



ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL
The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 8, 2023

ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR THE

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRELUDE

My soul doth magnify the Lord
Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

Prelude and Fugue in F Minor
Marcel Dupré

The Introductory Rites

ENTRANCE

The kingdom of God
LAUDATE DOMINUM



1. The king-dom of God is jus - tice and joy;
2. The king-dom of God is mer - cy and grace;
3. The king-dom of God is chal - lenge and choice:
4. God's king-dom is come, the gift and the goal;



For Je - sus re - stores what sin would de - stroy.
The cap - tives are freed, the sin - ners find place,
Be - lieve the good news, re - pent and re - joice!
In Je - sus be - gun, in heav - en made whole.



God's pow - er and glo - ry in Je - sus we know;
The out - cast are wel - comed God's ban - quet to share;
God's love for us sin - ners brought Christ to his cross:
The heirs of the king - dom shall an - swer his call;



And hope and here - af - ter the king - dom shall grow.
And hope is a - wak - ened in place of de - spair.
Our cri - sis of judg - ment for gain or for loss.
And all things cry "Glo - ry!" to God all in all.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Missa orbis factor
Vatican XI

Cantor, then ALL:



1., 3., 4. Lord have mer - cy.
2. Christ have mer - cy.

GLORIA

Mass in Honor of St. Benedict
Robert LeBlanc (b. 1948)

ALL:

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple of good will. We

praise you, we bless you, we a - dore you, we glo - ri - fy you, we give you thanks for

your great glo - ry, Lord God heav - en - ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther.

Cantor *Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.*

ALL:

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men, a - men, a - - - men.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING

Isaiah 5:1-7

PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 80
Michel Guimont (b. 1950)

The vine-yard of the Lord is the house of Is - ra - el.

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:6-9

ALLELUIA

chant, Mode VII

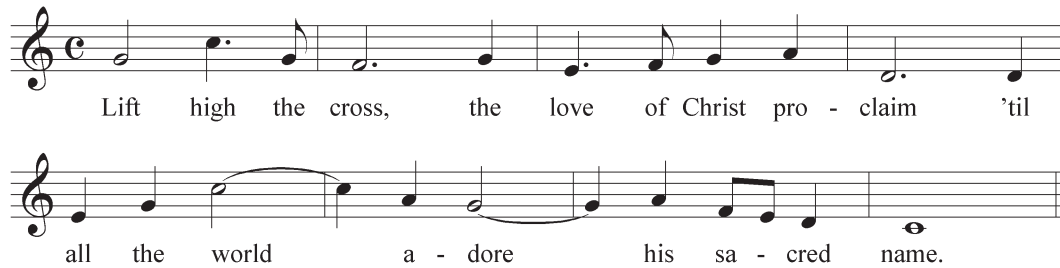
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-43

HOMILY

The Most Reverend Matthew Yietierah, Bishop of Yendi, Ghana



CREED

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.

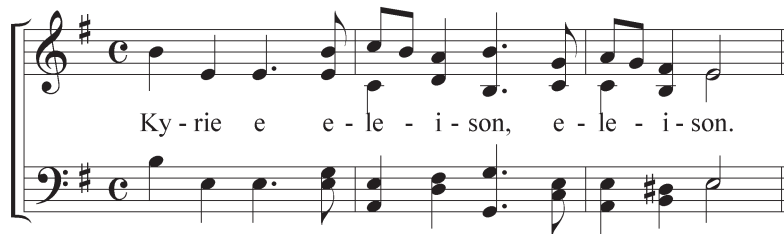
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

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.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Joseph Gelineau
(1920–2010)

*The Liturgy of the Eucharist*

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS

Offertory (10:00am)

Lass dich nur nichts nicht dauern
Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

Do not be sorrowful or regretful;
be calm, as God has ordained,
and thus my will shall be content.

What do you want to worry about from day to day?

There is One who stands above all who gives you, too, what is yours.

Only be steadfast in all you do,
stand firm; what God has decided,
that is and must be the best. Amen.

