

GATHER

OLG's Youth and Young Adult Ministry is Expanding

We are happy to be expanding our youth and young adult ministry in the parish. If you would like to be part of these ministries (participant or leader), please contact Jennifer (jibach@olgseattle.org). Be sure to connect with us to get the latest news. Follow us on Instagram (<https://www.instagram.com/olgparishseattle/>) and/or Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/olgparishseattle/>). We also have a Facebook group for Young Adults (OLG Seattle Young Adults). We encourage all young adults (ages 18-39) to register with the parish, especially if we're still communicating with you via your parents (<https://www.olgseattle.org/register-in-our-community>). Look for more information soon!

GIVE

Support the Welcome Table Meal Program

The Welcome Table serves lunch to neighbors in need in the White Center area every Saturday at noon at The Body of Christ Church (1320 SW 102nd St). In addition, snacks, toiletries, and clothing are handed out. Support the meal by donating non-perishable food (cereal, shelf-stable milk, protein, canned fruit, soup, etc.). They also need household cleaning supplies, deodorant, shampoo, toilet paper, men's shoes and clothing, masks, backpacks and duffel bags. Drop off donations between 11-11:30am in the back parking lot before guests arrive. Volunteers will unload it for you!

LEARN

Safe Parking Update

It is hard to believe we are almost six months into our Safe Parking "Road to Housing" program! Our last two guests have recently moved on, one to another town and the other into their very own "Tiny Home". Thank you for your support of this program. Having a safe place to be each night (as well as access to a toilet, microwave, fridge, food, and heat) provides some relief for our parkers and gives them a little more bandwidth to focus on their next steps. We are happy to play a small role in their journey to safe, stable housing. Thank you for making it possible!

Solidarity Across Borders/Solidaridad sin Fronteras

We are a community and only in a community can we move forward without leaving anyone behind. Jesuit partners throughout Central America and North America have launched a new campaign to promote solidarity and hospitality and grow in empathy for refugees and people in migration in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. Visit jesuitmigrantsolidarity.org for testimonies, prayers, educational materials, action alerts, and more.

A Matter of Spirit: Elections 2020

The Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center's recent journal, *A Matter of Spirit* (AMOS), focuses on the 2020 Elections. AMOS is a quarterly justice journal with analysis, theological reflection, and action on justice issues. Take a look at the recent edition to help you reflect before the November election: <https://www.ipjc.org/a-matter-of-spirit/>

We the People and the Primacy of Conscience Series

Looking for more resources to help you prepare for the November election? Seattle U's Institute of Catholic Thought and Culture held a series drawing on the best from our Constitution and our Catholic Tradition to enhance our democratic participation. In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in the political life is a moral obligation. The series explored key issues to consider and discern, and why we are called to vote and stay involved in the political process. Watch archived videos and access resources here: <https://www.seattleu.edu/ictc/current-conversations/we-the-people-and-the-primacy-of-conscience/>

ACT

Catholic Relief Services: Supporting Refugees around the World

Sunday, September 27 is the 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Pope Francis chose "Forced like Jesus Christ to flee" as this year's theme in order to focus on the pastoral care of internally displaced peoples. Today, more than 70 million people worldwide have been forcibly displaced from their homes. Catholic Relief Services works with many

refugees around the world, providing education, shelter, hygiene, food, and more. You can support these families too by taking action to support nutrition and early education through the Global Child Thrive Act. Visit www.crs.org/get-involved/lead-way for a pre-written, editable action alert. Two minutes can help change lives around the world!

Stop Federal Executions

The federal government has resumed federal executions for the first time in 17 years. Five people have been killed, more than doubling the total number of executions during the 57 year prior to 2020. As Pope Francis has made clear, the death penalty is inadmissible as an affront to the Gospel and the dignity of human life. The Catholic bishops have expressed their opposition to the death penalty for decades and are again raising their voices since federal executions were announced. Join your voice to theirs using a pre-written, editable action alert at <https://www.votervoice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/75878/Respond> You can also join in Virtual Vigils before the next scheduled execution on September 22 and/or 23. Register at <https://catholicismobilizing.org/virtual-vigils>