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*The Thirty-Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL November 14, 2010

ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELLULAR PHONES.

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

PRELUDE

Scherzo
(8:00) *From God I will not turn*

Durufié

Bach

ENTRANCE

The King shall come when morning dawns

MORNING SONG



1. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And
2. Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, To
3. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And
4. And let the end - less bliss be - gin, By
5. The King shall come when morn - ing dawns And



light tri - um - phant breaks, When beau - ty gilds the
suf - fer and to die, But crowned with glo - ry
earth's dark night is past; O haste the ris - ing
wea - ry saints fore - told, When right shall tri - umph
light and beau - ty brings. Hail, Christ, the Lord! your



east - ern hills And life to joy a - wakes.
like the sun That lights the morn - ing sky.
of that morn Whose day shall ev - er last.
o - ver wrong, And truth shall be ex - tolled.
peo - ple pray: Come quick - ly, King of kings.

WELCOMING OF THE CHILDREN TO BE BAPTIZED (Saturday 5:30pm)

PENITENTIAL RITE

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1, 3. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.
2. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

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

(All other Masses)

LAUDA ANIMA

Glory be to God in heaven,
Songs of joy and peace we bring;
Thankful hearts and voices raising,
To creation's Lord we sing:
Lord, we thank you, Lord, we bless you,
Glory be to God our king.

Lamb of God who on your shoulders
Bore the load of this world's sin;
Only Son of God the Father,
You have brought us peace within:
Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy,
Now your glorious reign begin.

You, O Son of God, are holy,
You we praise with one accord;
None in heav'n or earth is like you,
Only you are Christ the Lord,
With the Father, and the Spirit,
Ever worshiped and adored.

(Text by Edwin LeGrice)

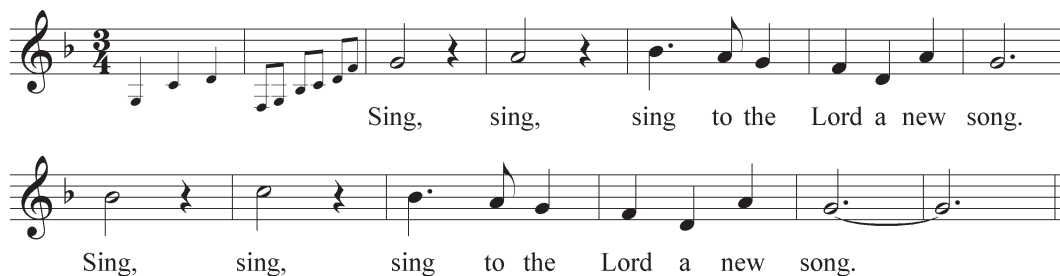
LITURGY OF THE WORD

READINGS [*Malachi 3:19-20a; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19*]

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 98

Proulx



ALLELUIA

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HOMILY

Father Michael G. Ryan (Saturday 5:30pm)
Father Peter Ely, SJ (all other Masses)

DISMISSAL OF THE CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES (10:00)

CREED No. 238

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

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RITE OF BAPTISM (Saturday 5:30pm)

INTERCESSIONS AND LITANY OF SAINTS No. 827

BLESSING OF BAPTISMAL WATER

PROFESSION OF FAITH *All join in the response, I do.*

ACCLAMATION FOLLOWING EACH BAPTISM

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SPRINKLING WITH BAPTISMAL WATER

Hurd



ENTRANCE OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

EXPLANATORY RITES

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO DROP YOUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING PLEDGE CARD IN THE BASKET TODAY! If you forgot to bring your form, additional copies are available in the pews and chairs in front of you. *With your help, we can close the gap in our budget.* Thank you for all the ways you support this Cathedral parish.

(10:00)

