck Quigley House Soup and sandwiches provided.	8:30am Morning Prayer	5pm Vigil Mass	8:30am Mass NO Nursery, Pre-school Sunday School, or CLOW 10:30am Mass National Catholic School week begins with the 10:30 Mass.

MASS TIMES

Saturday, Vigil Mass 5pm
Sunday, 8:30 & 10:30 am

Monday thru Friday and 1st Saturdays
Mass or Morning Prayer- 8:30am
Thursday- Adoration 9am-11am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The sacrament of Reconciliation is on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month or by appointment. If you need an appointment for reconciliation, please call the parish office.

FAITH FORMATION

Infant Baptism

Infant Baptisms (up to age 7yrs.) are scheduled 4 times a year at the weekend masses.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples should contact parish office 6-8 months before the wedding date.

Parish Advocate for Annulments

For parishioners seeking a marriage annulment, please contact the parish office or email: annulment@stjohnsea.org

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS*

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Most Sundays; Oct. through May during 10:30 Mass
Children First grade through Fifth grade are invited to attend.

Preschool Sunday School (new location)

October through May during the 10:30 Mass
Children age 4 by Sept. 1st through First grade
Classes held in XDC located in the main school building.

10:30 Mass Nursery

Nursery is in new location in XDC located in the main school building. Children ages 8 months--3 yrs. are welcome.

Nursery is Free!

***NOTE for these programs:** *Weekends that have a Monday holiday or school break times; No Sessions. For more information or questions contact the parish office.*

PARISH OFFICE

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Office Hours 8am-4pm

Closed from noon to one for lunch

Monday ~ Friday

Pastoral Emergency number 206-794-7487

Liturgy

Reflection ~ Ordinary Time

January 24, 2016 Year C
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ezra, the priest, reads the words of the law before the people. They react quite strongly: weeping, prostrate on the ground. The ancient scroll from which Ezra reads is the visible, concrete manifestation of God's love to his people; and as the psalm says, the words of the Lord are "spirit and life." The people react as they do because the word of God proclaimed in the law is powerful and life giving.

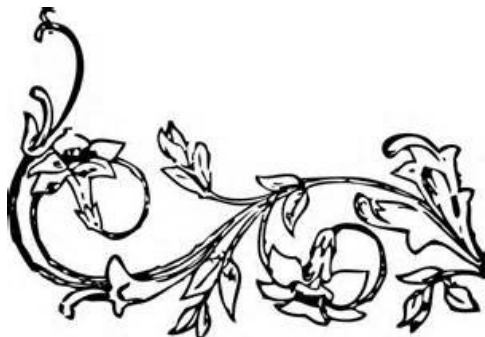
And yet, as powerful and life-giving as the words of the old law are, we are gifted with a new law, the ultimate revelation of God's love to us because words written on a scroll are not enough. Just as words between lovers can never quite communicate the depth of their love for one another, God's eternal word to us in the law, or Scripture, is not the whole story. The story is en-fleshed in Jesus.

Love must be embodied. It is not enough to say, "I love you." Those words must be acted upon. God has acted upon the words of his law. As Jesus says in the Gospel, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." Jesus is the fulfillment of the favor of the Lord God.

Because of that favor, we followers of Jesus are bound together in one body of love. We are many members, united by the living word that Jesus offers us through his real, bodily presence.

Take some time to reflect on the following:

- ◇ *One or two powerful experiences in your life when someone who loved you showed you love-in-action.*
- ◇ *A time when your family or friends acted together to some good end, where cooperation or unity produced something truly beneficial.*



Next Week's readings
The 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 31, 2016 year—Readings C

First Reading **Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19**
The word of the Lord comes to Jeremiah.

Psalm 71 *"I will sing of your salvation."*

Second Reading **1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13**
The greatest of these is love.

Gospel **Luke 4:21-30**
The people rise up to drive Jesus out of their town.

At the beginning of the book of Jeremiah, we hear how God called him to be a prophet; but even more important, we hear how God promises to fortify and support him in his ministry. In the Gospel too, Jesus speaks with confidence, even brashness in his hometown, yet by the grace of God today, is able to escape their wrath. As we listen to these words of God today, let us allow them to give us the courage we need to witness to the gospel in our own lives.

Catholic Cemeteries

We remember and give thanks at our regular Eucharistic celebrations for all of those who have died. All are invited. Unless otherwise noted, all Masses are on Saturday mornings at 10:30 am.

