



ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

602 S 34th St., Tacoma, WA 98418

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St. Joseph Catholic Church was established on October 1, 2015 as a personal parish of the Archdiocese of Seattle for the celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass.

Mass Times

Sunday

7:00 a.m. Low Mass 1:00 p.m. Low Mass
8:30 a.m. Low Mass 2:00 p.m. Vespers
10:30 a.m. Sung Mass

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

8:00 a.m. Low Mass

Wednesday

8:00 a.m. Low Mass
8:45 a.m. Holy Hour

Friday

8:00 a.m. Low Mass
5:30 p.m. Exposition & Benediction
6:30 p.m. Low Mass

Saturday

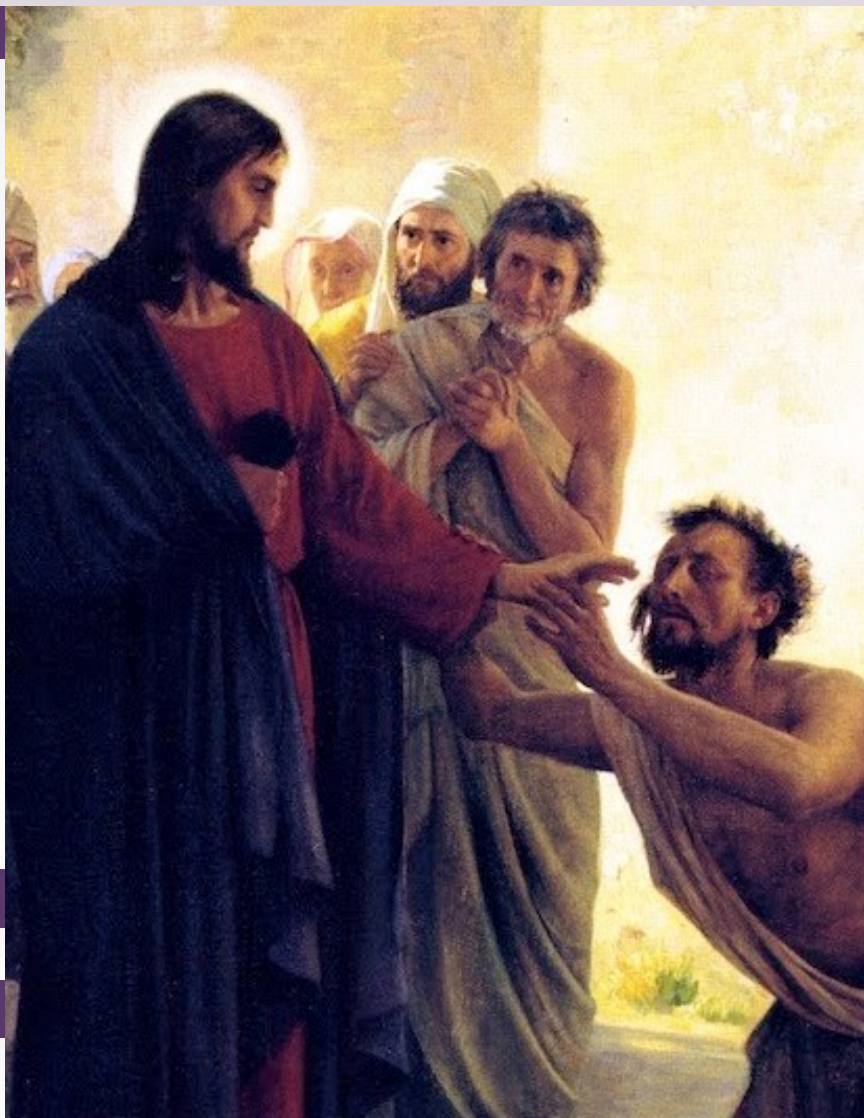
9:00 a.m. Low Mass

First Saturday

7:00 a.m. Low Mass
8:00 a.m. Exposition & Benediction
9:00 a.m. Low Mass

Holy Days of Obligation

Please check the bulletin one week in advance.



Confession

30 minutes prior to each Mass

Baptism & Wedding Preparation

Call the parish office
(at least 6 months in advance for weddings)

Priests

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Saint Joseph, foster-father of our Lord Jesus Christ and the spouse of Mary the Virgin, pray for us.

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

March 2, 2025

To those who dream only of prosperity and earthly glory, the language of the Cross is incomprehensible. Those who have a purely material ideal of life find it very difficult to understand any spiritual significance, and especially that of suffering. To human wisdom, suffering is incomprehensible; it is disconcerting; it can lead one to murmur against divine Providence and even to lose all trust in God. However, according to the wisdom of God, suffering is a means of salvation and redemption.

INTROIT *Psalm 30:3, 4*

Be Thou unto me a God, a Protector, and a house of refuge, to save me: for Thou art my strength and my refuge: and for Thy Name's sake Thou wilt lead me, and nourish me. Psalm. In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped, let me never be confounded: deliver me in Thy justice, and save me. *V.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.—Be thou . . .