“Truly I tell you” from *Inscriptions of St. James*

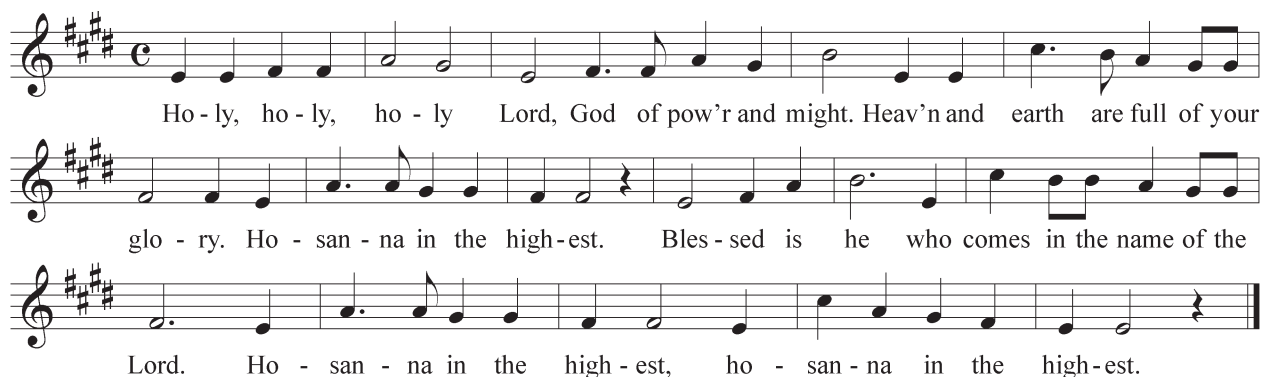
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Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.

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AMEN

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LORD'S PRAYER No. 246

AGNUS DEI

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Response 1, 2



Response 3



COMMUNION

Amen, I say to you, whatever you ask in your prayers,
believe that you shall receive it, and it shall be granted unto you.

(10:00)

Ubi caritas

Allain

When you return to your seat 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

Now thank we all our God

NUN DANKET



PROCESSION

“Toccata” from *Suite for Organ*
(8:00) *Prelude and Fugue in G Major, BWV 541*

Duruflé

Bach

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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.

"TAIZÉ" ECUMENICAL PRAYER, Fridays at 6:30 pm.

TOURS of the CATHEDRAL Wednesdays at 1:00 pm, June through August. 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

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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 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 IN THE CATHEDRAL are from the Saturday wedding of Michelle Lim and Ben Woyvodich.

THE CATHEDRAL ESPRESSO CART is up and running! Your friendly Cathedral baristas will be serving espresso drinks after the 10:00 Mass. *During the month of November, all proceeds will benefit the Cathedral Kitchen.* If you are interested in becoming a Cathedral barista, please call Sean and Katherine Berry at 206-571-6868. Training is provided!

STOP BY THE CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE after Mass today and pick up a Sunday Missal for the coming liturgical year. Books, gifts, and much more!

WELCOME, ARCHBISHOP SARTAIN Since the appointment of Archbishop J. Peter Sartain as our new archbishop, we have had a special place of prayer for him in the Cathedral, near the Cathedra (bishop's chair). We have added a book in which you can write directly to him, letting him know of your prayer and support as he prepares to assume weighty responsibilities as our new archbishop. We plan to present him with this book when he arrives at the beginning of December. Please stop by to offer a prayer and write a message to Archbishop Sartain.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY ORGANIST AT ST. JAMES St. James continues the celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Rosales East Apse organ with James O'Donnell, Organist and Master of the Choristers of Westminster Abbey, on Friday, November 19, at 8:00 pm. Suggested donation \$15 students and seniors pay as able. *Information* www.stjames-cathedral.org/music, or 206-382-4874.

MONTEVERDI 1610 VESPERS Friday & Saturday, December 3 & 4, 8:00 pm Commemorating the 400th year of the publication of this collection, St. James Cathedral with Pacific Musicworks and the Early Music Guild present Seattle's first period performance of this immortal masterpiece. Stephen Stubbs directs an all-star ensemble of vocal soloists and instrumentalists with special guests from Seattle Baroque Orchestra and Italy's Concerto Palatino. Parishioners may obtain reserved passes by contacting the Cathedral Music Office, 206-382-4874, or musicoffice@stjames-cathedral.org.

PARISH REMEMBRANCE *Throughout the year, because we are the Cathedral Church, we remember in prayer at Mass and Vespers each of the parishes and missions of the Archdiocese of Seattle on a Sunday near their feast day. This week we remember in prayer the parishes of St. Frances Cabrini in Tacoma, and St. Margaret in Seattle.*

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY—INTRODUCTION TO THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

Beginning the first Sunday of Advent our Church transitions to the Gospel according to Matthew (from Luke). Join us on *Monday*, November 29, and *Tuesdays*, December 7, and 14 from 1:00-3:00pm or 7:00-9:00pm in Cathedral Place, 2nd floor, as we reflect upon Matthew's key themes and how they are applicable to our lives today. No Bible experience necessary. *Information*, Helen Oesterle, 206-382-4514, hoesterle@stjames-cathedral.org