For additional information please call Faye McClain, 253-838-2240 or fmccclain@MyCatholicCemetery.org

Holyrood Cemetery:
Chapel Mausoleum
February 6
10:30 am
205 NE 205th St
Shoreline, WA 98155

Calvary Cemetery:
Chapel Mausoleum
February 20
10:30 am
5041 35th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98105

Misa en Espanol:
Holyrood
Febrero 23
205 NE 205th St,
Shoreline, WA 98155

Misa en Espanol:
Gethsemane,
Febrero 6
5041 35th Ave NE
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Parish Life

(All ministries at St John Parish/School require Safe Environment Training.)

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Collection for week of **January 17, 2016**

Vigil Mass	\$ 1,618.75
8:30am Mass	\$ 2,069.00
10:30am Mass	\$ 1,007.00
Mail in	\$ 1,145.00
Electronic giving	<u>\$ 7,223.68</u>
	\$ 13,063.43

Total Budget for 2014-2015 Sacrificial Giving is \$712,194. Divided by 52 weeks = \$13,696.04 needs to be collected each week.

(This does NOT include restricted donations such as Holy Day Collections, (Christmas and Easter), and donations made to our ministries or coffee & donuts.)

Golden Fellowship Potluck January 28 - Quigley House

Grace will be said at noon.

Soup and sandwiches will be provided. If you would like to bring something - maybe a salad or dessert?

YOUTH GROUP Events coming up.

Think you got game? Show us whatchu got at YG's annual March Madness 3-on-3 basketball tournament! March 19 in the Gym. Prizes go to 1st, 2nd and 3rd-place finishers. Get your team ready, sign-ups will be soon.

Rachel's Corner

Hope and Healing After Abortion

We can help you on a Rachel's Vineyard™ retreat.

March 4-6, 2016 Seabeck, WA

April 15-17, 2016 Stanwood, WA

Call Valerie: 1-800-822-HOPE (4673)

You are loved with an everlasting Love!

Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.

National Catholic Schools Week

Mass will be at 10:30 am Sunday, January 30th followed by an Open House and the Cultural Fair.

Faith Formation News

Preschool Sunday School! Register for Preschool Sunday School for ages 4-5; Classes are held during the 10:30 Mass on Sunday. Children must have had their 4th birthday by Sept. 1, 2015.

The Preschool classrooms are located in the XDC rooms (Extended daycare room in the school building). Please register by completing a form found in the back of the Church or by contacting the Office.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children Grades 1-5 are invited to participate in the Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during 10:30 Mass. No registration is required. Parents are welcome to come with their children.

10:30 Nursery

10:30 Nursery is in the XDC rooms (Extended daycare room in the school building). Children ages 8 months to 3yrs. are welcome. Ring the doorbell to drop off your child.

Heal Your Marriage – Are you frustrated or angry with your spouse? Is it impossible to talk about difficult topics without arguing? Do you feel alone in your marriage? Are you losing hope? There is hope -- it's called Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vī). Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples and can help you too, no matter the source of conflict in your marriage.

For confidential information about, or to register for our upcoming program beginning **Jan 22-24, 2016** call **360-671-6479** or visit our website at: **www.HelpOurMarriage.com**.

What is the Retrouvaille program?

Retrouvaille is Catholic in origin and is endorsed by the Seattle Archdiocese. Retrouvaille is a community of volunteers committed to helping hurting couples heal their marriages. The Retrouvaille program offers couples the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine their lives in a new and positive way. No matter what is causing the hurt, couples can find healing.

Who is it for?

It is for couples with strained marriages, including those in the initial stages of distress, as well as those in a state of hopelessness and considering divorce. While many attendees are Catholic, married couples of all faiths are welcome.



Archbishop Sartain has challenged us to increase our presence in Olympia for Catholic Advocacy Day, Monday February 8th.

This year advocacy day falls especially early in the legislative session. We know it's about a month out, but that's how long it takes to schedule legislative appointments, so **we need you to register as soon as possible** but no later than January 18th.

What you can do:

Register! Go to www.ipjc.org to register or call 206.223.1138 to register by phone if you do not have internet access.

Place this **announcement** in your bulletin *this weekend*

Put **posters** up in spaces where your community will see them (two sizes: 8.5 x 11 in English and Spanish, and 11 x 17 in English and Spanish)

- **Personally invite** those in your community to consider going to Catholic Advocacy Day. Ask a person from your community's **Life, Justice and Peace committee** (if one exists) to assist in organizing people to register and attend CAD using the "Advocacy Tool Kit" found at www.ccsww.org.