COLLECT

We beseech Thee, O Lord, graciously hear our prayers: and releasing us from the bonds of our sins, guard us from all adversity. Through our Lord . . .

EPISTLE *I Corinthians 13:1–13*

Brethren: If I speak with the tongues of men and of Angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And if I should have prophecy, and should know all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I should have all faith so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And if I should distribute all my goods to feed the poor, and if I should deliver my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profits me nothing. Charity is patient, is kind: charity envies not, deals not perversely, is not puffed up, is not ambitious, seeks not her own, is not provoked to anger, thinketh no evil, rejoices not in iniquity, but rejoices with the truth: bears all things, believeth all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Charity never falls away: whether prophecies shall be made void, or tongues shall cease, or knowledge shall be destroyed. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child. But when I became a man, I put away the things of a child. We see now through a glass in a dark manner: but then face to face. Now I know in part: but then I shall know even as I am known. And now there remain faith, hope, and charity, these three: but the greatest of these is charity.

GRADUAL *Psalm 76:15, 16*

Thou art the God that alone dost wonders: Thou hast made Thy power known among the nations. With Thine arm Thou hast delivered Thy people, the children of Israel and of Joseph.

TRACT *Psalm 99:1, 2*

Sing joyfully to God, all the earth: serve ye the Lord with gladness. Come in before His presence with exceeding great

joy: know ye that the Lord He is God. He made us, and not we ourselves: but we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

GOSPEL *Luke 18:31–43*

At that time Jesus took unto Him the twelve and said to them: Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things shall be accomplished which were written by the Prophets concerning the Son of Man. For He shall be delivered to the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and scourged, and spit upon: and after they have scourged Him, they will put Him to death, and the third day He shall rise again. And they understood none of those things, and this word was hid from them, and they understood not the things that were said. Now it came to pass, when He drew nigh to Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the wayside, begging. And when he heard the multitude passing by, he asked what this meant. And they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. And he cried out, saying: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me. And they that went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace. But he cried out much more: Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus standing, commanded him to be brought unto Him. And when he was come near, He asked him, saying: What wilt thou that I do to thee? But he said: Lord, that I may see. And Jesus said to him: Receive thy sight, thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he saw and followed Him, glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.—
Creed.

OFFERTORY *Psalm 118:12, 13*

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, teach me Thy justifications: with my lips I have pronounced all the judgments of Thy mouth.

SECRET

May these Offerings, we beseech Thee, O Lord, cleanse us from our sins: and by sanctifying Thy servants in body and mind, make them fit to celebrate this Sacrifice. Through our Lord . . .

COMMUNION *Psalm 77:29–30*

They did eat, and were filled exceedingly, and the Lord gave them their desire: they were not defrauded of that which they craved.

POST COMMUNION

We beseech Thee, almighty God, that we, who have received this heavenly Food, may be safeguarded by it against all adversity. Through our Lord Jesus Christ who liveth and . . .

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

	Father O'Brien	Father Kasak
Sun. March 2 Quinquagesima Sunday	Pro Populo	Priest's Intention
Mon. March 3 Feria	Priest's Intention	Candelarin Family
Tues. March 4 St. Casimir	+Dallas & +Victoria Dudschus	Priest's Intention
Wed. March 5 Ash Wednesday	+Rosemary Delaney	Kuhn Family
Thur. March 6 Feria of Lent	Kristin Garvich	Sam Wells
Fri. March 7 Feria of Lent	Li Ay Yen	Nina-Andrea Blas
Sat. March 8 Feria of Lent	Raymond A. Quinata	Mary P. Quinata

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

COLLECTION

Sunday, February 23: \$9,923.50

March 5—ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday, March 5, is Ash Wednesday. A Sung Mass will be offered at 8:00 a.m. Low Masses will be offered at 12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The blessing of ashes will take place before the first Mass on Ash Wednesday, March 2. Ashes will be distributed at the beginning of each Mass. Please be on time.

March 17-19—LENTEN SPIRITUAL CONFERENCES

Lenten Spiritual Conferences will be offered by Fr. Quirke, FSSP, from Monday, March 17, through Wednesday, March 19. Each evening will begin with 6:30 p.m. Mass, followed by a talk.

March 19—ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR



We will have a St. Joseph's Altar on Wednesday, March 19, in the hall beneath the Church. You can bring flowers, bread, pasta, fish, etc. Bread can be from the store or homemade symbolic shapes. We will bless the items on the St. Joseph altar on the 19th following Mass. After the blessing, anyone may take items from the altar; the leftovers will be given to the poor. In this way, we give thanks to Almighty God for His continued care over His flock. See the poster for additional information and ideas.

THE LAWS OF FAST & ABSTINENCE

The current practice of fast and abstinence falls under the code of Canon Law. The law of abstinence begins on one's fourteenth birthday and is not lifted due to older age. **The days of abstinence are Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.** The law obliges abstention from flesh meat. Days of penance apply to all the Faithful and include the season of Lent and Fridays outside of Lent. The practice for **the laws of Fasting** applies to everyone aged 18-59, inclusive. One full meal is permitted and two other meals may be taken which, when combined, are less than a full meal. **The days of fast are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.** The obligation to do penance is lifted on Fridays which are also celebrated as a solemnity.