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Just as we celebrate Thanksgiving by gathering together with family, why not celebrate your marriage by attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend? It's a positive, simple, common-sense, private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes your marriage. Make your reservations now! Upcoming Weekends: December 3-5 and February 25-27. *Information and registration*, John and Martha Ryland, 253-859-9174, jmryland@comcast.net; or Rory and Dawn Myers, 206-772-2344, seattlewwme@yahoo.com

YOUNG ADULTS "WARM HEARTS AND SOLES"

7th annual Advent sock drive for homeless men begins Sunday, November 28. Let's get it off to a great start and see what an impact we can make toward the goal of 2011 pairs of socks for delivery in January 2011. Drop off new socks at the Young Adult table in Cathedral Hall after 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00 Sunday Masses in Advent, or during the week at 2nd floor Cathedral Place. Let's keep those hearts and soles warm this winter! *Information* youngadults@stjames-cathedral.org or TerryAnn Bowen 206-382-2018.

YOUNG ADULTS (21 - 30-SOMETHING) 3RD SUNDAY

Scripture sharing and informal social time will be next Sunday, November 21 starting at 4:00pm. Do you ever wonder how the Sunday readings relate to our everyday lives? Enjoy fellowship from 4:00 to 4:30 followed by guided discussion of the Scripture readings for the day. The discussion will finish in time to attend 5:30 Mass. Young adults over the age of 21, single or married, gather in the Fireside Room of the Pastoral Outreach Center. All are welcome! *Information* youngadults@stjames-cathedral.org or TerryAnn Bowen, 206-382-2018.

PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE YOUR FAITH IS

Mark your calendar for our annual Advent Bazaar and Fair Trade Fair on Sunday, December 5, during coffee hours. This is a great opportunity to purchase alternative gifts for Christmas giving, to support artists and craft makers both locally and around the world, and to learn about the fair trade movement. *Information*, Patty Bowman, 382-4515, pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org.

MEDIEVAL MUSIC FROM NOTRE-DAME, PARIS

Saturday, December 11, 8:00 pm Medieval Women's Choir, a Cathedral Resident Ensemble, Margriet Tindemans, Director, presents medieval music for the season. *Information and reserved seating*, www.medievalwomenschoir.org or 206 781 2766.

CROSSING BORDERS This winter, we will again be offering an eight-week course on Catholic social teaching on immigration. Through readings, discussion and prayer we will open ourselves to being informed, formed, and transformed on this topic. Weekly sessions will take place Monday, January 17 through Monday, March 7 from 6:30-9:00 pm in the Pastoral Outreach Center. Please plan to attend all eight sessions. While there is no class fee, the cost for books and materials is \$50. Scholarships are available. Registration with payment is required by Monday, December 13.

Information and registration, Christopher Koehler at 206-382-45151 or at ckoehler@stjames-cathedral.org.

NEED PASTORAL CARE? The Cathedral provides a variety of such ministries. Whether you are sick or homebound and in need of communion, whether you would like a CD of Sunday's Mass, or if you need the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we can help! *Information* John Simpson, Pastoral Care Minister, 206-274-3173, jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org.

PRAYER WITH MUSIC FROM TAIZÉ Each Friday at 6:30 pm in the Cathedral, all are invited to join in an ecumenical service of readings, silence, candlelight, and the music of the ecumenical community of Taizé in France. This simple, reflective prayer is the perfect way to end a busy week.

WELCOME, PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN We support all of our parishioners who are attending Mass with young children and we welcome those children into our midst. If you find that your child needs a quiet place away from the stimulation of the Mass, please feel free to step into the west vestibule or the cathedral chapel, where we have provided a sound system so that you can continue to participate in the Mass. We appreciate your effort to be with us and to include your child in our worship. *Please note that babysitting is available in the Mother Cabrini Room at the Pastoral Outreach Center during the 10:00 am and 12 Noon Masses.*

Sacrificial Giving 2011

A huge **thank you** to all who have already turned in your pledge for 2011. **Please drop your commitment card in the offering basket today.** If you have never made a Sacrificial Giving pledge before, please consider doing so this year. Your support is *urgently needed* as the parish faces a deficit in the coming year. We still have a long way to go!

Results through Sunday, November 7, 2010:

Total pledges received259
Number of those who increased their pledge
to help bridge the deficit.....154
% participation (out of 2,388 households). 10.8%
Participation goal..... 100%

The following is extracted from Father Ryan's homily last Sunday. Due to the importance of the subject matter, it is reprinted for the benefit of those who may not have been able to be here.

