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Mon-Thurs: 7:30am Fri -Sat: 9am Saturday (Sunday Vigil): 5pm Sunday: 8am*, 11am*, 5pm

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Wednesday: 5pm Saturday: 10am & 3pm

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Welcome to Our Parish!

If you are new to Star of the Sea, we welcome you to our Parish family. We hope that you will feel at home here. Please pick up a registration card in the Church vestibule or call the Parish Office. If you are seeking answers, we invite you to visit www.CatholicsComeHome.org or call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment to visit with Fr. Lappe about the Catholic Faith.

Bulletin Information Deadline Noon on Friday (week before), in writing, or email bulletin@starofthesea.net

Assisted Listening Devices

Available in vestibule. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Sacrament of Baptism

For information on infant Baptism please contact the Parish Office. We encourage parents to arrange for Baptism before the birth of the child.

Sacrament of Marriage

If you are seeking to receive the Sacrament of Marriage at Star of the Sea, please contact the Parish Office.

Adult Reception Into the Church

Classes of inquiry to join the Church are available throughout the year. If you are seeking to learn more or would like to become a member of the Catholic Church, we encourage you to email RCIA@starofthesea.net for more info.

Parish Staff & Ministry Directory Go online at starofthesea.net

FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES CALL PARISH OFFICE AT 360-479-3777 anytime

Natural Family Planning

Consultation and/or instruction call Lucy at 360-271-3611; clemenlucy@gmail.com

Communion for the Homebound

If you have been injured, ill, or had surgery, please call the Parish Office so that you can be put on the Communion list.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available 24 hours a day. To sign up for an hour, email mark@starofthesea.net

Prayer Line

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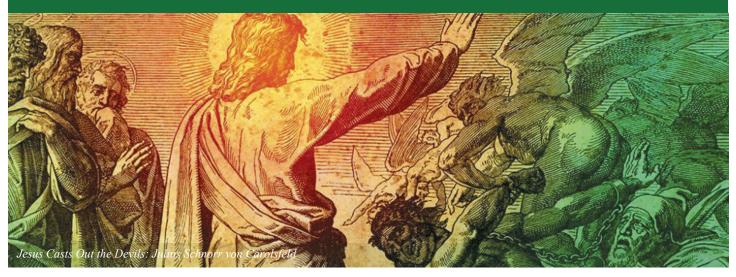
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NOT TO DESTORY BUT TO GIVE LIFE

A man who has lost his faith in God will ordinarily hide from the deeper loneliness of soul that accompanies his time of unbelief. He is loath to face his real aloneness and inner absence. But if he recovers his religious faith, it is impossible to ignore the change within his soul. No more does he feel as if trapped in a closed room of senseless partitions and blocked entryways, looking for exits and finding none. A door has opened, a release has taken place.

Perhaps no one in that new state of soul can say whether he has escaped a confinement or if someone else has entered and ended his isolation. What is known is that his soul is no longer alone. Companionship with God can seem a simple occurrence in those days and an easy delight. And there can be a naïve expectation that the friendship is only beginning and will be permanently enjoyed in this manner. But the gift is temporary, an interlude before the real friendship begins.

In time a new experience of solitude introduces itself, a different loneliness that has changed along with the change in the soul. A man comes to know it in seeking a Lord who hides himself more often and in waiting for his return in prayer, a wait that may stretch at times beyond days and weeks. Once, however, the waiting and the loneliness are understood as a new form of gift, a hunger for God can commence that has no limit over a lifetime. If a man is faithful to returning to it and does not fear it, nothing in this life can diminish that hunger and nothing can replace it.

