



Today in Rome, Pope Francis canonizes two new saints:
Saint John XXIII and Saint John Paul II

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
The Second Sunday of Easter

“Divine Mercy Sunday”
April 27, 2014

ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR
The Second Sunday of Easter

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:00am)
 FIRST SUNDAY YOUTH CELEBRATION ON DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (Noon)


THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

PRELUDE


All glory be to God on high, BWV 664
 Bach

ENTRANCE

Introit for the Second Sunday of Easter
 ST. ANNE



Antiphon 1. As new - born in - fants long for milk, We
 Psalm 81 2. A loud shout raise to Ja - cob's God, Re -
 3. Blow on the ram's horn on our feast, The
 4. When Jo - seph came from E - gypt, he Re -
 5. "I am the Lord who brought you out Of
 Antiphon 6. As new - born in - fants long for milk, We



seek our heav'n - ly food, Which strength - ens, gives e -
 joice in God our King; Sound tim - brels, pluck the
 full moon and the new; This is a law of
 ceived the sol - emn charge. A great voice said, "I
 E - gypt and I said, If now you o - pen
 seek our heav'n - ly food, Which strength - ens, gives e -



ter - nal life; O taste, the Lord is good.
 mer - ry harp, And play the lyre and sing.
 Ja - cob's God And Is - rael's stat - ute, too.
 eased your load, And set your feet at large."
 wide your mouth, You will be tru - ly fed."
 ter - nal life; O taste, the Lord is good.

RITE OF SPRINKLING WITH BAPTISMAL WATER

Vidi aquam
 Schubert, adapted



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



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

WELCOMING OF THE CHILDREN TO BE BAPTIZED (10:00)

GLORIA

Schubert

f *p*

Glo-ry, glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to
 Lord Je-sus Christ, On - ly be - got - ten Son, Lord God,
 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly one, you a - lone

f

peo - ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we
 Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the sins of the world, have
 are the Lord. You a - lone are the Most High, Je - - - sus

p

glo - ri - fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord
 mer - cy on us; you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our
 Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit in the glo - ry of

f

God, heav - en - ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.
 prayer; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer - cy on us.
 God the Fa - - - ther. A - - - men. A - men.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 2:42-47

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 118

Proulx

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

SECOND READING

I Peter 1:3-9

EASTER SEQUENCE **Please remain seated**

Christians, to the Paschal victim
chant

ALLELUIA

Palestrina/Monk

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

GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

HOMILY

Father Michael G. Ryan

PROFESSION OF FAITH

**I believe in one God,
 the Father almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
 the Only Begotten Son of God,
 born of the Father before all ages.
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,**

begotten, not made,
 consubstantial with the Father;
 through him all things were made.
 For us men and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven,

[ALL BOW]

and by the Holy Spirit
 was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
 and became man.

[ALL STAND UPRIGHT]

For our sake he was crucified
 under Pontius Pilate,
 he suffered death and was buried,
 and rose again on the third day
 in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory
 to judge the living and the dead
 and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
 who with the Father and the Son
 is adored and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy,
 catholic and apostolic Church.
 I confess one Baptism
 for the forgiveness of sins
 and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE RITE OF BAPTISM (10:00am)

INTERCESSIONS AND LITANY OF SAINTS Schubert



Lord, hear our pray - er.

THANKSGIVING OVER BLESSED WATER Herbolsheimer, adapt.



Bless - ed be God!

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

ACCLAMATION FOLLOWING THE BAPTISM Proulx



Cantor *ALL*

| | |
|-------------------------------|--|
| 1. God _____ is ___ light: | in God there is no dark-ness. |
| 2. God _____ is ___ love; | all those who live in love, live in God. |
| 3. Bless - ed be ___ God, | who chose you in Christ Je - sus. |
| 4. You are God's work of art, | who chose you in Christ Je - sus. |

SPRINKLING WITH BAPTISMAL WATER **Alleluia, alleluia!** Hurd

ENTRANCE OF THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

EXPLANATORY RITES

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

Offertory (10:00 ☩ Noon)

My soul proclaims the goodness of the Lord
 Charpentier

SANCTUS

German Mass

Schubert, adapt. Proulx

mp
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.____
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.____
f 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. *mp*
f 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

Schubert, adapt. Proulx

When we eat this Bread____ and drink this Cup,____
 we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til____ you____ come a-gain.