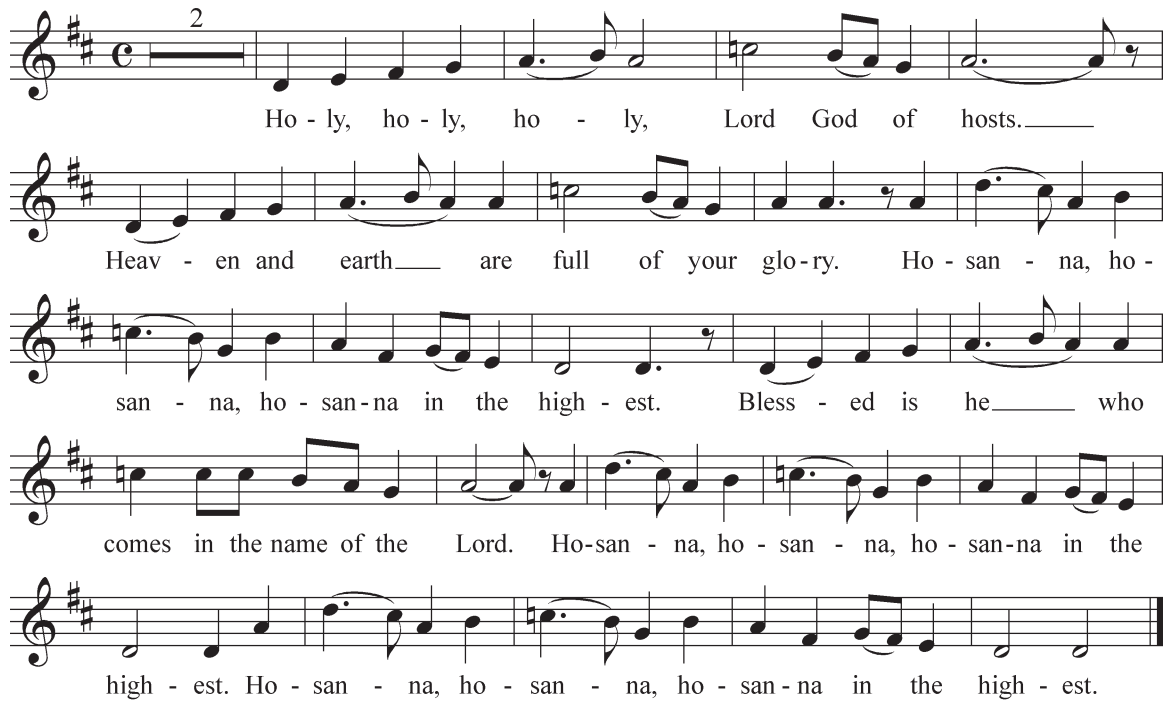
Paul Flemming (1609–1640)

(Sunday Evening)

Ad hoc templum
Josef Gabriel Rheinberger (1839–1901)

SANCTUS

Mass for the City
Richard Proulx (1934–2010)



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

Richard Proulx



When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

AMEN

Richard Proulx



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

LORD'S PRAYER

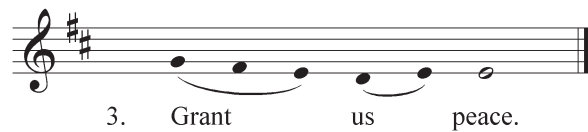
AGNUS DEI

Missa Orbis factor
chant, Vatican XI

Cantor, then ALL:



1., 2. Have mer - cy on us.



3. Grant us peace.

Please kneel following the Lamb of God and remain kneeling until it is time for your row to go forward for Holy Communion.

COMMUNION

My soul aspires after your salvation; I hope in your word;
when will you judge those who persecute me?
The wicked are persecuting me; come to my assistance, O Lord, my God.

In salutari tuo
Mode I

(10:00am)

O give thanks unto the Lord

John Goss (1800–1880)

O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is gracious, and His mercy endureth for ever.

Who can express the noble acts of the LORD, or shew forth all His praise?

The same stone which the builders refused is become the headstone in the corner.

This is the LORD'S doing; and it is marvelous in our eyes.

O give thanks unto the LORD, for He is gracious, and His mercy endureth for ever. Hallelujah. Amen.

Ps. 106:1-2; Ps. 118:22, 23, 29

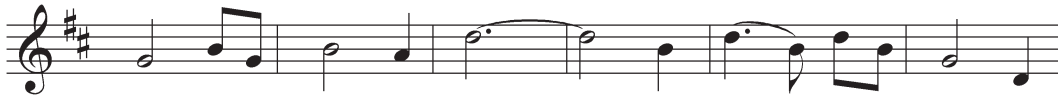
HYMN OF PRAISE

We walk by faith

NEW BRITAIN



1. We walk by faith, and not by sight; No
 2. We may not touch his hands and side, Nor
 3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And
 4. That, when our life of faith is done, In



gra - cious words we hear From him who spoke as
 fol - low where he trod; But in his prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound, To call on you when
 realms of clear - er light We may be - hold you



none e'er spoke; But we be - lieve him near.
 we re - jice, And cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near, And seek where you are found:
 as you are, With full and end - less sight.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