- FR. DONALD HAGGERTY



RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM Saturday: 8:30 AM, 4:30 PM

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Monday – Thursday 7:00 AM Friday and Saturday 8:00 AM



PRAYER REQUESTS



In your kindness and charity towards others, please pray for the sick, homeless, homebound, the imprisoned, the unemployed, all our military overseas, and all who are held in our hearts:

Linda McDaniel, Arthur Lente, Nathan Dixon, Cole Eckert, Felix Fabellano, Andras Ordog, Lacsamana family, Ross Smith, Ray & Patrick Costello, Michael Childs, Sharon Christodoulou, Glenda Isbell, Joan Halmrast, Hugh Black, Iva Lehmann, Sharona Belles, Benny Castro, Cheryl Browne, Antonio Charles, Leo Fuentes, Anthony & Nickolaus Lente, Sandra Pick, Mona Pick, John Lange, Steven & Sonia Pickering, Dianne Huebert, Randall family, Elsa Gragasin, Steve & Brenda Walke, James Lee, Teri Conklin, Kris Ceithamer, Myrna Acosta, Johnthony Acosta, Joseph Materne, Ori Hoallander family, Joyce O'Hara, Kelley Hurley family, Steve Jennings, Eugenio Javier Jr., Tommy D. Sheppard, Angela Eddings Dice, and Ruby F.

For the repose of all the souls who have died, especially **Mike Gray**. May God grant them the joy of eternal life and peace for their families.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 28

- ⇒Mass Times 8am, 11am, 5pm Maria Meza, RIP
- ⇒After Morning Masses, Parish Appreciation Breakfast hosted by OLSOS School
- ⇒No Confirmation
- ⇒6:15pm Roots Young Adults, JP2 Youth Center

Monday, January 29

- ⇒7:30am Mass Karisa Cruz, RIP
- ⇒8:30am Legion of Mary, Center Room 1

Tuesday, January 30

- ⇒7:30am Mass Joe Murry, RIP
- ⇒8:30am Bible Study, Center Room 1
- ⇒6pm OCIA, School Cafeteria

Wednesday, January 31

(M) St. John Bosco

- ⇒7:30am Mass Velma Powell, RIP
- ⇒9:30am Rosary Makers, Center Room 1
- ⇒5pm Confession
- ⇒5:30pm Parish Family Potluck, Camerman Hall
- ⇒6pm Adult Formation/Faithworks/Fidelis/Fraternus

Thursday, February 1

- ⇒6am That Man is You, Camerman Hall
- ⇒7:30am Mass Joe Murry, RIP
- ⇒11:30am Altar Society, Center Rooms 1 & 2
- ⇒6pm Gospel Study, Upper JPII
- ⇒7pm Vianney Cenacle, Church

Friday, February 2

(F) The Presentation of the Lord

- ⇒9am Mass Altar Society, INT
- ⇒10am Mom's Group, Center Rooms 1 & 2
- ⇒6pm First Friday Mass Declan Hartsell, INT
- ⇒6:30pm Confession

Saturday, February 3

(m) St. Blaise

- ⇒7am Men's Group, Conference Room
- ⇒9pm Mass Legion of Mary, INT
- ⇒ 10am Confession
- ⇒ 10am Militia Immaculata, Center Rooms 3 & 4
- ⇒ 10am Men's Spirituality, Center Room 5
- ⇒ 3pm Confession
- ⇒ 5pm Mass Mike Gray, RIP
- ⇒ 6:30pm High School Discipleship—Mardi Gras potluck, JP2 Youth Center

ALTAR SOCIETY

Ladies of the parish, please join us at our next monthly meeting, Thursday, February 1 in Center Rooms 1 and 2.

Each month we begin with a rosary at 11:30am followed by a sack lunch we bring from home. Enjoy delicious desserts provided by our hostesses for the month before beginning our meeting. Altar Society provides funds for all our parish altars, we support seminarians, make donations to St. Vincent de Paul, and other charitable efforts.

Please join us!



VIANNEY CENACLE

Thursday, February 1 @ 7pm in the church

Come Pray for Priests & Vocations to the Priesthood! We entrust Your priests to the Immaculate Heart of Mary!





HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR BOTTLE?

It's not too late!

If you haven't returned your baby bottle filled with change, cash or checks, its not too late. Please bring it to the office during regular business hours and help us to be part of God's plan in making a difference in the life of a child. On-line giving is also available through the parish website:

WWW.STAROFTHESEA.NET

At Mary's Little Tots Shop, babies and small children receive needed items such as clothing, diapers, medical/hygiene supplies, and blankets. Best of all, struggling families find hope in this broken world! This and so much more happens because of people like you who care. Thank you!