AMEN

Schubert, adapt. Proulx

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

LORD'S PRAYER No. 246

AGNUS DEI

Schubert, adapt. Proulx

℞ 1, 2 Have mer - cy on____ us.

℞ 3 Give____ us____ your peace.

COMMUNION

Stretch forth your hand, and feel the place where the nails were, alleluia;
 and be not doubtful but believing, alleluia, alleluia.

(10:00 ☞ Noon)

God protects Israel his servant
 Charpentier


When you return to your place after receiving 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 sons and daughters

O FILII ET FILIAE


Refrain



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




1. O sons and daughters, let us sing!
4. That night the apostles met in fear;
5. When Thomas, first the tidings heard,
6. "My wound-ed side, O Thomas, see;
7. No longer Thomas then de-nied,
8. How blest are they who have not seen,



The King of heav'n, the glorious King,
A - midst them came their Lord most dear,
How they had seen the risen, Lord,
Be - hold my hands, my feet," said he,
He saw the feet, the hands, the side;
And yet whose faith has con - stant been,

D.C.



O'er death to - day rose tri - umph - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
And said, "My peace be on all here." Al - le - lu - ia!
He doubt - ed the dis - ci - ples' word. Al - le - lu - ia!
"Not faith - less, but be - liev - ing be." Al - le - lu - ia!
"You are my Lord and God," he cried. Al - le - lu - ia!
For they e - ter - nal life shall win. Al - le - lu - ia!

DISMISSAL



Thanks be to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PROCESSION

Fugue in E-flat Major, BWV 552

Bach

At all Masses, except Noon, the procession will leave the Cathedral via the north aisle to pray at the Shrine of Saint John XXIII and Saint John Paul II on this day of their canonization in Rome.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET (Noon)

Immediately following the Mass, Cathedral parishioners will lead the assembly in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which uses regular rosary beads (see the special page in this bulletin for the prayers). **If you do not choose to stay for this brief devotion, please leave as quietly as possible.**

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 2014

The “Divine Mercy” devotions, which have spread worldwide, began with a series of apparitions of Christ to a Polish nun, Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938). Christ appeared to St. Faustina on February 22, 1931. In her diary, later published under the title *Divine Mercy in My Soul*, the saint wrote: “I saw Jesus dressed in a white garment. He held one hand in blessing and the other hand was touching his garment at the breast. From under the garment came two rays of light, one red the other pale.” From this vision came the image of the Divine Mercy. The words of Christ to St. Faustina have formed the basis for the Divine Mercy devotions, which are a call to trust in the love and mercy of Christ, and to show mercy towards others, by faithfully carrying out the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. The devotion takes many forms, especially the chaplet—a sequence of prayers offered on regular rosary beads—and the novena, which concludes on the Sunday after Easter.

The devotion which began in an obscure Polish convent has since spread all over the world. It was briefly



suppressed in 1959, but received official Vatican sanction on April 15, 1978. Pope John Paul II, who had a great devotion to Christ under the title of the Divine Mercy, declared the Second Sunday of Easter “Divine Mercy Sunday” for the entire Church.

When John Paul II consecrated the Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Krakow in 2002, he offered this prayer:

*God, merciful Father,
in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have
revealed your love
and poured it out upon us in the Holy
Spirit, the Comforter,
We entrust to you today the destiny
of the world and of every man and
woman.
Bend down to us sinners,
heal our weakness,
conquer all evil,
and grant that all the peoples
of the earth
may experience your mercy.*

*In You, the Triune God,
may they ever find the source of hope.
Eternal Father,
by the Passion and Resurrection of your Son,
have mercy on us and upon the whole world! Amen.*

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

The Chaplet is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades.