FINAL BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

PROCESSION

While the king sitteth at his table

Marcel Dupré

Prelude and Fugue in A Minor

Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

The Most Reverend Paul D. Etienne, Archbishop of Seattle

PASTOR

The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

PAROCHIAL VICAR Reverend Alex Pablo

IN RESIDENCE Reverend David A. Brant

PASTORAL ASSISTANT for ADMINISTRATION

Lawrence N. Brouse (206-382-4280)

FAITH FORMATION

John Simpson, Director of Faith Formation (206-654-4658)

John Marquez, RCIA (206-654-4640)

Tami Kowal, Children's Faith Formation (206-219-5822)

Open Position, Youth & Young Adults (206-382-2018)

Leticia Escobar, Faith Mentors & Faith Friends (206-619-0816)

Patty Pruitt, Administrative Assistant (206-274-3108)

LITURGY

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

Julie Sharples, Spencer Truong, Peter Burns, Wendell Dyck, sacristy (206-654-4646)

MUSIC MINISTRY (206-382-4874)

Joseph Adam, Director of Music & Cathedral Organist

Christopher Stroh, Assistant Director of Music & Organist

Stacey Sunde, Director of Youth Music

Marjorie Bunday, Music Office Assistant

SOCIAL OUTREACH and ADVOCACY

Patrick Barredo, Director (206-382-4515)

Peter Burns, Outreach Assistant

Cathedral Kitchen: Mick McHugh (Director) (206-264-2091),

Tom Bentler, Obed "Mike" Sanchez (206-264-2091)

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY

Anisa Ralls, Director (206-382-4269)

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

Patrick Suhrbier, Senior Immigrant Legal Services

Sayuko Setvik, Tutoring Coordinator

Laura Murton, Immigration Legal Coordinator

Erica de Klerk, Refugee Welcome Coordinator

STEWARDSHIP and DEVELOPMENT

Maria Laughlin, Director (206-382-4284)

Caroline Okello, Welcome & Volunteer Coordinator (206-654-4650)

PARISH OFFICE

Yanti Kapoyos, Weddings and Funerals (206-382-4288)

Bev Mauser, Louise Mennella, Wedding Coordinators

Mary MacLean, Bookkeeper (206-382-4564)

Maggie Corrigan, Office Manager (206-622-3559)

FACILITIES and GROUNDS

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

Alan Frasher, Brian Jones, Abeba Ghezai, Tim Williamson, facilities

CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS

MASS

Sundays 8:00am - 10:00am - 12 Noon - 5:30pm

Weekdays 8:00am (M, T, W, Th, F, S) & 12:10pm (M,W,F)

Saturdays 8:00am & "Vigil" 5:30pm

VESPERS and BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays at 4:00pm

CONFESSIONS/SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 8:30am-9:30am (following 8:00am Mass) and by appointment

BAPTISM

Communal celebrations are held monthly. A preparation program for parents and godparents is required. Contact Patty Pruitt for information, 206-274-3108.

MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners may begin the scheduling process up to 14 months in advance. Contact Yanti Kapoyos, Wedding Office, 206-382-4288.

ANOINTING of the SICK

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

FUNERALS for parishioners, contact Yanti Kapoyos, 206-382-4288

CATHEDRAL COLUMBARIUM Maria Laughlin, 206-382-4284

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm.

After-hours Emergency answering service for parishioners: 206-467-3049

804 Ninth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104

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

Website: www.stjames-cathedral.org

WELCOME, VISITORS! *If you are a visitor to the Cathedral, we want you to know how welcome you are – whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese.*

The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 8, 2023

ON THE COVER *The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.* The winepress. Stained glass window, St. James Cathedral Chapel. Charles Connick, artist.

FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR are offered by Ada Rassilyer and her family in loving memory of Bob Rassilyer, beloved husband, father, and papa.

FLOWERS AT THE SHRINE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY IN THE NORTH TRANSEPT are offered by Sandy Morgan in thanksgiving for the blessing of her 80th birthday.

HOSPITALITY AFTER SUNDAY 10:00AM MASS Join us in Cathedral Hall for morning glory muffins from Macrina Bakery, fresh fruit, and the chance to visit with fellow parishioners.

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS RESOURCE FAIR You are invited to the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry's Annual Resource Fair TODAY, Sunday, October, 11am to 2pm in Cathedral Hall. Come and enjoy St. James' Hospitality, meet representatives from organizations in our community and learn about mental health resources that may benefit you or someone you know! *Information*, Anisa Ralls, Director of Mental Health and Wellness Ministry, 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

THE SYNOD HAS BEGUN! This past week, Synod delegates, including our own Archbishop Etienne, concluded their retreat and began their work sessions, which will continue until October 28. Please pray for the Church during this historic Synod. You are invited to stop by the Place of Prayer near the Shrine of St. John XXIII, light a candle, and pray!