Let me be honest: it's difficult, during a time of a protracted economic downturn when some of you are out of work and many of you have suffered -- and continue to suffer -- significant financial setbacks, to talk to you about your giving. Many of you have shared your stories and your challenges with me, and the last thing I want is to come across as insensitive or out-of-touch. So, it is difficult, but I feel a certain confidence about my task. Let me tell you why.

I feel confident because you are people of faith and you care about what's really important in life.

I feel confident because you know where your blessings come from -- not from yourselves but from God, and that what you have is entrusted to you by God, not to be hoarded or hidden away, but to be used wisely and shared generously.

I feel confident because I have the advantage of having known you for a long time -- some of you for well over 20 years now -- and I know that you love this Cathedral and this parish and that you want it to continue to be a beacon on this hill and a welcoming home to everyone who comes here.

I feel confident to ask you to renew your annual sacrificial giving pledge -- or to make a pledge this year for the first time -- because I believe that if God has blessed you with considerable financial resources, you will want to share them, and that if God has not so blessed you, you will still find a way to give from your want, from your poverty, like the poor widow of the gospel.

My friends, these are hard times for many of you, and they are hard times for our parish, too. As the government cuts back on social services, we all know that it's the poor who are especially hard hit, and more and more of them turn to us for help. They come to us for food, for shelter, for a handout; they come to us to learn a new language in a new land and to adjust to a new culture; they come to us for companionship, counsel, guidance and encouragement. Thanks to the generosity of many of you -- and not just your generous gift of money, but your time and talent, too -- we are able to be there for these people in all kinds of ways. But we are falling behind. Over the past several years, while demand has increased and our expenses have grown, our income has remained relatively stagnant. Were it not for some generous bequests, we would never have gotten by. But it's pretty chancy to count on bequests!

This year, we are facing a very large deficit, and you know as well as I that there are only two ways to deal with this: we can cut programs -- which really means cutting staff because nearly all our great programs, while rich in volunteers, are planned by staff, organized by staff, and led by staff. We have a great staff, as you know, and they work overtime, but I can assure you that they aren't overpaid! Cutting staff would mean diminishing who we are as a parish and what we do here. But it is one solution. The other is for those of us who can, to step forward and increase our Sunday giving --

increase it significantly, if possible; and for those of us who have been token or casual givers -- and this is a number too large to count -- to become sacrificial givers! If this happens we will resolve our deficit problem.

This is heavy stuff! Do I dare attempt a little humor at this point? I'll chance it. A priest got up in the pulpit one Sunday and told his people: I've got good news for you and bad. The good news is that we have more than enough money to meet our needs. The bad news is that it's still in your pockets!

My friends, all humor aside, I need to be very frank with you -- frank about my deep concern that while many of you have gotten the sacrificial giving message and taken it to heart, too many have not. And I'm not talking about people on modest, fixed incomes who are understandably limited in what they can give. I'm talking about people who are doing reasonably well financially -- or even very well -- yet who continue to give at the same level they've given for years -- a level that really isn't sacrificial and sometimes borders on the token. I have no way of knowing who you are, but you do, and to you I am making this very direct and earnest request: **please search your hearts and your consciences to see whether a dollar or two or a casual check -- or even a large check if it's not in proportion to your means--thrown in the basket is truly sacrificial or in any sense proportionate to what you spend on other things. Does your contribution reflect the value you place on your faith and on this community?**

Sacrificial giving means giving in faith -- and it is not so much about the amount as it is about the sacrifice. If it costs you to give -- really costs you -- then your gift will be worthy of you and, more importantly, it will be worthy to be offered to God, because that's what your gift is: it's your offering to God. Why else would we carry it to the altar along with the bread and wine at Mass? It's a sacred thing and a serious thing.

My friends, all the things you love about this great parish depend on your generosity: beginning with this beautiful Cathedral itself, the glorious liturgies, the music, the Sunday school classes for our kids, the Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, and marriage preparation programs, the RCIA program, Welcome Back, all the adult education classes, the incredible outreach programs including the Cathedral Kitchen, the homeless shelter, the ESL program, the Solanus Casey Center, the outreach programs to the elderly and homebound, and so many more. If you go over to Cathedral Hall after Mass, you will see for yourself all the ministries you make possible by your donations and your volunteering. It's pretty incredible! And I don't think you want any of it to stop. In fact, there are so many more things we could and really should be doing, as we are learning from the survey that several hundred of you recently filled out!