If you have any questions or need more materials please feel free to call Sr. Linda at 206.223.1138.

Thank you for considering being with us for this communal witness for justice and life on Catholic Advocacy Day.

In collaboration with the Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center,
your Missions Office

Veronica Fehrenbach, J.L. Drouhard and Kelly Hickman

"Among our tasks as witnesses to the love of Christ is that of giving a voice to the cry of the poor." - Pope Francis

About Us

The Missions Office of the Archdiocese of Seattle serves the people of Western Washington with resources to bring the Good News to the ends of the earth. Our office is the local representative for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and the Pontifical Mission Societies (PMS).

NORTHWEST CATHOLIC COLLECTION
JANUARY 23-24, 2016

The Northwest Catholic is the official publication of the Archdiocese of Seattle, with the mission of proclaiming the Good News of Jesus and to teach, inspire and form disciples who know the Lord and live their faith to the full. It is a powerful tool for evangelization and it's for this reason that the magazine is sent, without cost, to every registered Catholic household in Western Washington.

This is only possible through your generous donations!

There will be envelopes in the pews or you can donate through the Archdiocese of Seattle Northwest Catholic web site:

www.seattlearchdiocese.org/nwcc

You can also use your smart phone's QR reader!



Year of Prayer

Please join the St. John community in making a New Year's resolution to PRAY every day. We introduced the Year of Prayer at masses on January 9th and 10th. If you didn't get a copy of the booklet Inspiring Prayer, pick one up at the doors of the church or in the office. There's also a great chapter on Daily Prayer in the Rediscover Catholicism books given out by St. John's at Christmas masses in 2014.

Jambo Rafikis,

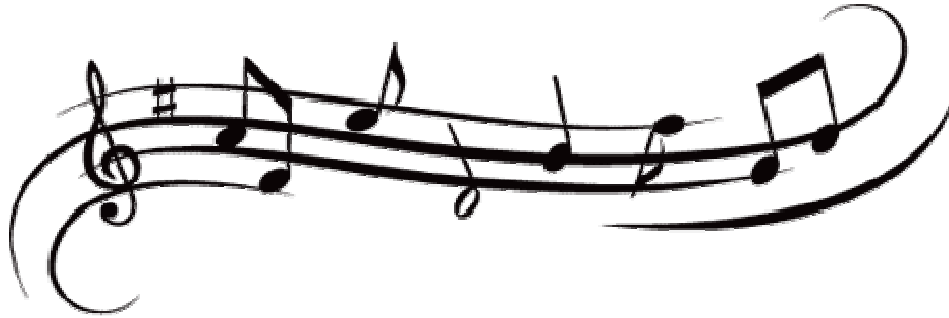
Happy New Year, and God's blessings and guidance to you all and our community in the months to come. I'm away from the parish this weekend, on my annual retreat. I will be praying for all of you during my retreat, as I always do.

I want to let you know about two big events we're going to focus on in 2016 as a parish. First is the Year of Mercy. You have heard about this from Pope Francis, and there are some good articles in Northwest Catholic magazine this month. We are also very proud of our own eighth grade student from St. John School, Manoli Tramountanas, who won the Middle School essay contest, "What does true mercy look like?". His essay is in NW Catholic, and he did very well. We should all read his essay and congratulate him.

Here at St. John, we are also going to focus on Prayer in 2016. We can never express enough the importance of prayer in our faith, spiritual growth and personal relationship with God. One of my major dreams and goals when I came to this parish was to someday, be able to be part of a community that is faith filled, vibrant and prayerful. A faith community where people value prayer succeeds in its plans and goals. And therefore, prayer is not just for priests and religious, and it's not just for one hour on Sunday. Prayer is important for every person, every day. Prayer is the foundation on which we are going to build a vibrant and Spirit-filled parish. So we are going to be talking about prayer a lot this year. We are going to talk about why to pray and how to pray. I hope everyone in the parish will make a New Year's resolution this year to pray every day. And we are going to support you, and help each other, to become a parish that prays. I believe you will feel the power of prayer changing your life, and changing our parish, and that will fill my heart with so much joy for you and for all of us.

*The Lord bless you and keep you in this New Year!
The Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!
The Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!*

Padre Crispin



Jambo Rafikis,

I hope you did have a nice break over the Martin Luther King weekend! I am almost back from my January retreat and, as you remember, I did ask you to take a music survey a while ago. I am happy to share the results with you now. You will find the full report of the survey at the back of the church, in the Parish office or there is a link to the results at the bottom of the landing page on the Parish website. I have waited to hire a replacement to hear the results back from you.