THE LITTLE FLOWERS' ANNUAL PREGNANCY AID SUPPLY DRIVE

The Little Flowers' annual Pregnancy Aid Tacoma Supply Drive will take place from March 1-19. A donation bin will be set up in the basement hallway. Items must be clean, new, or gently. Please take a flyer or see the poster for donation suggestions.

CARMELITE PRAYER GROUP

All adult parishioners are invited to join Will Bennett in learning more about the essentials of Carmelite prayer and spirituality. Beginning March 15, we will gather for 30 minutes on the third Saturday of each month following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please see the parish news for more information.

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN MOTHERS DAY OF RECOLLECTION

All women of the parish are invited to the Confraternity of Christian Mothers' Day of Recollection on Saturday, March 8. The day will begin with 9:00 a.m. Mass and will end around 1:00 p.m. Following Mass, participants are invited to the church hall (a.k.a. the church basement). The day will include two talks given by Fr. O'Brien and Fr. Kasak, respectively. Lunch will be provided.

MORNING STAR GIRLS' CAMP

All girls of St. Joseph and North American Martyrs, ages 11 - 17, are invited to the third annual Morning Star Girls' Camp from June 8 to 12. For information please scan the QR code or visit saintjoseph_tacoma.org/girlscamp. Registration opens February 23.



CAMP ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

All boys of St. Joseph and North American Martyrs, ages 11 - 17, are invited to the fourth annual Camp St. John the Baptist from June 10 to 14. For information please scan the QR code or visit saintjoseph_tacoma.org/sjbcamp. Registration opens February 23.



Join the St. Joseph's
Little Flowers

in our annual lenten supply drive for the
Pregnancy Aid of Tacoma and Des Moines

Especially Needed
Diapers size NB, & 2, 4-6
baby wipes
toddler clothes 2-5T

Items Needed New or clean & gently used

Infant, toddler & maternity/nursing clothes;
Diaper bags; Baby gear and supplies

Other suggested items:

- Diaper cream
- nursing pillows
- Baby shampoo
- Burp cloths
- nursing supplies
- Baby soap
- Swaddlers
- nursing covers
- childrens' coats
- Scratch Mittens
- Car seats & boosters
- 2 gallon sized ziploc bags
- Strollers
- Pack-n-plays
- baby care kits
- toys and books
- Sippy cups/bottles

Donation drop-off: Bin set-up in
St. Joseph Hall (a.k.a. Basement) from
March 1st - March 19th

*"I say to you, as long as you did to to one of these
my least brethren, you did it to me."*

Matthew 25:40

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We will have a St. Joseph's Altar on Wednesday, March 19, in the hall beneath the Church. You can bring bread, pasta, or fish. Bread can be from the store or homemade into symbolic shapes:

The Latin Cross: The ultimate symbol of our Lord's suffering and salvation.

The Bambino: The baby Jesus to whom St. Joseph was foster father.

St. Joseph's Staff: Legend has it that St. Joseph's staff blossomed into a lily, a symbol both of life and death.

St. Joseph's Purse: This symbol is a reminder to give alms to the poor during Lent.

A Sheaf of Wheat: Wheat is a reminder that, when a single, tiny grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it bears much more food at harvest time – and that the early spring harvest of greens is almost here.

St. Joseph himself: St. Joseph is usually represented by a lily due to the legend mentioned above.

St. Joseph's Beard: This is actually just the Sheaf of Wheat turned upside down, but young children delight when their fathers and grandfathers hold their beard up to their face. It is another reminder of Joseph's wisdom.

Heart: A symbol of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary that flourished throughout Italy in general and Sicily in particular in the 19th century.

The Crown of Thorns: This is in remembrance of Christ's passion and a reminder that, despite the day's feasting among Lent's fasting, Lent is still a season of sorrow – but of hope, too!

As this comes from a Sicilian custom, any Italian deserts can also be placed on the table.



Constituit eum dominum domus suae.

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Ite ad Joseph!



MORNING STAR GIRLS' CAMP

The Morning Star Girls' Camp is designed to provide a wholesome, fun, safe, and enriching environment for girls to explore, learn, and grow in their love for the Faith and God.



June 8-12



All Saints Camp, Gig Harbor

**All Saints Camp
205 Camp Rd NW,
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Register February 23 - May 1
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Questions: parish@saintjoseph_tacoma.org



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Young Men
Ages 11-17**

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July 1 - 3, 2025

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4:00 p.m. Check Out



WOMEN'S RETREAT Union with Christ

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Fr. Timothy O'Brien, FSSP

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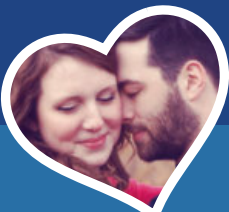
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