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

O.C.I.A.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

www.starofthesea.net/rcia

Questions about becoming Catholic or returning to the Church?
Email: RCIA@starofthesea.net

PARISH FAMILY HOUR:

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30pm, Camerman Hall

BIBLE STUDY:

- ⇒ Tuesdays, 8:30am Center Room 1 Contact: clemenlucy@gmail.com or 360-271-3611
- ⇒ Thursdays, 6pm Adult Gospel Study, Upper JPII Center

THAT MAN IS YOU

Interactive Men's Focus Group
Thursdays, 6am breakfast in Camerman Hall
Contact Rene: TMIY@starofthesea.net

YOUNG ADULTS:

Contact: alice@starofthesea.net

ROOTS

Sundays at 6:15pm, JP2 Youth Center + Jan 28: St. Thomas Aquinas Feast Day

MOVIE NIGHTS

Monday Evenings at the French's House Contact Kennedy: kenniemae@icloud.com

ENCYCLICAL STUDY

Tuesdays at 6:30pm, Contact Alice@starofthesea.net for location

For updates on our Young Adults Group, visit: facebook.com/staryoungadults

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Catholic Schools Week



Sunday, Jan. 28th: Celebrating Your PARISH

· Breakfast for parish after the 8 am & 11 am Masses

Monday, Jan. 29th: Celebrating Your COMMUNITY

- · Grades 6 8 will pack essentials kits for Mary's Place guests
- Grades 3 5 will make cards to send to a nearby nursing home
- · Grades K 2 will decorate placemats used at Mary's Place
- The entire school will participate in a week long "Fill the Bus" Food Drive

Tuesday, Jan. 30th: Celebrating the NATION

- · Students will dress in red, white, and/or blue colors (free-dress)
- The entire school will pray a patriotic rosary for our nation
- · Students will learn and sing patriotic songs during choir

Wednesday, Jan. 31st: Celebrating <u>VOCATIONS</u>

- Students will make a spiritual bouquet for Archbishop Schuster, Bishop Alessandro, and Bishop Etienne
- Special lunch for All Religious, followed by a Q & A session with students (families are invited to attend the Q & A)

Thursday, Feb. 1st: Celebrating STUDENTS

- Students will come to school in free-dress based on homeroom theme
- A pizza lunch will be provided for all students
- Student raffle during lunch
- . Minute to Win It Games (teachers vs. students)

Friday, Feb. 2nd: Celebrating FACULTY

- All-School Mass
- Staff luncheon during school
- Younger students will bring a game to be played with older students



Information Night!

To all interested families and students or rising freshmen or transfer students:

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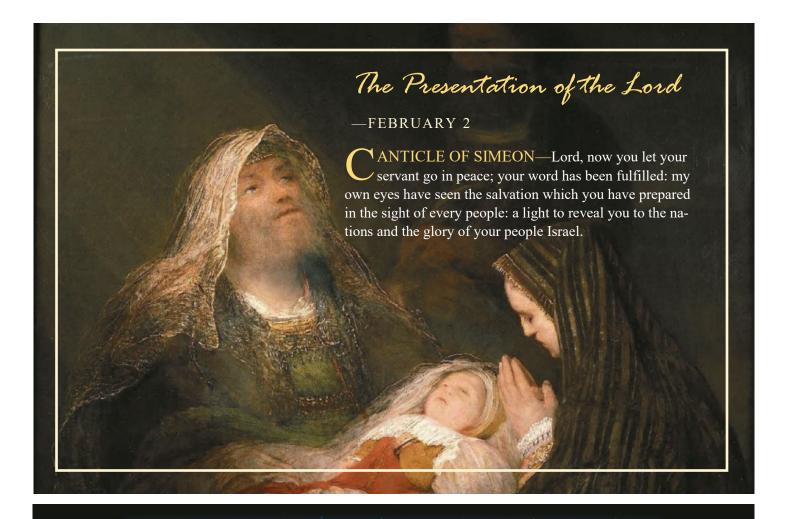


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Attend the Congress with the Seattle Archdiocesan Young Adult Delegation!