Introductory Prayers—

- ◆ Our Father
- ◆ Hail Mary
- ◆ The Apostle's Creed

Leader: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

ALL: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

On the large bead before each decade:

Leader: Eternal Father,
I offer you the Body and Blood,
Soul and Divinity,
of Your Dearly Beloved Son,
Our Lord, Jesus Christ,

ALL: in atonement for our sins
and those of the whole world.

On the ten small beads of each decade:

Leader: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion,
ALL: have mercy on us and on the whole world.

At the conclusion of the chaplet, the following is said three times:

Leader: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One,
ALL: have mercy on us and on the whole world.

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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. Groups of 4 or more may arrange a tour by calling Corinna Laughlin, 206-622-3559

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

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.*

DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION Sunday, April 27 is Divine Mercy Sunday. This year, we have special reason to celebrate God's mercy as we mark the canonization of two Popes of recent times: John XXIII and John Paul II. Following the 12 Noon Mass, Cathedral young people will lead the Divine Mercy chaplet, a favorite devotion of John Paul II. Mass will be followed by a special reception in Cathedral Place Hall, with foods from around the world, and egg decorating and games for kids. All are welcome.

FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION AND HOLY HOUR This coming Friday, May 2, Exposition will begin at 12 Noon with the Holy Hour, because of a special Mass with O'Dea High School in the morning. We apologize for any inconvenience.

CATHEDRAL KITCHEN GARDEN Spring is here, and we're underway with planting in our new Cathedral Kitchen Garden. We are still looking for volunteers to help with planting, weeding, watering, and other tasks. No gardening experience necessary. It's a lot of fun, and a great way to meet people. To volunteer, contact garden@mylifeinseattle.com.

SCREENING FOR MEMORY LOSS This program is designed to provide information about memory, how it changes as we age, and how to recognize changes that may signal a problem. The more you know about memory and how it works, the better equipped you'll be to recognize a problem if it arises. Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at 7:00, Cathedral Place. *Information*, John Simpson, jsimpson@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-274-3173.

THE NEXT SENIOR TRIP will be Wednesday, May 14. We will visit Wolf Haven International. They rescue and provide sanctuary for displaced and captive-born wolves. Learn about wolves and the work to promote wolf restoration as well as efforts to protect our remaining wild wolves and their habitat. Please join us! 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.

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. Mark in Shoreline and Our Lady of Good Counsel Mission in Eatonville.*

YOUTH MINISTRY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE CATHEDRAL YOUTH on retreat this weekend at Camp Killoqua in Stanwood. They are reflecting on how to incorporate Pope Francis' *Joy of the Gospel* into their daily lives and our youth ministry community.

YOUTH NIGHTS Every Sunday evening from 6:30 – 8:30 PM in the Pastoral Outreach Center. Now open to ALL youth in grades 7-12. Youth Nights will help you apply your faith to everyday life.

QUESTIONS? Joe Cotton, 206-264-2082
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IMMIGRANT ASSISTANCE VOLUNTEER INFORMATION SESSION St. James ministry to immigrants and refugees provides clients with a range of services from help improving English language skills to help passing the US citizenship exam; from learning how to adjust immigration status to becoming more engaged in the broader community or finding resources to address other needs. Learn how you can serve in this ministry at our upcoming Volunteer Information Session on Monday, May 12, from 5:00pm-6:30pm (Pastoral Outreach Center, Mother Cabrini Room; courtyard entrance on the SE corner of 9th & Columbia). At this gathering you can learn more about our services, learn the variety of roles that volunteers play, have a chance to ask questions of staff, current volunteers, and clients. Our current volunteer openings include Advisory Board members, bi-lingual Cultural Navigators, and experienced ESL Instructors. *Information*, Cecilia Erin Walsh at 206-382-4511 or cwalsh@stjames-cathedral.org.