CFF MONTHLY PARENT GATHERING – OCTOBER 8 Parents, after you drop off your children at class today, you are invited to the second level of Cathedral Place, room 1 E/W, for our Monthly Parent Gathering. Guest speaker, Anisa Ralls, Director of the St. James Cathedral's Mental Health and Wellness Ministry, will join us to speak about ways to support your child's mental health and wellness. Coffee, tea, and snacks also provided.

PARISH REMEMBRANCE *Throughout the year, because we are the Cathedral Church, we remember in prayer at Mass and Vespers each of the parishes and missions of the Archdiocese of Seattle on a Sunday near their feast day.* This week we pray for the parishes of Saint John XXIII in Tacoma, Our Lady of Fatima in Seattle, St. Edward in Seattle and Shelton, and the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION – OCTOBER 8, 2023

Today is the second class session in our Children's Faith Formation Program. Classes meet after the 10:00am Mass on the second floor of O'Dea High School across the street from the Cathedral. It's not too late to register for classes or sacramental preparation! *Information and enrollment*, Tami Kowal, Director of Children's Faith Formation, 206-219-5822 or tkowal@stjames-cathedral.org.

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY Monday, October 9 is celebrated as Indigenous Peoples' Day. This day is a chance to reflect on our region's commitment to honor the legacy and ongoing contributions of our American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities. May we remember the history of the land we are privileged to live on and the people who were here long before. May we look to the future and how we can better serve our Indigenous communities and everyone who calls the Pacific Northwest their home. As a Catholic Church, we also remember that earlier this year, nearly 500 years after papal decrees were used to rationalize Europe's colonial conquests, the Vatican repudiated those decrees, saying the "Doctrine of Discovery" that was used to justify snuffing out Indigenous people's culture and livelihoods is not part of the Catholic faith. May we, as the Church, stand with Indigenous peoples now and strongly support the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, which helps protect Indigenous rights as well as improving living conditions and development "in a way that respects their identity, language and culture."

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE As we prepare for All Souls on November 2, a book of remembrance has been placed near the Mary Shrine. Please record the names of deceased loved ones. This book of remembrance will be carried in procession at the solemn Requiem Mass of All Souls.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL THANKS YOU We visited a young man who co-parented his young child. He told us of the difficult childhood he experienced and the challenges he had overcome. He valued his young daughter and strived to create a stable home for her. When he lost his job, he fell behind in paying rent. This neighbor called the St Vincent de Paul Helpline requesting assistance (206-767-6449 or online <https://svdpseattle.org/get-help/online-help-request-form/>). Thanks to your help, we were able to help him meet the current month's rent. The man was grateful and expressed hope about a job he had interviewed for. *Information*, Jo Ann Wiesner, 206-291-4012 or wiesnerjo@gmail.com.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH There are many ways to commemorate this important month! PrePS (Pregnancy and Parenting Support), an office of Catholic Community Service, invites you to help their Nido Familiar program. Volunteer work includes sorting donations, stocking the baby boutique, stocking diapers and wipes, and tending a community garden. Hours are Monday to Wednesday, 10am to 4:30pm. *Information*, Rubit Chavez, program manager, 206-584-1270 or RubitC@ccsw.org.

Dear Friends,

This weekend, we are honored to welcome Bishop Matthew Yitiereh. Pope Francis recently appointed Bishop Matthew to the Diocese of Yendi in Ghana. Yendi is rich in faith, but in terms of material needs, it is among the poorest and most remote dioceses in west Africa. Bishop Matthew is here this weekend to ask for our support. His most immediate need is a car capable of taking him to the remote reaches of his large diocese. Most of the roads are rough and unpaved!

I'm sorry that I'm not here to personally welcome Bishop Yitiereh but I know you will give him a warm St. James Cathedral welcome and you will come through with your usual generosity!

Father Ryan

PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL is

a strategic and pastoral planning effort taking place across the Archdiocese of Seattle in the coming months. Most of our parish and mission churches will become part of a "parish family" under a single pastor. Each family will be served by one, two, or more priests. A "Current Reality" video is available, which explains more about the changing realities for the Church in western Washington and how Partners in the Gospel will help us respond to the times. **Public consultation is underway.** Just one session remains!

Monday, October 9
2:00pm-3:30pm ZOOM

Your input is absolutely essential as this process will impact the Cathedral and surrounding parishes for decades to come.

To register for our final feedback session,
[Caroline Okello, cokello@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:cokello@stjames-cathedral.org).