Cost: \$750 - Scholarships are available for you too! Registration is open until January 31

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Youth/Young Adult Holy Hour with Praise & Worship Music

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WHEN: First Saturday of the month

WHERE: Parishes and Newman Centers throughout the

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SCHEDULE:

- 6:30pm Arrival
- 6:45pm Talk/mingle
- 7:00pm Adoration
- 8:00pm Ice Cream/Cookie Social

Locations:

- **Feb 3** Western Washington Newman Center, Bellingham
- Mar 2 Middle School Encounter, Burien & UW Newman Center, Seattle
- Apr 6 St. Mary Magdalen, Everett
- May 4 Our Lady of Lourdes, Vancouver
- **June 1** Our Lady Star of the Sea, Bremerton



Athens: Visit iconic sites like the Parthenon and Mars Hill. Bus tour includes Constitution Square, the Temple of Zeus, and the Old Olympic Stadium. Spend the afternoon for personal exploration. Conclude with dinner and overnight stay in Athens.

3-Night Mediterranean Cruise: sail from Athens to the quaint isle of Mykonos where you will have time to experience the waterfront lined with shops and cafes.

Kusadasi, Patmos: Arrive in Kusanagi, Turkey and embark on excursion to Ephesus, where Paul ministered. Ephesus features impressive ancient remains, including the Agora, Theater, Stadium, Library of Celsus, and the Temple of Diana ruins. Later, sail to Patmos for another excursion to the Monastery of St. John and the Grotto of the Apocalypse, where St. John received his revelations.

Heraklion, Santorini: Morning in Crete, with optional shore excursion. Briefly explore Heraklion and visit the Knossos excavations, revealing a civilization dating back to 4000 BC. In the afternoon, you will disembark on Santorini, known as the most breathtaking Greek island, with its stunning whitewashed villages like Fira (Thira) perched on volcanic cliffs, accessible by cable-car or mule.

Corinth, Athens: Visit Ancient Corinth, where Paul preached for a year and a half. Explore its Archaeological Museum, Forum, Temples, and the famous Bema where Paul faced accusations. Finally, stop in Cochlea, where Paul ended his second missionary journey.

Egypt: Fly to Cairo, Egypt and check-in to a Hotel for the night. Explore the Great Pyramids of Giza, The Sphinx, Old Cairo, Abu Serga—the oldest of its churches. The next day, visit the Egyptian Museum containing the world's most extensive collection of pharaonic antiquities, 9th century Mosque of Mohammed Ali and the Citadel—The Saladin Citadel located on Mokattam hill, and the colorful Khan El Khalili Bazaar of the world's oldest bazaars. **Optional Nile Cruise Dinner Boat**

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Lives of the Saints

ST. BLAISE

Feast Day: February 3

We know more about the devotion to Saint Blaise by Christians around the world than we know about the saint himself. His feast is observed as a holy day in some Eastern Churches. In 1222, the Council of Oxford prohibited servile labor in England on Blaise's feast day. The Germans and Slavs hold him in special honor, and for decades many United States Catholics have sought the annual Saint Blaise blessing for their throats.

We know that Bishop Blaise was martyred in his episcopal city of Sebastea, Armenia, in 316. The legendary *Acts of St. Blaise* were written 400 years later. According to them

Blaise was a good bishop, working hard to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his people. Although the Edict of Toleration (311), granting freedom of worship in the Roman Empire, was already five years old, persecution still raged in Armenia. Blaise was apparently forced to flee to the back country. There he lived as a hermit in solitude and prayer, but he made friends with the wild animals. One day a group of hunters seeking wild animals for the amphitheater stumbled upon Blaise's cave. They were first surprised and then frightened. The bishop was kneeling in prayer surrounded by patiently waiting wolves, lions and bears.

The legend has it that as the hunters hauled Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command the child was able to cough up the bone.

Agricolaus, governor of Cappadocia, tried to persuade Blaise to sacrifice to pagan idols. The first time Blaise refused, he was beaten. The next time he was suspended from a tree and his flesh torn with iron combs or rakes. Finally, he was beheaded.

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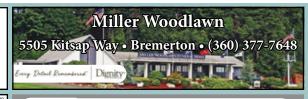


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