I am very pleased by the results and I believe you may be as well. Please look over the results when you get a chance.

Now I ask you to please share information with me again—to see if we are moving in the direction that all desire. It will take just a few minutes and the results will be to me very quickly. Please share how you are feeling with me at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/f/CurrentMassMusic>

There are also copies of the survey at the back of the church or in the Parish office.

I am excited as we move forward, please let me hear from all of you!

Barak ya Yesu!
(Blessings of Jesus)

Padre Crispin

Please remember the following people who are ill, homebound or need your prayers this week.

Pauline Barrett
Sam Braun
Bill Crisman
Caroline Gallacci
Elaine Gregory
Michael Hilger
Bob & Toni Lasser

Michelle Jackson
Sean Mathison
Matlock Family
Oskar Miranda
Patrick Roberts
Linda Sullivan

For all victim survivors of child sexual abuse, that they may find healing and experience the loving mercy of our Heavenly Father.

For our Armed Forces personnel throughout the world, that they come home safely to their families. We pray to the Lord.

For those who have died, Leonard di Fiore, that they may rest in the healing embrace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray to the Lord.

Stewardship—A Disciples Response

The U.S. bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's readings from 1 Corinthians: "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members—the personal responsibility of each one of us. We are stewards of the Church."

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www.stjohnsea.org and locate the online giving page. Or you can enter: **bit.ly/DonateStJohn** on your web browser.

Do you have a family member or neighbor in or from our parish who would like to stay in touch with the St. John community? In addition to taking Communion to these people we would like to reach out with a phone call or greeting card to say hello and that we are thinking about them. We will also need volunteers.

Please contact Loretta Fletcher 784-3529 or Marion Johnson -782-5084 if you would be interested, or if you know of someone who might enjoy this type of outreach.

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Daily Mass: 5:00 am & 9:00 am Monday - Saturday

Rosary: 1:00 pm every afternoon
8:30 pm every night

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 1:30pm Sunday & Saturday

Virtue of the Month:

Fidelity: Being faithful to promises and commitments.

St. Gianna Molla

(October 4, 1922-April 28, 1962, Italy)

Feast: April 28

"Fidelity expresses constancy in keeping one's



given word. God is faithful." These words from the Catechism of the Catholic Church remind us that because God is faithful to His promises, we can and must be faithful to ours. Like God, we make promises and commitments to others, not to things but to persons. In baptism, God promises us that as His adopted children, we will be able to live our lives on earth in such a way that we can be united to Him forever in heaven. We, in turn, promise to accept the graces He gives us to live as His witnesses in the world. We all know what it's like to make and keep a promise, and to have promises made and kept to us. (and likewise, the pain caused by broken promises.) In response to the tremendous faithfulness of God, we should make our own this declaration of the psalmist: "The Lord is my portion; I have promised to keep (His) words. Psalm 119:57

In 2004, Pope John Paul II canonized Gianna Beretta Molla, a wife, mother, and pediatrician. Gianna's story is rather extraordinary, especially since her husband and children were still living at the time of her canonization.

Gianna Beretta Molla was born in Magenta (Milan), Italy on October 4 1922, the tenth of 13 children. After earning degrees in medicine and surgery from the University of Pavia in 1949, she opened a medical clinic in Mesero in 1950. She was a pediatrician, but gave special attention to mothers, babies, the elderly, and the poor. She considered her work a mission from God and exercised great care in fulfilling her responsibilities.

Gianna became engaged to businessman Pietro Molla, and they were married on September 24, 1955. In November 1956, to her great joy, Gianna became the mother of Pierluigi, followed by the birth of Mariolina the next year and Laura in 1959. She met the demands of mother, wife, doctor, and her passion for life with simplicity and great balance.

In September 1961, towards the end of the second month of pregnancy with her fourth child, Gianna had to make a heroic decision. Physicians diagnosed a serious condition that required surgery. The surgeon suggested that Gianna undergo an abortion in order to save her own life. Gianna replied, "If you must decide between me the child, do not hesitate. Choose the child—I insist upon it. Save the baby."

On the morning of April 21, 1962, her daughter Gianna Emanuela was born. Despite all efforts and treatments to save both of them, the morning of April 28 St. Gianna died. She was 39 years old. On April 24, 1994, Pope John Paul II canonized St Gianna. She continues to remind the Church and world of her commitment to her family and God of her virtue of fidelity, because of her commitment to her family and to God. We are being called to heroism by our choice of life.



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