**PARTNERS
IN THE GOSPEL**

SOUTH SEATTLE DEANERY CANDIDATE FORUM ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS Thursday, October 19, 6:30pm–8pm in Cathedral Hall. The South Seattle Deanery invites you to attend a Candidate Forum for Seattle districts 2 and 3, focused on issues related to housing and homelessness. District 2 candidates are Tammy Morales and Tanya Woo. Running for District 3 are Alex Hudson and Joy Hollingsworth. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515 or pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org.

Opportunities to Serve

OPERATION NIGHTWATCH supports homeless men and women by providing shelter meals. A St. James team is being formed to cook and serve dinner for 150 people on the third Tuesday of each month, 6:30pm-9:30pm. *Information*, Peter Burns, 206-264-2082 or pburns@stjames-cathedral.org.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST St. James Cathedral is one of only three Seattle sites that serve Sunday breakfast for homeless and low-income persons. Please consider joining our Saturday, 3.30pm-5.30pm cooking team, or our Sunday, 6.30am-8.30am serving team. *Information*, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515 or pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org.

JOIN THE CATHEDRAL GARDEN TEAM! The St. James Cathedral Kitchen Garden, which provides fresh produce for the weeknight meals served at Cathedral Hall, welcomes volunteers to help with planting, weeding, maintenance, pruning, and harvesting. The garden is located on the corner of Madison and Terry. *Information*, Peter Burns, pburns@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-264-2082.

TEEN, YOUNG ADULT AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FAITH FRIENDS Faith Friends is a unique blend of our Faith Mentor, children's faith formation program, and an inclusion ministry. The ministry's goal is to give children and teens ages 7-18 with physical, cognitive and/or intellectual disabilities access to the parish community, social events, and faith formation. *Information*, Leticia Escobar, 206-619-0816, faithfriends@stjames-cathedral.org, or www.faithfriendsstjames.org.

CATHEDRAL KITCHEN As the Cathedral Kitchen prepares to return to complete in-person dining each weeknight, consider joining the Kitchen team by committing to prepare and serve meals once a week. *Information*, Mick McHugh, 206-264-2091 or MickMcHugh00@gmail.com.

YOUTH READER MINISTRY Is your child/teen interested in becoming a Youth Reader at Mass and proclaiming the Word of the Lord or reading prayers? *Information*, Tami Kowal, Director of Children's Faith Formation, 206-219-5822 or tkowal@stjames-cathedral.org.

REGISTER FOR YOUTH MUSIC We have an ensemble just for you! All children and youth in grades 1-12 are encouraged and welcome to register for Youth Music. To learn more or register, visit the Youth Music page on the Cathedral website at <https://www.stjames-cathedral.org/music/youthmusic/default.aspx>. *Information*, Youth Music Office, youthmusic@stjames-cathedral.org or 206-382-4876.

FAITH FRIENDS INCLUSION MINISTRY Faith Friends is an inclusion ministry serving children and teens from across the Archdiocese of Seattle. We are a unique blend of our Faith Mentor and Children's Faith Formation program, and provide Sacramental Preparation, as well as opportunities for friendship with other youth. *Information*, Leticia Escobar, 206-619-0816, faithfriends@stjames-cathedral.org.

WEEKLY MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS GROUPS Every Friday of the month, 10-11:30am the Mental Health and Wellness Ministry will be having different groups for mental health support, including art, board games, a mental health support group, mindfulness, yoga, and prayer, and a movie. Held in the Pastoral Outreach Center. *Registration and information*, Anisa Ralls, 206-382-4269 or aralls@stjames-cathedral.org.

BYRD ENSEMBLE CONCERT Saturday, October 21 at 8:00pm – Muhly Meets Byrd. Opening the Byrd Ensemble's 20th Anniversary season and to honor 400 years since the death of their namesake, William Byrd, this program features a world premiere commissioned by the ensemble. The new work, by American composer Nico Muhly, is based on Byrd's motet, *Ne irascaris, Domine* and will be conducted by Muhly himself. The program also features other favorites by Byrd and his contemporaries and will conclude with a performance of Tallis's monumental 40-part motet, *Spem in alium*. *Tickets (\$20-\$60) and more information*, www.byrdensemble.com/muhlymeetsbyrd. Pay-what-you-can parishioner passes available at the parish office reception desk or through the music office.

VISIT THE CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE Located off the Archbishop Murphy Courtyard on the south side of the Cathedral, the Cathedral Bookstore is open weekdays 11-3 and after each weekend Mass. The Bookstore offers a wide variety of items that express the spirit of St. James Cathedral parish: Catholic books for children and adults—history, spirituality, theology, and more; gift items and religious articles like rosaries and saints' medals; Cathedral souvenirs, including postcards, notecards, books, magnets, keychains, and more. Now in stock: saint socks! Through its revenue, the bookstore supports many of the ministries of the Cathedral, including outreach ministries and arts programs. *Information*, Caroline Okello, 206-654-4650 or cokello@stjames-cathedral.org.