Dear friends, it's in your hands. It's in the hands of all of us. God has put it there. It's a good thing we are doing here at St. James. A great thing. And with God's help and yours -- we will keep doing it!

Father Michael G. Ryan

A New Shepherd for Seattle

On December 1, 2010, Archbishop-Elect J. Peter Sartain will be installed as the Ninth Bishop, Fifth Archbishop of Seattle. All are welcome to attend the installation liturgies, Tuesday, November 30 at 7:00pm, and Wednesday, December 1 at 2:00pm. *This is the fourth in a series of inserts exploring the history of the bishops who have ministered here for the past 160 years.*

A WISE MAN FROM THE EAST

When Bishop Edward O'Dea died on Christmas Day, 1932, he had led the Church in Seattle for 37 years. He wasn't just *a* bishop; he was *the* bishop. The rain and clouds of a Northwest winter that marked his funeral day seemed to portend a gloomy future.

It would be several months before a successor to Bishop O'Dea was named. During this period—called the *sede vacante*, or “empty chair”—one-time Cathedral pastor Msgr. William Noonan served as administrator of the diocese. As always, speculation was rife about who O'Dea's successor might be. Seattle priests had their hopes set on Bishop John O'Shea, a Maryknoll missionary serving in China. Few Seattleites had even heard of Father Gerald Shaughnessy, SM.

Shaughnessy was a thoroughly east coast man, born in Massachusetts in 1887. He attended public schools and then graduated from Boston College, later entering the Marists (he proudly retained his religious initials, “S. M.,” even after he became a bishop). He was ordained at the then rather late age of 33, and in 1925 completed his doctorate. (His dissertation, which studied the retention of the Catholic faith among immigrant populations in the U.S., was later published under the title, *Has the Immigrant Kept the Faith?*) He also worked in the office of the Apostolic Delegate (the Pope's representative in the United States), and taught courses at Catholic University. Shaughnessy was happy in his work as a bureaucrat and academic, and looked forward to a long career in the capital.

But that was not to be. On July 3, 1933, he received word that Pope Pius XI had named him Bishop of Seattle. His first reaction was alarm. “You will forgive me for writing in English, [rather than Latin],” he said in a letter to the Father General of his order. “As it is I can hardly think even in that language when I contemplate my appointment to Seattle.” He had never been to Seattle—the closest he had come was a visit to California and a short stint as a teacher in Anaconda, Montana. To leave his beloved Marist community and take up residence and leadership among total strangers was a frightening prospect. And yet there was hope as well. “I have to



Above: a formal portrait captures the keen gaze of Gerald Shaughnessy, the fourth bishop of Seattle.

Below: “What’s the furthest place you’ve got? Seattle!” Shaughnessy treasured this clipping from the comic strip, “Joe Palooka.”

believe that God has led the Holy Father to choose me for this work; and I cannot doubt that God will give me the necessary grace if I but try at least in some small measure to deserve it.” As a faithful servant to the Church, Shaughnessy accepted the new assignment. It is no accident that he chose for his episcopal motto the single word, *Fiat*, for he had struggled to echo Mary’s “yes” to God.

Shaughnessy was consecrated a bishop in the crypt of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on September 19, 1933, and then headed west for his solemn installation on October 10, 1933—he would be the first of our bishops to be installed at St. James Cathedral. Msgr. Noonan, with Msgr. Stafford, the Cathedral's pastor, planned a series of events which would demonstrate to the new bishop that though far away, Seattle was very far from provincial. Everything was planned with care, from the music for the Mass (the incomparable Cathedral choir of men and boys), to the menu for the banquet (which started with “Pamplemousse Supreme” and ended with “Glace Jubilaire”). There were delegations to greet him at train stations all across the state. Upon his arrival at King Street Station, he was taken directly to the Cathedral, which

was packed with children from across the diocese, who joyfully welcomed him and received his first blessing.

Throughout the events, joyful as they were, Bishop O'Dea cast a long shadow. He was impossible to replace, and difficult to follow. “His holy life, his intelligent, incessant devotion to duty are fresh in the memory of all,” said Msgr. Noonan at the opening reception for the new bishop. “Among the brightest pages in the history of the Catholic Church in America, must ever be those in which glitters the name of Edward John O'Dea!”

Bishop Shaughnessy had big shoes to fill, and many daunting challenges ahead of him. His meticulous administration and careful leadership would carry the Diocese of Seattle through the years of depression and war.

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