PLAY BALL! St. James Young Adults are gearing up for another season of summer softball. The season runs June through August with games on either Monday or Thursday nights. We had a great season last year and have been anticipating the season's start all winter. This is a great way to get involved in the St. James Young Adult Community and to meet new friends. Players of all skills levels are welcome! Registration forms are available on the St. James website or by emailing Caitlin Lanigan, clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org.

INTENTIONAL SERVICE! JESUIT VOLUNTEER ENCORPS (JV ENCORPS), a program of JVC Northwest, is excited to announce our pilot year in Seattle. JV EnCorps is a faith-based volunteer program for people 50 and older. Participants engage in 5-10 hours per week of transformative service at local nonprofits. During their ten months of volunteer service, participants meet together regularly in community, deepen their spirituality, and explore the values of simple living, social and ecological justice. Applications available through June 30. *Information*, Helen Pitts, 206-305-8911, JVESeattle@jvcnorthwest.org or visit <http://jvencorps.org> to apply.

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY

WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN NAVIGATING THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM: Sunday, May 4, 11:00am, Gallagher Center. During this one hour session, attorney Julianne Kocer will discuss Guardianship, Life Care Planning, Special Needs Trusts and what you can do to avoid problems and ensure quality care. Don't miss this special informative meeting!

NEW SUPPORT GROUP! Monthly support group at St. James starting May 31 for family members and caregivers of men and women age 18 to 45 with debilitating mental illnesses who meet the following criteria: never convicted of a felony, not active substance abusers, able to work or volunteer on a regular basis and are amenable to medications. The purpose of this group is to support each other and explore alternative options for needs of loved ones such as housing and community activities. *Information*, mindfulalternative@gmail.com.

CHRONIC DISEASE SELF-MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CDSMP) coming to the St. James community! Attend an informational meeting on Tuesday, May 20, 10:00-11:30am at Cabrini Senior Housing, 909 Boren Avenue. Learn strategies on how to develop a healthier lifestyle that supports overall wellness in the face of chronic conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, chronic pain, depression, etc. Program runs for six Tuesdays beginning June 3, 10-11:30am.

YOUNG ADULTS "FIRST FRIDAYS" On the first Friday of every month join St. James Young Adults at Taizé. Following Taizé we go out for dinner on Capitol Hill. It is a great way to unwind from the work week and to meet other Catholics in their 20's and 30's. Join us in May on Friday the 2nd in the Cathedral at 6:30pm. *Information*, Caitlin Lanigan, clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org.

Sacred Steps

Sacramental Celebrations at St. James

CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD'S BLESSINGS to those who were baptized, confirmed, and received their First Communion at the great Easter Vigil on Saturday, April 19: *Tony Combs, Yong Luu, Jaydee Ocon, Patrick Fields, and Kawika Ramat.* We welcome with joy these newest members of the family of faith.

REST IN PEACE Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Marcia Rosellini* and *Jack Neal*.

Holy Things, Holy People

Exploring Catholic history in the Northwest through treasures from the past

PART 8: THE BELL OF OUR LADY OF GOOD HELP CHURCH

27 APRIL 2014

Seattle's pioneer priest, Father F. X. Prefontaine, is memorialized in Prefontaine Place, a rather untidy triangle in the Pioneer Square district, with a fountain that is seldom turned on. All but forgotten today, Father Prefontaine was famous in Seattle's early days. He was not only Seattle's pioneer priest: he was one of Seattle's pioneers, who, alongside the likes of the Yeslers and Dennys, helped to transform the settlement into a city.

Francis Xavier Prefontaine was born in Longueuil, Quebec, in 1838. He was ordained in 1863 and just three weeks later set out to join Bishop Blanchet in Vancouver. Though Prefontaine spoke almost no English, he agreed to preach in English when the Catholics at Fort Stevens begged for some instruction in their own language. The following Sunday, the church was packed. Father Prefontaine gave his homily—"perspiring copiously during its delivery," he later remarked—only to be told afterwards that not a word of it was intelligible! Within two years Prefontaine was fluent not only in English, but also in Chinook jargon, and proved to be a remarkably effective communicator.