CARE FOR CREATION TIP FOR THE WEEK Pope Francis' follow-up to his 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si': On Care for Our Common Home* was released on October 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Earlier this year, he said that, "I am writing a second part to *Laudato Si'* to update it on current problems," including the devastating effects that climate change has wrought over these last few years. The new apostolic exhortation is available at <https://www.vatican.va/>.

Living Neighbor-Love

Through Caring for Creation in a Changing Climate

*We praise you,
O God,
for all your works
are wonderful.*

*Mike Ballhoff &
Darryl Ducote*

*Glory be to God
for dappled
things.*

*Gerard Manley
Hopkins*



Wednesdays, October 18, 25, November 1, 8, 7pm-8:30pm
St. James Cathedral Pastoral Outreach Center, 907 Columbia Street

In this four-week series, DR. JUDITH MAYOTTE guides participants into a deeper exploration of the themes that spring forth from *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis' encyclical on right relationship with all that God has created.

- Week 1** In the Great Commandment and the story of the Good Samaritan, we reflect on the nature of Neighbor-Love – and caring for creation.
- Week 2** Many must “pick up their life and take it with them” in a vast migration as human lifestyles tilt Earth beyond its capacity to sustain life for all.
- Week 3** “Hear the cry of the Earth and the cry of the Poor.” As architects of our lifestyles and the economic systems that support our lifestyles, how can we enable an economy based on Earth’s ecological capacity?
- Week 4** Radical change is needed in the way we live on our Earth home. *We can* write a new story of our relation with nature so the Earth, humans and other-than-humans can flourish together sustainably and peacefully.



ABOUT THE PRESENTER DR. JUDITH MAYOTTE is a humanitarian, author and spokesperson for refugees worldwide, particularly those displaced by climate change. She is the recipient of a MacArthur Foundation Grant, served in the Clinton Administration, and chaired the Women’s Refugee Commission.

Registration, Patrick Barredo, 206-382-4515 or pbarredo@stjames-cathedral.org

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Annual Report

St. James Cathedral Parish, July 2022-June 2023

DEAR FRIENDS,
Each year at this time, we publish a report on the financial condition of the parish. As you reflect on how you will support the Cathedral parish in 2024, I hope that the information contained in this report will help inform your decision. The report details not only the dollars and cents, but also some of the ministries and activities which are made possible through your support.

Our fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, our total parish income was \$5,796,818.

- Sunday and holy day collections (50%)
- Various gifts, grants, and bequests (28%)
- Business income (including land lease, fundraisers, Cathedral Bookstore) (22%)

Total expenses for the year were \$5,754,912.

- Salaries, benefits and other personnel-related expenses (56%)
- Parish assessment by the Archdiocese (4%)
- Our annual support of four central area Catholic schools and parish scholarships for Rainbow Schools and high schools (5%)
- Supplies, operating costs for the maintenance and improvement of the Cathedral, other parish buildings, and grounds, etc. (35%)

This left us with a modest surplus in 2022-2023 of \$41,906.

You will notice that this surplus is quite a bit lower than what we projected at this time last year. This is due to a salary adjustment of 15% for the entire Cathedral staff, which was implemented in January, 2023. The adjustment was made at the recommendation of the Archdiocese of Seattle. Given inflation and the cost of living in Seattle, this adjustment was necessary and overdue.

If you look at the projected budget for 2023-2024, you'll see that we anticipate a deficit of \$220,385 in the current fiscal year. The 2023 salary adjustment accounts for part of this deficit. In addition, there have been substantial increases in our Archdiocesan subsidy (an increase of \$108,000). There have also been unforeseen increases in the cost of medical benefits and insurance.

I will be coming to you in November to invite you to consider increasing the support you give the parish. With your help, we can keep pace with inflation! In the meantime, we will cover this year's deficit from our reserves.

It's good for you to know that our Finance Council meets every month to monitor the finances of the parish and to advise me and my team on financial matters. I am immensely grateful to them for the way they share their time and expertise. The deficit is of concern to our Finance Council, and we are monitoring our spending closely.

Income and Expense	Projected 2022-2023	Actual 2022-2023	Projected 2023-2024
Sunday and Holy Day Collections	\$ 3,120,000	\$ 3,002,496	\$ 3,106,000
Bequests	194,000	128,079	193,400
Other gifts, grants, ACA rebate	890,250	1,104,682	966,514
Restricted donations	12,000	323,661	12,000
Columbarium income	100,000	94,290	80,000
Business income (land lease, bookstore, fundraisers)	1,096,284	1,143,610	1,174,068
Total Income	\$5,412,534	\$5,796,818	\$5,531,982
Staff salaries & benefits	\$2,835,946	\$3,040,127	\$3,392,174
Supplies (including postage & printing)	405,974	598,789	420,886
Operations & Maintenance	240,000	218,660	185,000
Capital Expense	50,000	229,218	10,000
Contracted Services (includes insurance premiums, police officers, service contracts, & contract musicians)	580,830	680,550	510,639
Business Expenses (including bookstore and fundraising expense, hospitality, donations to others)	213,250	224,380	223,367
Utilities, vehicles	340,800	336,635	371,350
Archdiocesan assessment	190,100	190,157	327,555
Rainbow Schools and Scholarships	244,597	236,397	311,397
Total Expense	\$5,101,497	\$5,754,912	\$5,811,583
Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 311,036	\$ 41,906	\$ (220,385)

OUR LIFE AS A PARISH, 2022-2023

We are a vibrant and diverse parish with 2,664 registered households, comprising 5,485 individual members. Our parishioners come from across Western Washington, from as far south as Olympia and as far north as Mount Vernon, with well over 180 ZIP codes on our roster. Hundreds of volunteers are involved in dozens of parish ministries.

This year, 858 of these households made Sacrificial Giving pledges to the parish, and 1,371 households made contributions in the course of the year.

During the past fiscal year, more than 700 Sunday and regular daily liturgies were celebrated, not counting special liturgies for Holy Days, the Sacred Triduum, and ecumenical and interfaith services.

We livestream Mass every day and twice on Sunday. Nearly 200 people from across the country join each morning in the daily livestream Mass, and on Sundays we are joined by an average of 450!

Fifty-three children and 8 adults were baptized; 7 people baptized in other Christian traditions made their Profession of Faith and were received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church. Twenty-three confirmations were celebrated, and 17 children received their First Holy Communion. During the year 25 weddings and 32 funerals were celebrated.

LITURGY, MUSIC, AND SPECIAL EVENTS

MASS ATTENDANCE HAS GREATLY INCREASED as we continue to recover from the Covid-19 Pandemic. It has been good to see so many of you returning to in-person worship during the past year.

As the Cathedral Church, we are privileged to host special events which gather Catholics from across Western Washington, including Rites of Election, the Chrism Mass, Ordinations to the Priesthood, Madre de las Americas, and Simbang Gabi. The Cathedral also hosted Baccalaureate Masses for O'Dea High School, Holy Names Academy, Seattle Preparatory School, and Seattle University.

In July, 2022, the Cathedral was privileged to host two gatherings for the American Guild of Organists, who met in Seattle for their annual convention.

At the November Mass for Deceased Homeless, we remembered 289 people who died on the streets in the past year, a staggering number.

On December 31, 2022, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI died. That evening, a special candlelight vigil was held to usher in the New Year.

On January 22, 2023, the Archdiocese of Seattle announced a major restructuring and re-envisioning effort called PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL. Over the next several years, this effort will combine our parishes and missions into "families" of two, three, or more, united under a single pastor.

In January-February, 2023, some 120 parishioners joined in a memorable pilgrimage to the Holy Land, with hundreds more following the journey via social media.

During the Sacred Triduum this year, we were privileged to welcome Diana Macalintal to preach the

traditional Tre Ore service on the Seven Last Words. And on May 19, a special Mass marked the Centennial of O'Dea High School.

OUTREACH, PASTORAL CARE, AND FAITH FORMATION

The Cathedral Kitchen, now in its 48th year, serves an average of 150 people of all ages and races a hot, nutritious meal, lovingly prepared in the Cathedral Hall each weeknight—around 40,000 meals a year. The Sunday Early Breakfast continues to feed 70-80 people every Sunday morning. In addition, our Cathedral Kitchen Garden is thriving at Madison and Terry. And the Solanus Casey Center, our drop-in and referral center, a joint ministry with Catholic Community Services, helps hundreds of people find the services they need, whether housing, transportation, or meals.

The St. James Immigrant Assistance Program has continued to grow and to develop new outreach to immigrants and refugees in our midst. This year, we continued to support refugee families from Ukraine, and a new "Welcome Backpack" program was launched to assist migrants arriving in Seattle from the US-Mexico border. Our Mental Health and Wellness Ministry offered a variety of services, including prayer ministry, grief support, educational events, and social activities.