Soon, Bishop Blanchet assigned Prefontaine to Puget Sound. The vast territory for which he was responsible required much travel in wild conditions, and Father Prefontaine later loved to recount some of the dangers he had faced in those early days. On one occasion, he set up camp only to be flooded by rising water in the middle of the night. Climbing to higher ground, he settled down and slept. Only on waking did he find that he had passed the night in an Indian burial ground. On another occasion, two Native Americans urgently sought his assistance for what he understood to be a funeral. Only upon his arrival did he discover that he was to preside not a funeral, but at a wedding, which was disrupted when shots were fired through the window by a jilted lover—not an unheard-of occurrence in those days, since women were few and prospective bridegrooms were many!

In December, 1867, Prefontaine made his first visit to Seattle. It was an unprepossessing settlement at that time—of the 600 inhabitants, just ten were Catholic, and only three of those attended the Mass he offered on Sunday. Bishop Blanchet discouraged Father Prefontaine, famously dismissing Seattle as "a lost cause," but the young priest persevered. He made lifelong friends among the pioneers of Seattle and used his own money to purchase a plot of land at 3rd and Washington for a church. To save money, he cleared the ground with his own hands, and was himself the "superintending architect, carpenter, painter and decorator," as an early biography describes it. The Church of Our Lady of Good Help was completed in the fall of 1870. A year or two later, Father Prefontaine proudly hung a bronze bell in the church tower, cast by the Troy Bell Foundry of New York.



The original bell of Our Lady of Good Help Church hangs high in the Cathedral's south tower. Unlike the peal of six bells installed in 1994, which are controlled by a computer, the Our Lady of Good Help bell can still be rung only by hand.

Meanwhile, Prefontaine proved triumphantly right about Seattle. It grew slowly at first, but then exponentially. Between 1880 and 1890, the population leapt from 3,533 to 42,837—an increase of 1125.5%! Father Prefontaine was ready for the change. In 1877, he purchased an old soap factory, which the ever-resourceful Sisters of Providence converted into a hospital. In 1880, he invited the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary to open a school for girls in Seattle, and thus Holy Names Academy was established. In 1891, he started a school for boys which he soon handed over to the Jesuits—the beginnings of Seattle University.

Growth had other consequences, too. An economic recession in the 1880s led to the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882, suspending all immigration from China to the United States. Acts of violence directed against the Chinese increased. In 1885, 28

Chinese immigrants were murdered by vigilantes in Wyoming, and the wave of violence swept west: in November of the same year, a mob drove out Tacoma's Chinese residents, and in February, 1886, it happened again in Seattle. The mob dragged several hundred Chinese residents of Seattle out of their homes, and dragged them towards the waterfront, insisting that they board the steamer *Queen*, bound for San Francisco. When the authorities realized what was happening, the bells in the city began to ring—including the bell of Our Lady of Good Help—summoning the Seattle Home Guard and the Seattle Rifles to restore order. But these small forces were ill equipped to deal with the mob, which had swelled to nearly 2,000. Martial law was imposed for ten days, and the stand-off ended with little loss of life—one of the rioters was killed, and several were injured. But the Chinese continued to suffer. Those who had not been forced aboard the *Queen* were offered passage on another outward-bound ship. Only a handful remained in Seattle. When the economy rebounded in 1887, the white settlers quickly forgot the descent into violence and prejudice—but not the Chinese. It would be twenty years before the Chinese population again reached the numbers of the early 1880s.

Eventually, inevitably, Seattle outgrew Our Lady of Good Help Church. When Bishop O'Dea was consecrated in 1896, Father Prefontaine wrote urging him to move his episcopal seat to Seattle. Prefontaine hoped that the ground he had cleared with his own hands would become the site for a great city's great cathedral. But Bishop O'Dea did not think it advisable to build his cathedral across the street from the "sporting house" of the notorious local madam Lou Graham. The land was sold, and a new lot purchased at 9th and Columbia. Thus the pioneer church did play a role in the building of a new St. James Cathedral—but not quite the role Father Prefontaine had expected.

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