Many homebound parishioners received communion in their homes each week, allowing them to remain connected to the liturgical life of St. James, and many more connected with the Cathedral via livestream. Cathedral parishioners took communion to patients at Swedish Hospital several days each week.

Our Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation programs were in-person this year, after two long years of Zoom! About 100 Cathedral children participated in Sunday School classes, offered September through June. In November, an event called *Cathedral Youth Unite* brought children of our faith formation and music programs together for a wonderful party with pizza, games, and fellowship.

Other offerings included two Lenten series, one on the Gospels of the Lenten Sundays and another on faithful citizenship. We've also hosted Bible Study, book groups, retreats, and much more.

ALL THIS WAS MADE POSSIBLE BY YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS. We want you to know that, under the oversight of the Cathedral's Finance Council, there has been careful stewardship of the financial resources of the parish. We look forward to accomplishing even more with your support and with the help of God's grace in the coming year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Father Michael G. Ryan, Pastor

Towards a Listening Church

SYNOD Q & A

What is a Synod?

The Church is in Synod! The word “synod” literally means “on the way together,” and refers to a gathering of the Church for discernment or decision-making.

Who is part of the Synod?

This Synod is unprecedented in the breadth of participation. In the fall of 2021 and the winter and spring of 2022, millions of people all over the world participated in listening sessions—the widest consultation of the people of God, and indeed of the human family, in history. In our own Archdiocese of Seattle, 11,000 people took part in listening sessions, in their parishes or online. In October 2023, laypeople as well as bishops will serve as official delegates to the Synod—a first. Our own Archbishop Paul D. Etienne was named a delegate by Pope Francis. He will be one of 363 voting delegates, including about 20 Americans, in Rome in October, 2023.

What documents has the Synod produced?

The Synod is more about the experience of listening to one another and to the Holy Spirit than it is about documents. Indeed, the preparatory documents for the Synod stated: “The purpose of the Synod... is not to produce documents, but to plant dreams, draw forth prophecies and visions, allow hope to be nourished, inspire trust, bind up wounds, weave together relationships, awaken a dawn of hope, learn from one another, and create a bright resourcefulness that will enlighten minds, warm hearts, (and) give strength to our hands.” That being said, the Synod has created a number of significant documents, at the local, the national, and the worldwide levels. Each round of consultation has produced a synthesis document, which in turn have informed further listening.

- Archdiocese of Seattle Synthesis (English and Spanish)
- Synthesis for Region XII (Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Alaska)
- Synthesis for the United States of America
- Document for the Continental Stage (DCS): *Enlarge the Space of Your Tent*
- North American Synthesis Document (response to DCS)
- *Instrumentum Laboris* for October 2023

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For information about the Synod,
visit archseattle.org/synod

What happens next?

All of the work that has happened to this point has prepared the way for the gatherings of delegates in Rome in October of 2023. The work of the delegates will be guided by the *Instrumentum Laboris* for the Synod. What happens next depends on their deliberations. We know that the Synod will continue into a second session in October of 2024.



What will be talked about?

The *Instrumentum Laboris* which will guide the work of the delegates this fall asks a wide range of questions focused on how the Church can foster communion, strengthen participation, and carry out its mission. Topics considered include caring for creation, ecumenism, the participation of the baptized in the life of the Church, the role of women, and the inclusion of marginalized groups, as well as considerations around leadership and decision-making at the local, national, and global levels. Ultimately, the focus of this synod is synodality itself: how can we walk together more effectively? How can our decision-making processes engage the whole people of God? How can we listen to one another and to the Holy Spirit more intentionally? How can we overcome polarization and divisions and walk together without erasing difference, but holding them in creative tension?

Where can I find out what's happening at the Synod this October?

The Synod Assembly is likely to be widely covered in the media. It is important to choose reliable sources, as many popular media outlets will likely focus on any controversial topics that are discussed, possibly losing sight of the big picture: the Synod is not about a single topic, but rather about how we walk together as Church in every aspect of life and ministry. The following sites are recommended for balanced information about what is happening at the Synod:

- synod.va – site for the Synod, available in several languages
- vaticannews.va – official media site for the Vatican, available in several languages
- usccb.org/newsroom – official media site for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
- nwcatholic.org – new from our local Church and around the world
- www.archbishopetienne.com – Archbishop Etienne's blog, where he will share regular updates first-hand from the Synod Assembly. You can sign up to receive new posts in your e-mail

What can we do now?

As individuals or in parishes, this is a good time to read, reflect on, and discuss the *Instrumentum Laboris* and the other documents the Synod has produced so far. Above all, let us pray for the Synod, that the delegates in Rome may listen deeply to one another, and most especially, to the Holy Spirit!